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Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008

**An Act for the identification and management of cats and dogs
and the registration of dogs**

Chapter 1 Preliminary

Part 1 Introduction

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008*.

2 Commencement

- (1) The provisions of this Act, other than the following, commence on 1 July 2009—
 - the provisions mentioned in subsection (2)
 - section 227.
- (2) The following provisions commence on a day to be fixed by proclamation—
 - section 172(1) and (2)
 - section 173(1) to (3)
 - sections 174 to 176.

Part 2 **Purposes and application of Act**

Division 1 **Purposes**

3 **Purposes of Act**

The purposes of this Act are to—

- (a) provide for the identification of cats and dogs; and
- (b) provide for the registration of dogs; and
- (c) provide for the effective management of regulated dogs; and
- (d) promote the responsible ownership of cats and dogs; and

Note—

For the welfare of animals generally, see the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*.

- (e) promote the responsible breeding of dogs; and
- (f) prohibit the ownership of and particular dealings with dogs of particular breeds.

4 **How purposes are to be primarily achieved**

The purposes are to be primarily achieved by the following—

- (a) imposing obligations about identification devices for cats and dogs on their owners, sellers, authorised implanters and operators of pounds or shelters;
- (b) imposing obligations on owners and veterinary surgeons about tattooing cats and dogs for desexing;
- (c) imposing registration obligations on dog breeders;
- (d) regulating the supply of dogs and the advertising of dogs for supply;

- (e) providing for the sharing of information about dog breeders with particular agencies and entities that are responsible for animal welfare;
- (f) imposing registration obligations on dog owners;
- (g) imposing obligations on regulated dog owners;
- (h) providing for the chief executive to establish a breeder register and regulated dog register;
- (i) prohibiting ownership of dogs of particular breeds;
- (j) appointing authorised persons to exercise effective control of dogs in particular circumstances and investigate, monitor and enforce compliance with this Act;
- (k) requiring those who may provide PPID registry services to be licensed and imposing obligations on licensees;
- (l) requiring local governments to keep a general register about dogs;
- (m) imposing obligations on particular persons to exercise effective control of dogs in particular circumstances and ensure dogs do not attack or cause fear;
- (n) prohibiting anyone from allowing or encouraging a dog to attack or cause fear to people or other animals.

Division 2 Application

5 Act binds all persons

- (1) This Act binds all persons, including the State, and, so far as the legislative power of the Parliament permits, the Commonwealth and the other States.
- (2) However, the Commonwealth or a State can not be prosecuted for an offence against this Act.

6 Relationship with local laws

- (1) This Act does not prevent a local law from imposing requirements in relation to cats or dogs generally.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), a local government may make a local law—
 - (a) prohibiting anyone in its local government area, other than an exempted person, from possessing a dog of a particular breed; or
 - (b) imposing registration obligations on owners of cats.
- (3) Subject to subsection (2), if this Act and a local law are inconsistent about a requirement, the local law is invalid to the extent of the inconsistency.
- (4) This section applies for a local law whenever it was made.
- (5) In this section—

breed includes crossbreed of a breed.

exempted person means an authorised person exercising functions or powers under this Act or a local law.

local law includes a subordinate local law.

prohibits includes a prohibition that does not provide for a penalty if the prohibition is contravened.

7 Act does not affect other rights or remedies

- (1) Subject to sections 41 and 103, this Act does not limit a civil right or remedy that exists apart from this Act, whether at common law or otherwise.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), compliance with this Act does not necessarily show that a civil obligation that exists apart from this Act has been satisfied or has not been breached.
- (3) In addition, a breach of an obligation under this Act does not, of itself, give rise to an action for breach of statutory duty or another civil right or remedy.

Part 3 Interpretation

Division 1 Dictionary

8 Definitions

The dictionary in schedule 2 defines particular words used in this Act.

Division 2 Key definitions

9 Who is an *owner* of a cat or dog

- (1) Each person as follows is an *owner* of a cat or dog—
 - (a) a person who is—
 - (i) the registered owner of the dog; or
 - (ii) if a local government makes a local law requiring cats to be registered—identified as the owner of the cat under the local law;
 - (b) a person who owns the cat or dog, in the sense of it being the person's personal property;
 - (c) a person who usually keeps the cat or dog, including through an agent, employee or anyone else;
 - (d) if a person mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) is a child—a parent or guardian of the child.
- (2) For subsection (1)(c), a person does not usually keep a cat or dog—
 - (a) merely because the person occupies a place at which the cat or dog is kept if someone else who is an adult and lives at the place keeps it; or
 - (b) if the person keeps the cat or dog as an employee of someone else and the person is acting within the scope of the employment; or

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- (c) merely because the person is an inspector under the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001* or is performing functions, or exercising powers, in that capacity under that Act.
- (3) If a person owns a female cat or dog and the female has offspring, the person is taken to be the offspring's **owner** immediately after its birth.

10 Who is a **responsible person** for a dog

- (1) A person is a **responsible person** for a dog if—
 - (a) the person, or the person's employee acting within the scope of the employment, has immediate control or custody of the dog; or
 - (b) the person is the parent or guardian of a child who has immediate control or custody of the dog; or
 - (c) the person occupies the place at which the dog is usually kept.
- (2) However, a person is not a responsible person for the dog—
 - (a) merely because the person occupies a place at which the dog is usually kept if someone else who is an adult and lives at the place keeps the dog; or
 - (b) if the person has the control or custody of or keeps the dog as an employee of someone else and the person is acting within the scope of the employment.

11 What is a **cat** or **dog**

- (1) A **cat** is an animal of the species *Felis catus*, or domestic cat.
- (2) A **dog** is an animal of the species *Canis lupus familiaris*, or domestic dog.

12 Identification devices under Act

- (1) A *prescribed permanent identification device* or *PPID* is a microchip or other electronic device that—
 - (a) is capable of being permanently implanted in a cat or dog; and
 - (b) is designed to record information in a way that can be electronically retrieved; and
 - (c) complies with the requirements prescribed by regulation for the device.
- (2) A *registration device* is a device, to help identify a dog, decided by a resolution of the relevant local government for the dog.

Example of a registration device—

a tag for the collar of a dog

12A When a person *breeds* a dog

- (1) A person *breeds* a dog if the dog is born to a female dog that is usually kept by the person, including through an agent, employee or anyone else.
- (2) However, if the person who usually keeps the female dog is a child, the dog born to the female dog is taken to have been bred by a parent or guardian of the child.
- (3) For subsections (1) and (2), it is irrelevant whether the person or, if the person is a child, a parent or guardian of the person intends to keep the dog or supply it to another person.

Chapter 2 Identification of cats and dogs

Part 1 Prescribed permanent identification devices

Division 1 Obligation on owner of cat or dog

14 Owner must ensure cat or dog is implanted

- (1) A person who is or becomes an owner of a cat or dog that is not implanted with a PPID must ensure the cat or dog is implanted with a PPID before it is 12 weeks old unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

Note—

A cat or dog that is more than 12 weeks old on the commencement of this section need not be implanted with a PPID unless it is supplied. See section 43Y.

- (2) It is a defence to a prosecution for an offence against subsection (1) for the defendant to prove—
- (a) there is a signed veterinary surgeon's certificate for the cat or dog stating that implanting it with a PPID is likely to be a serious risk to the health of the cat or dog; or
 - (b) for a dog, the ownership is to use it as—
 - (i) a government entity dog; or
 - (ii) a working dog; or
 - (iii) another class of dog prescribed under a regulation.

16 Notice of changed PPID information

- (1) This section applies if PPID information for a cat or dog changes (the *changed information*).

- (2) The owner of the cat or dog must, within 7 days, give notice of the changed information to a licence holder unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—5 penalty units.

Note—

The licence holder must electronically update the information within 7 days after receiving it. See section 36(2).

Division 3 Implanting PPIDs

Subdivision 1 General restriction

21 Only authorised implanter may implant PPID

A person, other than an authorised implanter, must not implant a PPID in a cat or dog.

Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.

Subdivision 2 Requirements for authorised implanters

22 Electronic identification device that is not a PPID must not be implanted

An authorised implanter must not implant an electronic identification device that is not a PPID into a cat or dog.

Maximum penalty—60 penalty units.

23 Requirements for PPID

Before an authorised implanter implants a PPID in a cat or dog, the authorised implanter must ensure the PPID—

- (a) stores the unique identification number for the PPID;
and

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- (b) complies with the requirements prescribed under a regulation.

Maximum penalty—40 penalty units.

24 Age restriction for implanting PPID

- (1) An authorised implanter must not implant a PPID in a cat or dog that is less than 8 weeks old, unless—
 - (a) the implanter has a reasonable excuse; or
 - (b) the implanter is a veterinary surgeon who considers implanting the PPID is not likely to be a serious risk to the health of the cat or dog; or
 - (c) there is a signed veterinary surgeon's certificate for the cat or dog stating that implanting the PPID when it is less than 8 weeks old is not likely to be a serious risk to the health of the cat or dog.

