

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

ALCOHOL HARM REDUCTION AMENDMENT (BANNED DRINKER  
ORDERS) ACT 2025

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Act No. 38 of 2025

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An Act to amend the *Alcohol Harm Reduction Act 2017*

[Assented to 5 December 2025]

[Introduced 27 November 2025]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

## **1 Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Alcohol Harm Reduction Amendment (Banned Drinker Orders) Act 2025*.

## **2 Commencement**

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), this Act commences on the day fixed by the Administrator by *Gazette* notice.
- (2) If a provision of this Act does not commence before 22 November 2027, it commences on that day.

## **3 Act amended**

This Act amends the *Alcohol Harm Reduction Act 2017*.

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**4 Section 4 amended (Definitions)**

Section 4, definition **7 day police BDO**

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*insert*

**28**

**5 Section 11 amended (Period of BDO)**

Section 11(1AA)

*omit (all references)*

**7**

*insert*

**28**

**6 Part 9 inserted**

After section 54

*insert*

**Part 9 Transitional matters for Alcohol Harm Reduction Amendment (Banned Drinker Orders) Act 2025****55 7 day police BDOs made before commencement**

- (1) This section applies in relation to a 7 day police BDO that is in force immediately before the commencement.
- (2) The BDO continues in force for the period for which it was made.
- (3) Sections 9B and 9C, as amended by the amending Act, apply in relation to the BDO as if the BDO were a 28 day police BDO.

*Example for subsection (3)*

*If, after the commencement, a police officer believes on reasonable grounds that an adult who is subject to a 7 day police BDO has contravened the BDO, the police officer must make a 28 day police BDO under section 9B(1)(a), subject to section 9B(2).*

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(4) In this section:

***amending Act*** means the *Alcohol Harm Reduction Amendment (Banned Drinker Orders) Act 2025*.

***commencement*** means the commencement of the amending Act.

**7 Act further amended**

The Schedule has effect.

**8 Repeal of Act**

This Act is repealed on the day after it commences.

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**Schedule Act further amended**

section 7

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Provision	Amendment	
	<i>omit</i>	<i>insert</i>
sections 9A and 9B, heading	<b>7</b>	<b>28</b>
section 9B(1)	7 <i>(all references)</i>	28
section 9C, heading	<b>7</b>	<b>28</b>
section 9C	7 <i>(all references)</i>	28

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