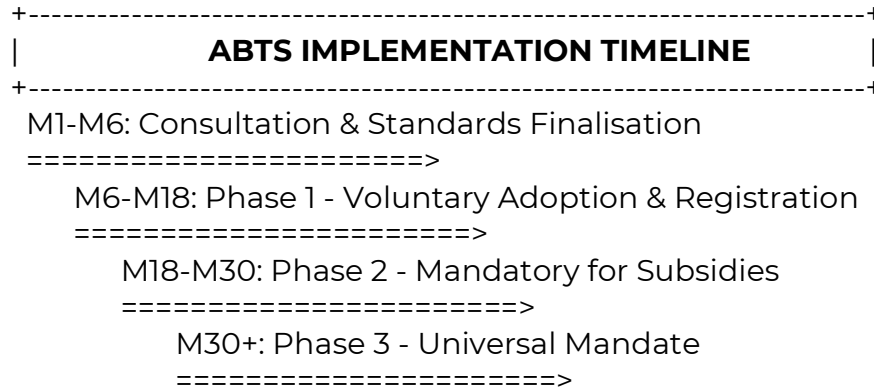


## ABTS IMPLEMENTATION ROADMAP

The deployment of the ABTS framework uses a 36-month phased execution timeline to allow international supply chains, testing facilities, and installers to adapt without market disruption or artificial constraints on battery availability.



### Months 1 to 6: Regulatory Development and Consultation

- Establish the Standards Australia technical committee for *AS/NZS ABTS:2026*.
- Complete the 90-day public feedback loop with the Clean Energy Council, ACCC, and international battery original equipment manufacturers (OEMs).
- Finalize the NATA testing guidelines for thermal degradation and gas chromatography profiling.

### Months 6 to 18: Phase 1 – Voluntary Adoption & Laboratory Readiness

- Launch the Clean Energy Regulator National Battery Registry platform.
- Open voluntary registration for manufacturers, allowing compliant systems to carry the ABTS digital and physical label as a premium marketing distinction.
- Provide federal grant funding to fast-track the establishment of domestic NATA-accredited battery testing chambers.

### Months 18 to 30: Phase 2 – Mandatory Nexus for Government Subsidies

- Enact the state and federal rebate amendments outlined in Part 10.
- Compliance with the ABTS label metrics becomes an absolute prerequisite for any installation receiving state or federal tax credits, rebates, or VPP integration incentives.

### Month 30 and Beyond: Phase 3 – Universal Market Mandate

- Enact the *Clean Energy Regulator Amendment (Battery Transparency) Bill 2026* as universal law.
- It becomes an offense under the Act to import, distribute, or install any non-compliant stationary battery within the Commonwealth of Australia, completing the transition to a safe and transparent marketplace.