Maximum penalty—60 penalty units.

- (2) It is a reasonable excuse if the cat or dog's owner advised the implanter that it was 8 weeks or older.

25 PPID information must be given to licence holder

- (1) This section applies to an authorised implanter who implants a PPID in a cat or dog.
- (2) The authorised implanter must, within 7 days, give notice to a licence holder providing a PPID registry service relating to the cat or dog stating—
 - (a) that it has been implanted with a PPID; and
 - (b) the unique identification number for the PPID.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

Note—

See also section 37 for the identifying information or PPID information that an authorised implanter may give to particular persons.

26 PPID information must be kept

- (1) This section applies to an authorised implanter who has, under section 25, given notice to a licence holder.
- (2) The authorised implanter must keep the PPID information for the cat or dog for 1 year after the cat or dog is implanted unless the implanter has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) It is a reasonable excuse if the PPID information is destroyed by fire, flood or storm.

Subdivision 3 Regulation of authorised implanters

27 Chief executive may suspend or prohibit

If the chief executive reasonably believes a ground under section 28 exists in relation to an authorised implanter, the chief executive may, by complying with sections 29 to 33, take the following action (the *proposed action*) against the implanter—

- (a) prohibit the implanter from implanting PPIDs in cats or dogs for a stated period (*suspension*);
- (b) prohibit the implanter from implanting PPIDs in cats or dogs indefinitely (*prohibition*).

28 Grounds for suspension or prohibition

Each of the following is a ground for section 27—

- (a) giving the chief executive or a licence holder false or misleading information relating to the performance of functions under this Act;
- (b) a failure to comply with this part.

29 Show cause notice

- (1) The chief executive must give the implanter a notice under this section (a *show cause notice*).
- (2) The show cause notice must state—
 - (a) the proposed action; and
 - (b) the grounds for the proposed action; and
 - (c) an outline of the facts and circumstances forming the basis for the grounds; and
 - (d) if the proposed action is suspension—the proposed suspension period; and
 - (e) that the implanter may, within a stated period (the *show cause period*), make written representations to the chief executive why the proposed action should not be taken.
- (3) The show cause period must be a period ending at least 21 days after the show cause notice is given to the implanter.

30 Representations about show cause notice

- (1) The implanter may, within the show cause period, make written representations to the chief executive about why the proposed action should not be taken.
- (2) The chief executive must consider all representations (the *accepted representations*) made under subsection (1).

31 Ending show cause process without further action

- (1) This section applies if, after considering the accepted representations, the chief executive no longer believes a ground exists to take the proposed action.
- (2) The chief executive must not take any further action about the show cause notice.
- (3) The chief executive must give the implanter a notice stating that the proposed action will not be taken.

32 Suspension or prohibition

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) there are accepted representations and, after considering them, the chief executive still believes a ground exists to take the proposed action; or
 - (b) there are no accepted representations.
- (2) If the chief executive believes suspension or prohibition of the implanter is warranted, the chief executive may—
 - (a) if the proposed action was suspension—suspend the implanter for no longer than the stated period; or
 - (b) if the proposed action was prohibition—either prohibit the implanter or suspend the implanter for a stated period.
- (3) The chief executive must give an information notice for the decision to the implanter.
- (4) The decision takes effect on the later of the following days—
 - (a) the day the information notice is given to the implanter;
 - (b) the day stated in the information notice for that purpose.

33 Immediate suspension

- (1) The chief executive may suspend the implanter immediately if the chief executive believes—
 - (a) a ground exists to suspend or prohibit the implanter from implanting PPIDs; and
 - (b) it is necessary to suspend the implanter immediately because there is an immediate and serious risk of harm to the effectiveness of the identification or registration of cats or dogs under this Act.
- (2) The suspension—
 - (a) must be effected by an information notice for the decision given by the chief executive to the implanter to

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suspend the implanter together with a show cause notice; and

- (b) operates immediately the notices are given; and
- (c) continues to operate until the earliest of the following happens—
 - (i) the chief executive cancels the remaining period of the suspension;
 - (ii) the show cause notice is finally dealt with;
 - (iii) 28 days have passed since the notices were given to the implanter.

Division 4 Removing PPIDs

34 PPID must not be removed or otherwise interfered with

- (1) A person must not remove or otherwise interfere with a PPID that is implanted in a cat or dog unless—
 - (a) the person is a veterinary surgeon; and
 - (b) the removal or interference is needed to address a serious risk to the health of the cat or dog.

Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.

- (2) In this section—

interfere with, a PPID, means to interfere with it in a way that causes the PPID not to work properly.

Division 5 PPID registry services

35 Person must not offer or provide PPID registry service

A person, other than a licence holder, must not offer or provide a PPID registry service.

Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.

36 Licence holder's obligations

- (1) A licence holder must, for each cat or dog for which the holder is providing a PPID registry service, keep and maintain—
 - (a) the PPID information for the cat or dog; and
 - (b) copies of the records from which the information was obtained.

Maximum penalty—180 penalty units.

- (2) If, under section 16, the licence holder receives a notice about changed information for the cat or dog, the holder must, within 7 days, electronically update the information in a way that reflects the change.

Maximum penalty—180 penalty units.

Division 6 Giving identifying information and PPID information

37 Authorised implanter may give identifying information or PPID information to particular persons

An authorised implanter who has implanted a PPID in a cat or dog must not give any identifying information or PPID information for the cat or dog to another person unless—

- (a) the person is—
 - (i) engaged or employed by the implanter performing functions under this Act; or
 - (ii) a licence holder or a person engaged or employed by the holder, performing functions under this Act; or
 - (iii) the owner of the cat or dog; or
 - (iv) the chief executive or a person engaged or employed by the chief executive to perform functions under this Act; or

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- (v) the chief executive officer of a local government or a person engaged or employed by the local government to perform functions under this Act; or
 - (vi) an authorised person performing functions under this Act; or
- (b) the owner of the cat or dog has consented to giving the information for the purposes of reuniting the owner with the cat or dog.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

38 Licence holder may give identifying information or PPID information to particular persons

A licence holder providing a PPID registry service must not give any identifying information or PPID information for a cat or dog to another person unless—

- (a) the person is—
- (i) another licence holder or person engaged or employed by the holder, performing functions under this Act; or
 - (ii) an authorised implanter or person engaged or employed by the implanter, performing functions under this Act; or
 - (iii) the owner of the cat or dog; or
 - (iv) the chief executive or a person engaged or employed by the chief executive to perform functions under this Act; or
 - (v) the chief executive officer of a local government or a person engaged or employed by the local government to perform functions under this Act; or
 - (vi) an authorised person performing functions under this Act; or
- (b) the owner of the cat or dog has consented to giving the information for the purposes of reuniting the owner with the cat or dog.

Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

39 Relevant local government may give identifying information to particular persons

A relevant local government for a cat or dog must not give any identifying information for the cat or dog to a person unless—

- (a) the person is—
 - (i) an authorised implanter or person engaged or employed by the implanter, performing functions under this Act; or
 - (ii) a licence holder or person engaged or employed by the holder, performing functions under this Act; or
 - (iii) the owner of the cat or dog; or
 - (iv) the chief executive or a person engaged or employed by the chief executive to perform functions under this Act; or
 - (v) the chief executive officer of a local government or a person engaged or employed by the local government to perform functions under this Act; or
 - (vi) an authorised person performing functions under this Act; or
- (b) the owner of the cat or dog has consented to giving the information for the purposes of reuniting the owner with the cat or dog.

Division 7 Pound or shelter operators

40 Operator must ensure cat or dog is scanned

- (1) This section applies to the operator of a pound or shelter.
- (2) The operator must ensure a cat or dog entering the pound or shelter is scanned, within 3 days after its entry, in a way that is likely to detect a PPID implanted in the cat or dog.

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Maximum penalty—30 penalty units.

- (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to the operator if—
 - (a) the cat or dog behaves aggressively towards a person attempting to scan the cat or dog; and
 - (b) the operator reasonably believes that compliance with subsection (2) may endanger the health of anyone attempting to scan the cat or dog.
- (4) In this section—

pound or shelter includes a veterinary surgery to the extent it provides shelter for a cat or dog that is homeless, lost or stray.

41 Protection of particular persons dealing with cat or dog

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) either—
 - (i) a cat or dog is scanned in the way required under section 40(2) and the result of the scan shows that a PPID has not been implanted in the cat or dog; or
 - (ii) section 40(3) applies in relation to the cat or dog; and
 - (b) a person mentioned in section 40 or someone else (the ***protected person***) who does not know who owns the cat or dog deals with it relying on—
 - (i) the result of the scan; or
 - (ii) the absence of a scan of the cat or dog because of the matters mentioned in section 40(3).
- (2) The protected person is not civilly liable to the owner in relation to the dealing to the extent that—
 - (a) the dealing is adverse to the owner's rights concerning the cat or dog or may have an effect on the owner's health; and

Examples—

- 1 giving the cat or dog away

- 2 destroying the cat or dog
- (b) apart from this section, the dealing would give rise to a right of action by the owner against the protected person.
- (3) Also, the protected person is not criminally liable for doing any act or making any omission in relation to the cat or dog if the act or omission could lawfully be done or omitted to be done by the owner.

