

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA
TERRITORY WILDLIFE AMENDMENT (INFRINGEMENT NOTICES)
REGULATIONS 2007

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Territory Wildlife Amendment (Infringement Notices) Regulations 2007

I, EDWARD JOSEPH EGAN, the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act*.

Dated 31 January 2007.

E. J. EGAN
Administrator

By His Honour's Command

P. R. HENDERSON
Minister for Employment, Education and Training
acting for the
Minister for Parks and Wildlife

* Notified in the *Northern Territory Government Gazette* on 7 February 2007.

1. Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Territory Wildlife Amendment (Infringement Notices) Regulations 2007*.

2. Regulations amended

These Regulations amend the *Territory Wildlife Regulations*.

3. New Part 1 heading

Before regulation 1

insert

PART 1 – PRELIMINARY MATTERS

4. Amendment of regulation 1 (Citation)

Regulation 1

omit

Territory Wildlife Regulations

substitute

Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Regulations

5. New regulation 1A

After regulation 1

insert

1A. Definitions

In these Regulations:

"infringement notice", see regulation 7;

"infringement offence", means an offence against a provision of the Act specified in Schedule 3, column 1;

"prescribed amount", for an infringement offence, means the amount specified in Schedule 3, column 2 opposite the offence provision.

6. New Part 2 heading

After regulation 1A

insert

PART 2 – ANIMALS AND PLANTS

7. Repeal and substitution of regulation 7

Regulation 7

repeal, substitute

PART 3 – INFRINGEMENT NOTICES

7. When infringement notice for infringement offence may be served

If a conservation officer reasonably believes a person has committed an infringement offence, the officer may serve a notice (an "infringement notice") on the person.

8. Contents of infringement notice

(1) The infringement notice must specify the following particulars:

- (a) the name and address of the alleged offender, if known;
- (b) the date of the infringement notice;
- (c) the date, time and place of the infringement offence;
- (d) a description of the infringement offence and the prescribed amount payable for the offence;
- (e) the enforcement agency, as defined in the *Fines and Penalties (Recovery) Act*, to whom the prescribed amount is payable.

(2) An infringement notice must include a statement to the effect of the following:

- (a) the alleged offender may expiate the infringement offence and avoid further action in relation to the offence by paying the prescribed amount to the specified enforcement agency within 28 days after service of the notice;
- (b) the alleged offender may elect under section 21 of the *Fines and Penalties (Recovery) Act* to have the matter dealt with by a court instead of under that Act by completing a statement of election and serving it on the specified enforcement agency;

- (c) if the alleged offender does nothing in response to the notice, enforcement action may be taken under the *Fines and Penalties (Recovery) Act* including (but not limited to) action for the following:
 - (i) suspension of the alleged offender's licence to drive;
 - (ii) suspension of the alleged offender's vehicle registration;
 - (iii) seizure of personal property of the alleged offender;
 - (iv) deduction of an amount from the alleged offender's wages or salary;
 - (v) registration of a statutory charge on land owned by the alleged offender;
 - (vi) making of a community work order for the alleged offender which may result in imprisonment of the alleged offender if the alleged offender breaches the order.

(3) Also, the infringement notice must include the statement of election mentioned in subregulation (2)(b).

9. Payment by cheque

If the alleged offender tenders a cheque in payment of the prescribed amount, the amount is not taken to have been paid unless the cheque is cleared on first presentation.

10. Withdrawal of infringement notice

(1) The Director may withdraw the infringement notice by written notice served on the alleged offender.

(2) The notice must be served within 28 days after service of the infringement notice but before payment of the prescribed amount.

11. Application of Part

(1) This Part does not prejudice or affect the start or continuing of proceedings for an infringement offence for which an infringement notice has been served unless the offence is expiated.

(2) Also, this Part does not prevent more than one infringement notice for the same infringement offence being served on an alleged offender and, to expiate the offence, it is sufficient for the alleged offender to pay the prescribed amount in accordance with any of the notices.

- (3) In addition, this Part does not:
- (a) require an infringement notice to be served; or
 - (b) affect the liability of a person to be prosecuted in a court for an infringement offence for which an infringement notice has not been served.

8. Repeal and substitution of Schedule 3

Schedule 3

repeal, substitute

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 1A, definitions "infringement offence" and "prescribed amount"

INFRINGEMENT OFFENCES AND PRESCRIBED AMOUNTS

Column 1	Column 2
Offence provision	Prescribed amount
Section 40(3)	2 penalty units
Section 46(2)	5 penalty units
Section 49(2)	10 penalty units
Section 67A	10 penalty units
Section 67B	10 penalty units
Section 67C(3)	2 penalty units
Section 67D	3 penalty units
Section 69	1 penalty unit