

# SAFETY ALERT

ARTC NSW No. 4



## DETONATORS – SAFE STORAGE

Several recent incidents of “break-ins” of ARTC depots and work vehicles, has resulted in detonators being stolen.

Any detonators that have been stolen are to be reported to the Police.

Detonators in the wrong hands are extremely dangerous.

In one instance of detonators being stolen, Workcover have become involved. There is a possibility that ARTC will be fined for failing to properly secure detonators.

In the instances where the detonators have been stolen, they have not been properly secured.

### Action:

- All detonators are to be “double locked”. That is, the detonators are to be in a lockable metal container. That metal container is then to be placed inside another locked location. This can be in a locked vehicle, a locked container on a vehicle, a locked box/cupboard inside a locked depot. If practical, the metal container can be secured to the floor or cupboard in the depot or vehicle.
- The metal containers storing the detonators are to be clearly labelled:

### ***EXPLOSIVE***

### ***Class 1.4s – not liable to explode in bulk***

- A register is to be kept inside the metal container to record the issue and use of detonators on a daily basis. A note-book size register is currently being developed.
- The number of detonators kept on hand, to reflect general requirements. That is surplus detonators to be returned to depot.
- All employees to be advised of this incident