Part 2 Desexing tattoos

42 Desexed cat or dog must be tattooed

- (1) An owner of a desexed cat or dog must ensure the cat or dog is tattooed when it is desexed.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

Note—

See section 215 for circumstances in which an owner of a cat or dog does not contravene subsection (1).

- (2) A veterinary surgeon desexing a cat or dog must ensure it is tattooed for desexing.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) It is a defence to a prosecution for an offence against subsection (1) for the defendant to prove the cat or dog—

- (a) is a cat or dog for which there is a signed veterinary surgeon's certificate stating, or other evidence, that tattooing the cat or dog is likely to be a serious risk to its health; or
- (b) is, or is proposed to be, a show cat or dog and tattooing it may reasonably be considered by a person acting as a judge of the cat or dog as a blemish that is detrimental to its value as a show cat or dog.

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(4) In this section—

show cat or dog means a cat or dog participating in or being exhibited at an exhibition supervised by a body recognised for this section by the relevant local government.

43 Person must not tattoo an undesexed cat or dog

A person must not tattoo an undesexed cat or dog for desexing.

Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.

Chapter 2A Registration of dog breeders and related matters

Part 1 Preliminary

43A Definitions for chapter

In this chapter—

accreditation number see section 43C(1).

accredited breeder, of an approved entity, see section 43B(1).

approval day, for an approved entity, means the day the entity is prescribed as an approved entity under section 43W.

approved entity means an entity prescribed as an approved entity under section 43W.

breeder ID number, of a registered breeder, see section 43G(1)(b).

designated details, of a person, means the following details—

(a) the person's name;

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- (b) the address of—
 - (i) if the person is an individual—the person’s place of residence; or
 - (ii) if the person is a body corporate—the body corporate’s place of business, head office or registered office;
 - (c) the local government area in which—
 - (i) if the person is an individual—the person’s place of residence is located; or
 - (ii) if the person is a body corporate—the body corporate’s place of business, head office or registered office is located;
 - (d) the person’s telephone number;
 - (e) the person’s email address.

ineligible person see section 43D.

online breeder registration system means the online system for breeder registration and related matters on, or accessible from, the department’s website.

registered breeder means a person registered under part 2.

registration date see section 43G(2)(c).

renewal date see section 43L(2)(c).

renewal fee see section 43J(2)(b)(ii).

renewal notice see section 43J(1).

43B Who is an accredited breeder

- (1) A person is an ***accredited breeder***, of an approved entity, if the person is accredited by the approved entity to breed dogs under an accreditation scheme conducted by the approved entity.
- (2) For subsection (1), it does not matter that the person is accredited before the approval day for the approved entity.

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- (3) However, if the person is accredited before the approval day for the approved entity, the person only becomes an accredited breeder of the approved entity on the approved entity's approval day.

43C What is an *accreditation number*

- (1) An *accreditation number* is the unique identifying number an approved entity gives a person who is an accredited breeder of the approved entity.
- (2) For subsection (1), it does not matter that the unique identifying number is given before the approval day for the approved entity.
- (3) However, if the unique identifying number is given before the approval day for the approved entity, the number only becomes the accreditation number of the accredited breeder on the approved entity's approval day.

43D Who is an *ineligible person*

A person is an *ineligible person* if—

- (a) the person is a child; or
- (b) the person is subject to—
 - (i) a prohibition order or an interim prohibition order made under the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*; or
 - (ii) an order made under a law of another State or the Commonwealth having the same, or substantially the same, effect as an order mentioned in subparagraph (i); or
- (c) the person's registration as a registered breeder has been cancelled under part 2, division 4 in the last 5 years; or
- (d) the person's registration, under a corresponding law, to breed dogs has been cancelled in the last 5 years.

Part 2 Registration of dog breeders

Division 1 Registration

43E Registration obligation

- (1) This section applies to a person who—
 - (a) breeds a dog; and
 - (b) on the day the dog is born, is not a registered breeder.
- (2) The person must, within 28 days after the day the dog is born, apply to be registered as a registered breeder unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

- (3) However, a person does not commit an offence against subsection (2) if the person is—
 - (a) an accredited breeder of an approved entity; or
 - (b) a primary producer who has bred the dog from a working dog—
 - (i) to use as a working dog; or
 - (ii) to supply the dog to another primary producer to use as a working dog; or
 - (c) a member of a class of persons prescribed by regulation.
- (4) Also, a person does not commit an offence against subsection (2) if the dog dies within 28 days after the day it is born.

43F Applying for registration

- (1) A person, other than an ineligible person, may apply to the chief executive to be registered as a registered breeder.
- (2) The application must be made—

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- (a) electronically using the online breeder registration system; or
 - (b) in the approved form.
- (3) Also, the application must—
- (a) include the designated details of the person; and
 - (b) be accompanied by the fee prescribed by regulation.

43G Registration of person as registered breeder

- (1) The chief executive must, as soon as practicable after receiving an application under section 43F—
- (a) register the person as a registered breeder by recording the person's designated details in the breeder register; and
 - (b) issue a unique identifying number (the *breeder ID number*) for the person; and
 - (c) give the person a notice about the person's registration as a registered breeder.
- (2) The notice must state—
- (a) the designated details of the person as recorded in the breeder register; and
 - (b) the person's breeder ID number; and
 - (c) the date the person was registered (the *registration date*).

43H Period of registration

A person's registration as a registered breeder ends 1 year after the registration date stated in the notice given to the person under section 43G, unless the registration is sooner cancelled under division 4.

43I No transfer of registration

A person's registration as a registered breeder may not be transferred.

Division 2 Renewal of registration

43J Chief executive must give renewal notice

- (1) The chief executive must give a registered breeder a notice (a *renewal notice*) to renew the breeder's registration as a registered breeder.
- (2) The renewal notice must—
 - (a) be given at least 14 days before the registration ends; and
 - (b) state—
 - (i) the designated details of the registered breeder as recorded in the breeder register; and
 - (ii) that the registered breeder may renew the registration by paying the fee (the *renewal fee*) prescribed by regulation to the chief executive; and
 - (iii) the period for which the registration is to be renewed.

43K Applying for renewal of registration

- (1) The registered breeder may renew the breeder's registration, before the registration ends, by paying the renewal fee.
- (2) This section applies whether or not the registered breeder has been given a renewal notice.

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43L Renewal of registration

- (1) The chief executive must, within 14 days after receiving the renewal fee, give the registered breeder a notice about the renewal of registration as a registered breeder.
- (2) The notice must state—
 - (a) the designated details of the registered breeder as recorded in the breeder register; and
 - (b) the breeder ID number of the registered breeder; and
 - (c) the date (the *renewal date*) the person's registration as a registered breeder was renewed.

43M Period of renewal of registration

A person's registration ends 1 year after the renewal date stated in the notice given to the person under section 43L, unless the registration is sooner cancelled under division 4.

Division 3 Amendment of registration

43N Registered breeder must give chief executive changed information

- (1) This section applies if the designated details of a registered breeder change.
- (2) The registered breeder must, unless the breeder has a reasonable excuse, within 7 days after the designated details change, give the chief executive notice of the change in a way mentioned in subsection (3).

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

- (3) The notice must be given—
 - (a) electronically using the online breeder registration system; or
 - (b) in the approved form.

43O Chief executive must record changed information and give notice of change

- (1) This section applies if the chief executive receives a notice, from a registered breeder, under section 43N.
- (2) The chief executive must—
 - (a) as soon as practicable after receiving the notice, record the change in the designated details of the registered breeder in the breeder register; and
 - (b) within 14 days after receiving the notice, give the registered breeder a notice stating the designated details of the registered breeder as recorded in the register.

Division 4 Suspension or cancellation of registration

43P Grounds for suspension or cancellation

Each of the following is a ground for suspending or cancelling a person's registration as a registered breeder—

- (a) the person becomes an ineligible person under section 43D(b);
- (b) the person was registered because of a materially false or misleading representation or declaration;
- (c) the person is charged with an animal welfare offence;
- (d) the person is charged with an offence against a law of the Commonwealth or another State if the act or omission constituting the offence would, if it happened in Queensland, be an animal welfare offence.

43Q Show cause notice

- (1) This section applies if the chief executive believes a ground exists under section 43P to suspend or cancel (the *proposed action*) a person's registration as a registered breeder.

