

RACCA's position on natural refrigerants



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- RACCA—Who we are.
- All refrigerants have a risk of danger if they are not handled by competent people.
- Employers need to prioritise both the safety of employees and the environment.
- Natural refrigerants will grow in the future as end-users require more environmentally friendly equipment.
- An independent and highly competent certifier should approve retrofits to a hydrocarbon.



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RACCA's work alongside the industry:

• Reference manuals for training

 RACCA Taking Natural Refrigerants to Regional NSW project

• Targeting Skills Needs in Regions program

RACCA NSW's partnership with TAFE NSW



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The competency of technicians in the use of natural refrigerants

• Attracting the younger age group to the industry

• The current environmental licence under the ARC



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- Embraces any new refrigerant that is better for the environment and can be used safely by competent technicians.
- Would like to see the standard of apprentices raised and for our industry to get the recognition it deserves, so it can attract a better standard of participants.
- Would like to see ARC cover occupational as well as environmental licences.
- Would like to see independent and highly competent certifiers engaged to approve retrofitting systems to hydrocarbons.
- Would like to see that no system is retrofitted if it increases the risk of danger.



