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NBN Fibre Upgrades: 130,000 Premises Lose Copper

NBN Co will move around 130,000 premises off ageing copper onto full fibre, or cut them off. First disconnections are expected from January 2028, and from July 2026 another 600,000 premises became eligible for free fibre.

NBN Co is retiring Australia's ageing copper. Under a new **Targeted Upgrade** program, around **130,000 premises** still on **FTTN and FTTC** will be moved to full **fibre-to-the-premises (FTTP)**, or eventually **disconnected**. Eligible premises are expected to get a formal notice from around **July 2027** with a **six-month window** to request a **free** upgrade; non-responders face copper suspension with the **first cut-offs from January 2028**, then a rollout of ~20,000 premises a month. Separately, from **July 2026** around **600,000 more FTTC premises** became eligible for on-demand fibre after a speed-tier rule was dropped. The lesson for business: **anything still tied to copper is on a countdown**.

■ The short version

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■ Key points

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This is the summary. The guide has the detail.

Every point above is worked through in full on our site, with the Australian context, the numbers and the exceptions. If you would rather talk it through, call **1300 881 662** or visit **unidenvoice.com/get-started**.