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- (2) The chief executive must give the person a notice (a *show cause notice*)—
 - (a) stating the proposed action; and
 - (b) stating the grounds for the proposed action; and
 - (c) outlining the facts and circumstances forming the basis for the grounds; and
 - (d) if the proposed action is to suspend the registration—stating the period of the proposed suspension; and
 - (e) inviting the person, within a stated period (the *show cause period*), to make written representations to the chief executive about why the proposed action should not be taken.
- (3) The show cause period must be a period ending at least 21 days after the day the show cause notice is given to the person.

43R Representations about show cause notice

- (1) The person may, within the show cause period, make written representations to the chief executive about why the proposed action should not be taken.
- (2) The chief executive must consider all representations (the *accepted representations*) made under subsection (1).

43S Ending show cause process without further action

If, after considering the accepted representations, the chief executive no longer believes a ground exists to take the proposed action, the chief executive—

- (a) must not take any further action about the show cause notice; and
- (b) must, as soon as practicable, give the person a notice stating the proposed action will not be taken.

43T Suspension or cancellation

- (1) This section applies if, after considering any accepted representations, the chief executive—
 - (a) still believes a ground exists to take the proposed action; and
 - (b) believes the proposed action is warranted.
- (2) This section also applies if there are no accepted representations.
- (3) The chief executive may decide to—
 - (a) if the proposed action was to suspend the registration for a stated period—suspend the registration for not longer than the stated period; or
 - (b) if the proposed action was to cancel the registration—cancel the registration or suspend it for a stated period.
- (4) The chief executive must, as soon as practicable after making the decision, give the person an information notice for the decision.
- (5) The decision takes effect on the later of the following days—
 - (a) the day the information notice is given to the person;
 - (b) the day stated in the information notice.

43U Immediate suspension

- (1) The chief executive may decide to suspend a person's registration as a registered breeder immediately if the chief executive believes—
 - (a) a ground exists to take proposed action in relation to the person's registration; and
 - (b) it is necessary to suspend the registration immediately because there is an immediate and serious risk—
 - (i) to the welfare of dogs; or

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- (ii) of harm to the effectiveness of the registration of persons as registered breeders under this Act.
- (2) The chief executive must, as soon as practicable after making the decision, give the person—
 - (a) an information notice for the decision to suspend the registration immediately; and
 - (b) a show cause notice in relation to the proposed action.
- (3) The suspension—
 - (a) takes effect when the notices are given to the person; and
 - (b) continues until the earliest of the following—
 - (i) the chief executive ends the suspension;
 - (ii) the show cause notice is finally dealt with;
 - (iii) the day that is 28 days after the notices were given to the person.

Part 3 **Approved entities**

43V Definition for part

In this part—

relevant information means—

- (a) for a person who becomes an accredited breeder of an approved entity—
 - (i) the person’s designated details; and
 - (ii) the person’s accreditation number; and
 - (iii) the date the person becomes an accredited breeder of the approved entity; and
 - (iv) the date the person’s accreditation ends; or

- (b) for a person who ceases to be an accredited breeder of an approved entity—
 - (i) the person's designated details; and
 - (ii) the number that, immediately before the person ceases to be an accredited breeder of the approved entity, is the person's accreditation number; and
 - (iii) the date the person ceases to be an accredited breeder of the approved entity.

43W Approved entity may be prescribed

- (1) A regulation may prescribe an entity as an approved entity.
- (2) The Minister may recommend the making of a regulation under subsection (1) only if the Minister is satisfied—
 - (a) the entity conducts an accreditation scheme for persons who breed dogs; and
 - (b) the entity gives a unique identifying number to each person accredited under the accreditation scheme; and
 - (c) the accreditation scheme requires a person accredited under the scheme, within 7 days after the designated details of the person change, to give the entity notice of the change; and
 - (d) if the entity is prescribed as an approved entity, the entity would be able and willing to give the chief executive—
 - (i) the relevant information for each person who becomes an accredited breeder of the approved entity, within 7 days after the person is accredited; and

Note—

See section 43B for when a person becomes an accredited breeder of an approved entity.

- (ii) the relevant information for each person who ceases to be an accredited breeder of the approved entity, within 7 days after the cessation; and

- (iii) notice of a change in the designated details of an accredited breeder of the approved entity, within 7 days after the day the breeder gives the entity notice of the change; and
- (iv) any other information about a person mentioned in subparagraph (i), (ii) or (iii) requested by the chief executive to help monitor or enforce compliance with this Act.

Chapter 2B Supply of cats and dogs

Part 1 Preliminary

43X What is a dog's *relevant supply number*

- (1) The *relevant supply number* is—
 - (a) for a dog bred by a person who is a registered breeder—the person's breeder ID number; or
 - (b) for a dog bred by a person who applies for registration as a registered breeder within 28 days after the day the dog is born and who is registered as a registered breeder—the person's breeder ID number.
- (2) However, if a dog is bred by a registered breeder while the breeder's registration is suspended under chapter 2A, part 2, division 4, the dog is taken not to have a relevant supply number.
- (3) The *relevant supply number* for a dog bred by a person who is an accredited breeder of an approved entity is the person's accreditation number.
- (4) The *relevant supply number* for a dog bred by a person who is a recognised interstate breeder is the unique number that identifies the person as a recognised interstate breeder.

- (5) The exemption number issued under part 5 for a dog is the *relevant supply* number for the dog.
- (6) The breeder ID number of a pound or shelter is the *relevant supply number* for a dog impounded, or being provided shelter, by the pound or shelter if, when the dog entered the pound or shelter, there was no relevant supply number for the dog.
- (7) In this section—
recognised interstate breeder means a person registered, however described, under a corresponding law to breed dogs.
shelter includes a veterinary surgery to the extent it provides shelter for a dog that is homeless, lost or stray.

Part 2 Requirement for cat or dog to be implanted

43Y Supplier must ensure cat or dog is implanted

- (1) A person must not, without reasonable excuse, supply a cat or dog to anyone else if it is not implanted with a PPID.
Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.
- (2) It is not a reasonable excuse for subsection (1) that the cat or dog is less than 8 weeks old.
Note—
See section 24 for restrictions on implanting a PPID in a cat or dog that is less than 8 weeks old.
- (3) In a proceeding for an offence against subsection (1) relating to the supply of a cat, it is a defence for the defendant to prove that, when the cat was supplied—
 - (a) the cat was at least 8 weeks old; and
 - (b) there was a veterinary surgeon's certificate for the cat.

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- (4) In a proceeding for an offence against subsection (1) relating to the supply of a dog, it is a defence for the defendant to prove—
- (a) when the dog was supplied—
 - (i) the dog was at least 8 weeks old; and
 - (ii) there was a veterinary surgeon's certificate for the dog; and
 - (iii) the defendant gave the person to whom the dog was supplied a copy of the veterinary surgeon's certificate for the dog; or
 - (b) the supply of the dog was to use it—
 - (i) as a government entity dog; or
 - (ii) as a working dog; or
 - (iii) for another purpose prescribed by regulation.
- (5) In this section—

veterinary surgeon's certificate, for a cat or dog, means a certificate signed by a veterinary surgeon stating that implanting the cat or dog with a PPID is likely to be a serious risk to the health of the cat or dog.

Part 3 Requirement for relevant supply number for dog

43Z Supplier must know dog has relevant supply number

A person must not, without reasonable excuse, supply a dog to another person unless the person knows—

- (a) there is a relevant supply number for the dog; and
- (b) the PPID information kept for the dog under section 36 includes the relevant supply number.

Note—

Under section 38, the PPID information for a dog may be disclosed to the owner of the dog by a licence holder providing a PPID registry service for the dog.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

43ZA Exceptions for supply of dog

- (1) A person does not commit an offence against section 43Z if the dog is supplied in any of the following circumstances—
 - (a) the dog is bred, by a primary producer, from a working dog and supplied to another primary producer to use as a working dog;
 - (b) the dog is supplied by a member of a class of persons prescribed under section 43E(3)(c);
 - (c) the dog is supplied to a pound or shelter.
- (2) Also, if the dog is not required under section 43Y(1) to be implanted with a PPID for the supply, a person does not commit an offence against section 43Z only because the person does not know the matter mentioned in section 43Z(b).
- (3) In this section—

shelter includes a veterinary surgery to the extent it provides shelter for a dog that is homeless, lost or stray.

43ZB Advertiser must know dog has relevant supply number

A person must not, without reasonable excuse, advertise a dog for supply unless the person knows—

- (a) there is a relevant supply number for the dog; and
- (b) the PPID information kept for the dog under section 36 includes the relevant supply number.

Note—

Under section 38, the PPID information for a dog may be disclosed to the owner of the dog by a licence holder providing a PPID registry service for the dog.

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Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

43ZC Advertisement must include relevant supply number

A person who advertises a dog for supply must include the relevant supply number for the dog in the advertisement unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

43ZD Exceptions for advertising supply of dog

- (1) A person does not commit an offence against section 43ZB or 43ZC if the dog is advertised for supply in either of the following circumstances—
 - (a) the dog is bred, by a primary producer, from a working dog and is advertised for supply only to another primary producer to use as a working dog;
 - (b) the dog is advertised for supply by a member of a class of persons prescribed under section 43E(3)(c).
- (2) Also, a person does not commit an offence against section 43ZB only because the person does not know the matter mentioned in section 43ZB(b) if—
 - (a) the dog is at least 8 weeks old and there is a veterinary surgeon's certificate for the dog; or
 - (b) the dog is advertised for supply only—
 - (i) as a government entity dog; or
 - (ii) as a working dog; or
 - (iii) for another purpose prescribed by regulation.

43ZE Printer or publisher not liable in particular circumstances

A person does not commit an offence against section 43ZB or 43ZC merely because the person, as part of the person's printing or publishing business, prints or publishes an advertisement for another person.

Part 4 Requirement to give particular details and form

43ZF Supplier of dog must give particular details and form

- (1) A person who supplies a dog to another person must, unless the person has a reasonable excuse, give the other person—
 - (a) a notice stating—
 - (i) the name of the supplier of the dog; and
 - (ii) the relevant supply number for the dog; and
 - (b) a change of ownership form that is completed and signed by the supplier of the dog.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

- (2) However, a person does not commit an offence against subsection (1) only because the person fails to comply with subsection (1)(a)(ii) if the dog is supplied in any of the following circumstances—
 - (a) the dog is bred, by a primary producer, from a working dog and supplied to another primary producer to use as a working dog;
 - (b) the dog is supplied by a member of a class of persons prescribed under section 43E(3)(c);
 - (c) the dog is supplied to a pound or shelter.
- (3) In this section—

change of ownership form, for a dog, means a form (however called), prepared by the relevant PPID registry service for the dog, that records details about the supply of the dog from one person to another person including, for example, the PPID number for the dog.

supplier, of a dog, means—

- (a) if the dog is supplied as part of a business activity that includes the supply of dogs—the person who conducts the business activity; or

- (b) otherwise—the person who supplies the dog.

Part 5 Exemption numbers for supply of dogs

Division 1 Preliminary

43ZG Eligible person—primary producer

- (1) A person is an *eligible person* in relation to a dog if—
 - (a) the dog—
 - (i) was bred, by a primary producer, from a working dog; and
 - (ii) was supplied to the person, when the person was a primary producer, to use as a working dog; and
 - (b) the person proposes to supply the dog to another person—
 - (i) who is not a primary producer; or
 - (ii) other than to use as a working dog.
- (2) For subsection (1), it is irrelevant whether—
 - (a) the dog was supplied to the person by the primary producer who bred the dog or another person; or
 - (b) the person proposing to supply the dog is still a primary producer.

43ZH Eligible person—prescribed person

A person is also an *eligible person* in relation to a dog if—

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- (a) the dog was bred and supplied to the person by a member of a class of persons prescribed under section 43E(3)(c); and
 - (b) the person proposes to supply the dog to another person.

43ZI Eligible person—owner or responsible person

A person is also an eligible person in relation to a dog if the person—

- (a) is the owner of, or responsible person for, the dog; and
- (b) did not breed the dog; and
- (c) does not conduct a business activity that includes the supply of dogs.

Division 2 Applications for exemption numbers

43ZJ Applying for exemption number

- (1) A person who is an eligible person in relation to a dog may apply to the chief executive for an exemption number for the dog.
- (2) The application must be made—
 - (a) electronically using the online breeder registration system; or
 - (b) in the approved form.
- (3) The application must—
 - (a) include enough information to enable the chief executive to decide the application; and
 - (b) be accompanied by the fee prescribed by regulation.

43ZK Deciding application

- (1) The chief executive must decide to approve, or refuse to approve, the application.
- (2) The chief executive must decide to refuse to approve the application if satisfied the applicant is not an eligible person in relation to the dog.
- (3) If the chief executive decides to refuse to approve the application, the chief executive must give the applicant an information notice for the decision.

43ZL Failure to decide application

- (1) If the chief executive fails to decide the application within 28 days after its receipt, the failure is taken to be a decision by the chief executive to refuse to approve the application.
- (2) If the chief executive is taken to have decided to refuse to approve the application, the applicant is entitled to be given an information notice for the decision by the chief executive.

43ZM Chief executive must issue exemption number

If the chief executive decides to approve the application, the chief executive must, as soon as practicable after making the decision—

- (a) issue a unique identifying number (an *exemption number*) for the dog; and
- (b) give the applicant a notice stating the exemption number.

Chapter 3 Dog registration

Part 1 Particular person's obligations

44 Registration obligation

- (1) This section does not apply to—
- (a) the operator of a pound or shelter; or

Note—

However, the operator of a pound or shelter may be required under section 43E to apply to be registered as a registered breeder.

- (b) the owner of a dog less than 12 weeks old.
- (2) An owner of a dog must comply with section 46 to register the dog in the relevant local government's area within 14 days after starting to keep the dog in the area unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) A person who becomes an owner of a dog must comply with section 46 to register the dog in the relevant local government's area within 14 days unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (4) It is a defence to a prosecution for an offence against subsection (2) or (3) for the defendant to prove the dog is—
- (a) a government entity dog; or
- (b) a working dog; or
- (c) another class of dog prescribed under a regulation.

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45 Dog must bear identification in particular circumstances

- (1) This section applies if a dog, other than a regulated dog, is at a place other than the address stated in the registration notice for the dog.
- (2) The person who keeps the dog must ensure it bears the identification prescribed under a local law unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

Note—

See chapter 4, part 5 for conditions applying in relation to regulated dogs.

Part 2 How dog is registered

46 What owner must do

To register a dog with the relevant local government for the dog, the owner of the dog must—

- (a) give the local government a registration form for it that complies with section 47; and
- (b) ensure the registration form is accompanied by—
 - (i) the registration fee for the dog; and
 - (ii) if it is desexed—a signed veterinary surgeon's certificate stating, or other evidence, that it has been desexed; and
- (c) if a notice is given to the owner under section 48(2)—give the chief executive officer of the local government any other information or documents required to be given in the notice.

47 What registration form must state

- (1) A registration form for the registration of a dog in the relevant local government's area, must—
 - (a) be in the approved form; and
 - (b) state all of the following information about its owner—
 - (i) name;
 - (ii) residential address;
 - (iii) contact telephone number;
 - (iv) email address, if any; and
 - (c) state all of the following information about the dog—
 - (i) age;
 - (ii) breed;
 - (iii) colour;
 - (iv) sex;
 - (v) any other noticeable distinguishing features or marks;
 - (vi) address;
 - (vii) if it is implanted with a PPID, the unique identification number stored on the PPID;
 - (viii) if it is desexed—that it has been desexed;
 - (ix) if the dog is a regulated dog—whether the dog is a declared dangerous dog or a declared menacing dog.
- (2) In this section—

address, for a dog, means the address of the place where the dog is usually kept or is proposed to be kept.

48 Chief executive officer may ask for further information

- (1) This section applies if the owner of a dog gives the relevant local government for the dog—

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- (a) a registration form under section 46; or
 - (b) a notice mentioned in section 54(3) or 57(2).
- (2) The chief executive officer of the local government may, by notice, require the owner to give other information or documents reasonably required to register the dog.
- (3) The notice must state a reasonable period of at least 14 days to comply with the notice.

49 Relevant local government must give registration notice

- (1) This section applies if an owner of a dog complies with section 46 for the dog.
- (2) The relevant local government for the dog must give its owner notice (the *registration notice*) that the dog has been registered by the local government.
- (3) The registration notice must—
- (a) be given to the owner within 14 days after the dog is registered in the local government’s area; and
 - (b) state—
 - (i) the information, for the owner and the dog, required to be given under sections 47 and 48(2); and
 - (ii) the period of the registration; and
 - (c) be accompanied by any registration device for the dog; and
 - (d) include any other information prescribed under a regulation.

50 Duration of registration

- (1) Registration of a dog is for the period of years fixed by resolution of the relevant local government for the dog.
- (2) However, the period must not be more than 3 years.

51 Local government must keep registration form and information

A local government giving a registration notice to the owner of a dog must—

- (a) keep the registration form and other information about the dog given to it by the owner; and
- (b) if the information must be recorded in a register kept by the chief executive officer of the local government—within 7 days, record the information in the appropriate register.

52 Registration fee must be fixed to give desexing incentive

- (1) This section applies to a relevant local government in fixing the registration fee for a dog usually kept or proposed to be kept in the local government's area.
- (2) The local government must fix the fee to give the owner of the dog an incentive to desex it.

Example of an incentive to desex a dog—

fixing a lower registration fee for a dog that is desexed

- (3) In this section—

dog means a dog other than a declared dangerous dog.

Note—

See section 70 in relation to the compulsory desexing of declared dangerous dogs.

53 Registration fee to be used for achievement of Act's purposes

A registration fee paid to a local government must be used—

- (a) for the purposes of this Act; and
- (b) to administer local laws relating to the management of dogs.

Part 3 **Amendment of registration**

54 **Amendment of registration**

- (1) This section applies if any information stated on the registration notice for a dog changes (the *changed information*).
- (2) However, this section does not apply if the changed information is a change of residential address for an owner of a regulated dog mentioned in schedule 1, section 8.
- (3) The owner of the dog must, within 7 days, give the relevant local government notice of the changed information.
Maximum penalty—5 penalty units.
- (4) The notice must be—
 - (a) in the approved form; and
 - (b) accompanied by other information or documents to enable the relevant local government to record the changed information in the appropriate register.

55 **Relevant local government must give notice of change**

- (1) This section applies if the chief executive officer of the relevant local government for a dog is given a notice under section 54(3).
- (2) The chief executive officer may ask the owner of the dog for other information or documents in the way mentioned in section 48.
- (3) The owner must give the chief executive officer the information or documents required to be given in the notice mentioned in section 48(2).
Maximum penalty—5 penalty units.
- (4) If the owner complies with subsection (3), the chief executive officer must—

- (a) within 7 days after receiving a notice mentioned in section 54(3) or other information or document given under section 48, ensure the information is updated in the appropriate register in a way that reflects the change; and
- (b) within 14 days after receiving the notice, ensure the owner is given a notice for the dog that includes the changed information mentioned in section 54.

Part 4 Renewal of registration

56 Relevant local government must give renewal notice

- (1) The chief executive officer of the relevant local government for a dog must give its owner notice (the *renewal notice*) to renew the registration for the dog.
- (2) The renewal notice must—
 - (a) be given at least 14 days before the period of registration in the local government’s area for the dog expires; and
 - (b) state—
 - (i) the information, for the owner and the dog, stated in the general register for the dog; and
 - (ii) the period of renewal of registration; and
 - (iii) that the owner must, within 7 days, give the chief executive officer notice of any change to the information; and
 - (c) include any other information prescribed under a regulation.

57 What owner must do

- (1) This section applies to the owner of a dog whether or not the owner has been given a renewal notice.

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- (2) The owner of the dog must, before the period of registration for the dog expires—
 - (a) if any information on the renewal notice has changed—give the local government notice of the change (the *changed information*); and
 - (b) pay the registration fee for the dog; and
 - (c) if it is desexed—ensure the fee is accompanied by a signed veterinary surgeon’s certificate stating, or other evidence, that it has been desexed.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

- (3) However, if a registration form for a dog in the relevant local government’s area has already been accompanied by the certificate or evidence mentioned in subsection (2) for the dog, the certificate or evidence need not accompany the fee.

58 Relevant local government’s obligations if owner complies

- (1) This section applies if the owner of a dog given a renewal notice under section 56 complies with section 57 for the dog.
- (2) The chief executive officer of the local government may ask the owner for other information or documents in the way mentioned in section 48.
- (3) The owner must give the chief executive officer the information or documents required to be given in the notice mentioned in section 48(2).

Maximum penalty—5 penalty units.

- (4) If the owner complies with subsection (3), the chief executive officer must—
 - (a) within 7 days after receiving the notice mentioned in section 57(2), ensure the information is updated in the appropriate register in a way that reflects the change; and
 - (b) within 14 days after receiving the fee, any information or documents mentioned in section 57(2) or other

information or documents given under section 48, give the owner any registration device for the dog.

Chapter 4 Regulated dogs

Part 1 Preliminary

Division 1 Purpose and application of chapter

59 Purpose of ch 4 and its achievement

- (1) The purposes of this chapter are to—
 - (a) protect the community from damage or injury, or risk of damage or injury, from regulated dogs; and
 - (b) ensure regulated dogs are—
 - (i) not a risk to community health or safety; and
 - (ii) controlled and kept in a way consistent with community expectations and the rights of individuals.
- (2) The purposes are to be achieved primarily by the following—
 - (a) providing for local governments to declare dogs to be dangerous dogs or menacing dogs;
 - (b) providing for the compulsory desexing of declared dangerous dogs;
 - (c) providing for identification of dogs as regulated dogs;
 - (d) imposing conditions on keeping, and requirements for the control of, regulated dogs;
 - (e) allowing authorised persons to seize or destroy dogs in particular circumstances;

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- (f) providing for local governments to administer, and be responsible for, the matters mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (e).

Division 2 Interpretation

60 What is a *regulated dog*

A *regulated dog* is—

- (a) a declared dangerous dog; or
- (b) a declared menacing dog.

61 What is a *declared dangerous dog*

A *declared dangerous dog* is—

- (a) a dangerous dog declared under section 94 to be a dangerous dog; or
- (b) a dog that is the subject of a declaration, however called, if the declaration—
 - (i) was made under a corresponding law; and
 - (ii) is the same as or similar to a dangerous dog declaration.

62 What is a *declared menacing dog*

A *declared menacing dog* is—

- (a) a menacing dog declared under section 94 to be a menacing dog; or
- (b) a dog that is the subject of a declaration, however called, if the declaration—
 - (i) was made under a corresponding law; and
 - (ii) is the same as or similar to a menacing dog declaration.

63A Provisions for deciding what is a breed of dog

- (1) Each of the following certificates, for a dog, is evidence the dog is of the breed stated in the certificate—
 - (a) a pedigree certificate from the Australian National Kennel Council;
 - (b) a pedigree certificate from a member body of the Australian National Kennel Council;
 - (c) a pedigree certificate from a national breed council registered with the Australian National Kennel Council;
 - (d) a certificate signed by a veterinary surgeon stating, or to the effect, that the dog is of a particular breed.
- (2) However, if a dog is of the breed American Staffordshire terrier it is not of the breed American pit bull terrier.
- (3) Also, the breed American pit bull terrier does not include a dog of the breed American Staffordshire terrier.

Part 2 General restrictions and prohibitions

Division 1 Application of part

65 Application of pt 2

This part does not apply to a local government in relation to a regulated dog if the dog has been surrendered to it.

Division 2 General prohibitions

67 Prohibition on supply of regulated dog or proposed declared dog

- (1) A person (the *relevant person*) must not supply a regulated dog or a proposed declared dog to another person unless—
 - (a) the relevant person gives the other person a notice stating that the dog is a regulated dog or a proposed declared dog, as the case may be; or
 - (b) the relevant person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

- (2) In this section—

proposed declared dog means a dog the subject of—

- (a) a proposed declaration notice that has not been withdrawn; or
- (b) a dangerous dog declaration or menacing dog declaration that has been stayed under section 184 or the QCAT Act, section 22(3).

68 Abandonment prohibited

- (1) The owner of, or a responsible person for, a regulated dog must not abandon it unless the owner or responsible person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—300 penalty units.

- (2) In this section—

abandon includes leave for an unreasonable period, having regard to community health and safety.

Division 3 Declared dangerous dogs

69 Prohibition on breeding

- (1) A person must not give, or take, possession of a declared dangerous dog for the purpose of allowing it to breed with another dog.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

- (2) The owner of, or a responsible person for, a declared dangerous dog must not allow or encourage the dog to breed with another dog.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

70 Compulsory desexing of declared dangerous dog

- (1) The owner of a declared dangerous dog must ensure the dog is desexed within 3 months after the dog is declared to be a dangerous dog unless desexing is likely to be a serious risk to the dog's health.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

- (2) However, subsection (3) applies if a declared dangerous dog is not desexed within the period mentioned in subsection (1) because desexing is likely to temporarily be a serious risk to the dog's health (a *temporary risk*).

- (3) The owner of the declared dangerous dog must ensure the dog is desexed within 3 months after the temporary risk ends.

Maximum penalty—150 units.

Part 4 Regulated dog declarations

89 Power to make declaration

- (1) Any local government may, by complying with the requirements of this part—
 - (a) declare a particular dog to be a declared dangerous dog (a *dangerous dog declaration*); or
 - (b) declare a particular dog to be a declared menacing dog (a *menacing dog declaration*).
- (2) A dangerous dog declaration may be made for a dog only if the dog—
 - (a) has seriously attacked, or acted in a way that caused fear to, a person or another animal; or
 - (b) may, in the opinion of an authorised person having regard to the way the dog has behaved towards a person or another animal, seriously attack, or act in a way that causes fear to, the person or animal.
- (3) A menacing dog declaration may be made for a dog only if a ground mentioned in subsection (2) exists for the dog, except that the attack was not serious.
- (4) The declaration may be made even if the dog is not in the local government's area.
- (5) A declaration under this section is a *regulated dog declaration*.
- (6) In this section—

animal has the meaning given by section 191.

seriously attack means—

 - (a) in relation to a person—attack the person in a way that causes the death of, or grievous bodily harm or bodily harm to, the person; or

- (b) in relation to an animal—attack the animal in a way that causes the death of the animal, or maims or wounds the animal.

90 Notice of proposed declaration

- (1) If a local government proposes to make a regulated dog declaration it must give any owner of the dog a notice (a *proposed declaration notice*) stating—
 - (a) the following details for the dog—
 - (i) breed;
 - (ii) colour;
 - (iii) sex;
 - (iv) any other noticeable distinguishing features or marks; and
 - (b) the local government proposes to declare the dog to be a regulated dog; and
 - (c) the type of regulated dog declaration proposed to be made; and
 - (d) the reasons for the proposed declaration; and
 - (e) an owner of the dog may make, within a stated period, written representations to show why the proposed declaration should not be made.
- (2) The stated period must end at least 14 days after the proposed declaration notice is given.
- (3) The proposed declaration notice may be accompanied by a written opinion from a veterinary surgeon or other evidence about the dog's breed.

91 Proposed declaration notice does not limit other powers

The giving of a proposed declaration notice does not limit an authorised person's powers under—

- (a) chapter 5; or

(b) a regulation.

92 Withdrawing proposed declaration notice

The local government may withdraw the proposed declaration notice by giving notice of the withdrawal to any owner of the dog the subject of the notice.

93 Owner's obligation if proposed declaration notice in force

- (1) This section applies if the proposed declaration notice is for a dangerous dog declaration.
- (2) Each owner of, and responsible person for, the dog the subject of the proposed declaration notice must ensure the condition imposed under schedule 1, section 3, is complied with for the dog.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

Note—

See also section 67 for the prohibition on supplying a regulated dog or a proposed declared dog.

- (3) Subsection (2) ceases to apply if the notice is withdrawn.

94 Making regulated dog declaration

- (1) The local government must consider any written representations and evidence accompanying them within the period stated in the proposed declaration notice.
- (2) If, after complying with subsection (1), the local government is satisfied that the relevant ground under section 89 still exists, it must make the regulated dog declaration for the dog.

95 Giving information notice about decision to make regulated dog declaration

- (1) As soon as practicable after deciding to make a regulated dog declaration, the local government must give any owner of the

dog the subject of the declaration an information notice about the decision.

- (2) However, the local government must not give an information notice under subsection (1) if an authorised person has made a destruction order under section 127A in relation to the dog.

Note—

See section 127A in relation to the requirement to give a single information notice about the decisions to make the regulated dog declaration and the destruction order.

- (3) The decision takes effect on the later of the following days—
- (a) the day any owner of the dog is given the information notice;
 - (b) a later day of effect stated in the information notice.
- (4) The information notice must state—
- (a) that the dog is the subject of—
 - (i) if the dog is a dangerous dog—a dangerous dog declaration; or
 - (ii) if the dog is a menacing dog—a menacing dog declaration; and
 - (b) the reasons for the declaration; and
 - (c) the local government that made the declaration; and
 - (d) the day the decision takes effect; and
 - (e) that the dog must be kept only at the place stated in the registration notice as the address for the dog; and
 - (f) if the dog is impounded—a unique number given to the dog by the local government for the purposes of impounding; and
 - (g) any other information prescribed under a regulation.

Part 5 Conditions for regulated dogs

96 Operation of pt 5

- (1) This part imposes conditions on the owner of, or responsible person for, a regulated dog.
- (2) Also, a regulation may prescribe other conditions for a regulated dog.
- (3) However, if the information notice mentioned in section 95(4) about the dog states a condition does not take effect until a stated day, the condition does not apply until that day.
- (4) The stated day can not be more than 21 days after the owner is given the information notice.

97 Declared dangerous dogs

- (1) A relevant person for a declared dangerous dog must ensure each condition imposed under schedule 1, sections 2 to 6 and 8, or prescribed by regulation, in relation to the dog is complied with for the dog.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

- (2) In this section—

relevant person, for a declared dangerous dog, means the owner of, or any responsible person for, a declared dangerous dog.

98 Declared menacing dogs

- (1) A relevant person for a declared menacing dog must ensure each condition imposed under schedule 1, sections 2, 2A, 4 to 6 and 8, or prescribed by regulation, in relation to the dog is complied with for the dog.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

- (2) In this section—

relevant person, for a declared menacing dog, means the owner of, or any responsible person for, a declared menacing dog.

Part 6 Miscellaneous provisions

100 Surrender of regulated dog

- (1) An owner of a regulated dog may surrender it to the relevant local government.
- (2) On the surrender, the dog becomes the local government's property.
- (3) The local government must destroy the dog as soon as practicable after the surrender.

101 Defence for regulated dog owner

It is a defence in a proceeding for an offence against this chapter relating to a regulated dog against an owner of the dog for the owner to prove—

- (a) another person also owns the dog or owned it when the act or omission the subject of the proceeding happened; and
- (b) the other owner has—
 - (i) been convicted of the same offence or another offence constituted by the act or omission; and
 - (ii) met or paid any penalty imposed for the conviction.

103 Cost of regulated dog enclosure—dividing fence

- (1) This section applies if an enclosure, or proposed enclosure, for a regulated dog is, or when built will be, a dividing fence

under the *Neighbourhood Disputes (Dividing Fences and Trees) Act 2011*, in whole or part.

- (2) The liabilities and rights under the *Neighbourhood Disputes (Dividing Fences and Trees) Act 2011*, or a proposed order under that Act, of adjoining owners in relation to the fence for the cost of building, altering, repairing, replacing or maintaining the fence must be worked out as if—
 - (a) there is not, and will not be, a regulated dog in the enclosure; and
 - (b) the requirements of this chapter relating to the enclosure do not apply.
- (3) However, if part of the fence forms part of a pool barrier, the liabilities and rights of adjoining owners relating to that part of the fence forming part of a pool barrier for the cost of building, altering, repairing, replacing or maintaining the fence must be worked out under the *Building Act 1975*, chapter 8, part 2A.
- (4) If the fence is, or is proposed to be, built by a person who leases the place that is, or is to be, the relevant place for a regulated dog—
 - (a) the *Neighbourhood Disputes (Dividing Fences and Trees) Act 2011*, section 24 does not apply; and
 - (b) the *Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act 2008*, chapter 3, part 5, division 1 applies.
- (5) In this section—

pool barrier means a pool barrier under the *Building Act 1975*, section 245XA.

relevant place, for a regulated dog, means the place stated in the registration notice for the dog as the address for the dog.

Chapter 4A Prohibited dogs

103A What is a *prohibited dog*

- (1) A *prohibited dog* is a dog of a breed prohibited from importation into Australia under the *Customs Act 1901* (Cwlth).

Note—

See the *Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956* (Cwlth), section 3 and schedule 1 for the breeds of dogs that are prohibited from being imported.

- (2) For subsection (1), a *breed* does not include a crossbreed.

103B Prohibition on prohibited dogs

- (1) A person must not own, or be a responsible person for, a prohibited dog unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

- (2) It is a reasonable excuse for a person to own or be a responsible person for a prohibited dog if the dog is an assistance animal.

- (3) In this section—

assistance animal see the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (Cwlth), section 9(2).

Note—

See also section 196A in relation to the application of chapter 9, part 1 to a prohibited dog.

103C Prohibition on supply of prohibited dogs

A person must not supply a prohibited dog to another person.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

Note—

See also section 196A in relation to the application of chapter 9, part 1 to a prohibited dog.

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103D Prohibition on breeding with prohibited dogs

A person must not give or take possession of a prohibited dog for the purpose of allowing it to breed with another dog.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

Note—

See also section 196A in relation to the application of chapter 9, part 1 to a prohibited dog.

103E Surrender of prohibited dogs

- (1) An owner of a prohibited dog may surrender the dog to the relevant local government.
- (2) On the surrender, the dog becomes the local government's property.
- (3) The local government must destroy the dog as soon as practicable after the surrender.

Chapter 5 Investigation, monitoring and enforcement

Part 1 Authorised persons

104 Appointment and qualifications

- (1) The chief executive may appoint any of the following persons as an authorised person to investigate, monitor and enforce compliance with this Act—
 - (a) a public service employee;
 - (b) a person prescribed under a regulation.

- (2) The chief executive officer of a local government may appoint any of the following persons as an authorised person to investigate, monitor and enforce compliance with this Act—
 - (a) an employee of the local government;
 - (b) a person prescribed under a regulation.
- (3) However, the chief executive or chief executive officer (each the *designated officer*) may appoint a person as an authorised person only if the designated officer is satisfied the person is qualified for appointment because the person has the necessary expertise or experience.

105 Appointment conditions and limit on powers

- (1) An authorised person holds office on any conditions stated in—
 - (a) the authorised person’s instrument of appointment; or
 - (b) a signed notice given to the authorised person; or
 - (c) a regulation.
- (2) The instrument of appointment, a signed notice given to the authorised person or a regulation may limit the authorised person’s powers under this Act.
- (3) In this section—

signed notice means a notice signed by the chief executive officer.

106 Issue of identity card

- (1) The chief executive officer of a local government must issue an identity card to each authorised person.
- (2) The identity card must—
 - (a) contain a recent photo of the authorised person; and
 - (b) contain a copy of the authorised person’s signature; and

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- (c) identify the person as an authorised person under this Act; and
 - (d) state an expiry date for the card.
- (3) This section does not prevent the issue of a single identity card to a person for this Act and other purposes.

107 Production or display of identity card

- (1) In exercising a power under this Act in relation to another person, an authorised person must—
- (a) produce the authorised person’s identity card for the other person’s inspection before exercising the power; or
 - (b) have the identity card displayed so it is clearly visible to the other person when exercising the power.
- (2) However, if it is not practicable to comply with subsection (1), the authorised person must produce the identity card for the other person’s inspection at the first reasonable opportunity.
- (3) For subsection (1), an authorised person does not exercise a power in relation to another person only because the authorised person has entered a place as mentioned in section 111(1)(b) or (4).

108 When authorised person ceases to hold office

- (1) An authorised person ceases to hold office if any of the following happens—
- (a) the term of office stated in a condition of office ends;
 - (b) under another condition of office, the authorised person ceases to hold office;
 - (c) the authorised person’s resignation under section 109 takes effect.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not limit the ways an authorised person may cease to hold office.

(3) In this section—

condition of office means a condition on which the authorised person holds office.

109 Resignation

An authorised person may resign by signed notice given to the chief executive officer of the local government that appointed the person.

110 Return of identity card

A person who ceases to be an authorised person must return the person's identity card to the chief executive officer of the local government that appointed the person within 21 days after ceasing to be an authorised person unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

Part 2 Entry to places

Division 1 Powers of entry

111 General power to enter places

- (1) An authorised person may enter a place if—
 - (a) an occupier of the place consents to the entry; or
 - (b) it is a public place and the entry is made when it is open to the public; or
 - (c) the entry is authorised by a warrant; or
 - (d) it is mentioned in a licence as a place of business and is—

- (i) open for carrying on the business; or
 - (ii) otherwise open for entry; or
 - (iii) required to be open for inspection under the licence; or
 - (e) the entry is made, during the daytime, to inspect whether a prohibited dog is at the place; or
 - (f) the entry is made, during the daytime, to inspect work carried out under a condition of a dangerous dog declaration, menacing dog declaration, or compliance notice; or
 - (g) the entry is made, at a reasonable time of the day or night, under an approved inspection program.
- (2) However, an authorised person may enter a place at night for a purpose mentioned in subsection (1)(e) or (f) if—
- (a) the entry is at a time asked by the occupier; or
 - (b) the entry is in accordance with the times provided for in a compliance notice under section 132(3)(a).
- (3) For subsection (1)(d) to (g), a place does not include a part of the place where a person resides.
- (4) For the purpose of asking an occupier of a place for consent to enter, an authorised person may, without the occupier's consent or a warrant—
- (a) enter land around premises at the place to an extent that is reasonable to contact the occupier; or
 - (b) enter part of the place the authorised person reasonably considers members of the public ordinarily are allowed to enter when they wish to contact the occupier.

112 Additional entry powers for particular dogs

- (1) An authorised person may enter at a place if—
- (a) the authorised person reasonably suspects—
 - (i) a dog is at the place; and

- (ii) any delay in entering the place will result in a risk to community health or safety, or in the dog being concealed or moved to avoid a requirement under chapter 4; or
 - (b) its occupier has been given a compliance notice and the entry is made at a time stated in the notice to check compliance with the notice; or
 - (c) the authorised person reasonably suspects a prohibited dog is at the place.
- (2) A power under subsection (1) can not be exercised using force.

Note—

For power to enter using force, see section 118.

- (3) However, for subsection (1)(a) and (c), an authorised person may enter the place, or part of the place, with the help and using the force that is necessary and reasonable in the circumstances if the place is not a place where a person resides.

113 Approval of inspection program authorising entry

- (1) A local government (the *approving local government*) may by resolution approve a program (an *approved inspection program*) under which an authorised person may enter a place to monitor compliance with this Act or an aspect of this Act.

Example of a matter that may be monitored under an approved inspection program—

compliance with the conditions imposed under chapter 4, part 5

- (2) An approved inspection program must be a selective inspection program or systematic inspection program.
- (3) A selective inspection program provides for the selection, in accordance with the resolution, of places in the local government's area, or a particular part of the area, to be entered and inspected.

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- (4) A systematic inspection program provides for all places, or all places of a particular type, in the local government's area, or a particular part of the area, to be entered and inspected.
- (5) An approved inspection program must state the following—
 - (a) the purpose of the program;
 - (b) when the program starts;
 - (c) for a selective inspection program—
 - (i) objective criteria for selecting places to be entered and inspected; and
 - (ii) if the places are to be selected from a part of the local government's area—a description of the part;
 - (d) for a systematic inspection program—
 - (i) if places in a part of the local government's area are to be entered and inspected—a description of the part; and
 - (ii) if a type of place is to be entered and inspected—a description of the type;
 - (e) the period, of not more than 6 months or another period prescribed under a regulation, over which the program is to be carried out.

114 Notice of proposed inspection program

- (1) At least 14 days, but not more than 28 days, before an approved inspection program starts, the approving local government must give notice of the program.
- (2) The notice must be published—
 - (a) in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government's area; and
 - (b) on the local government's website.
- (3) The notice must state the following—
 - (a) the name of the local government;

- (b) in general terms, the purpose and scope of the program;
 - (c) when the program starts;
 - (d) the period over which the program is to be carried out;
 - (e) that a copy of the program is open to inspection at the public office of the local government until the end of the program;
 - (f) that a copy of the program may be purchased at the public office of the local government until the end of the program;
 - (g) the price of a copy of the program.
- (4) The price of a copy of the program must be no more than the cost to the local government of having the copy available for purchase and, if the copy is posted to the purchaser, the postage cost.

115 Access to program

From the publication by an approving local government of a notice about an approved inspection program until the end of the program—

- (a) a copy of the program must be open to inspection at the public office of the local government; and
- (b) copies of the program must be available for purchase at the public office of the local government at the price stated in the notice.

Division 2 Entry procedures

Subdivision 1 Consent

116 Entry with consent

- (1) This section applies if an authorised person intends to ask an occupier of a place to consent to the authorised person or

another authorised person entering the place under section 111(1)(a).

- (2) Before asking for the consent, the authorised person must tell the occupier—
 - (a) the purpose of the entry; and
 - (b) that the occupier is not required to consent.
- (3) If the consent is given, the authorised person may ask the occupier to sign an acknowledgement of the consent.
- (4) The acknowledgement must state—
 - (a) the occupier has been told—
 - (i) the purpose of the entry; and
 - (ii) that the occupier is not required to consent; and
 - (b) the purpose of the entry; and
 - (c) the occupier gives the authorised person consent to enter the place and exercise powers under this part; and
 - (d) the time and date the consent was given.
- (5) If the occupier signs the acknowledgement, the authorised person must immediately give a copy to the occupier.
- (6) If—
 - (a) an issue arises in a proceeding about whether the occupier consented to the entry; and
 - (b) an acknowledgement complying with subsection (4) for the entry is not produced in evidence;

the onus of proof is on the person relying on the lawfulness of the entry to prove the occupier consented.

- (7) If the occupier gives permission, the authorised person may stay on the property and exercise the powers that the occupier has agreed to be exercised on the property.
- (8) However, the right to stay on the property—

- (a) is subject to any conditions that the occupier imposes including, for example, about the times when the property may be entered; and
- (b) may be cancelled by the occupier at any time.

Subdivision 2 Warrants

117 Application for warrant

- (1) An authorised person may apply to a magistrate for a warrant for a place.
- (2) The authorised person must prepare a written application that states the grounds on which the warrant is sought.
- (3) The written application must be sworn.
- (4) The magistrate may refuse to consider the application until the authorised person gives the magistrate all the information the magistrate requires about the application in the way the magistrate requires.

Example—

The magistrate may require additional information supporting the written application to be given by statutory declaration.

118 Issue of warrant

- (1) The magistrate may issue the warrant for the place only if the magistrate is satisfied there are reasonable grounds for suspecting—
 - (a) there is a particular thing or activity (the *evidence*) that may provide evidence of an offence against this Act; and
 - (b) the evidence is at the place or, within the next 7 days, will be at the place.
- (2) The warrant must state—
 - (a) the place to which the warrant applies; and

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- (b) that a stated authorised person may, with necessary and reasonable help and force—
 - (i) enter the place and any other place necessary for entry to the place; and
 - (ii) exercise the authorised person’s powers under this part; and
- (c) particulars of the offence that the magistrate considers appropriate in the circumstances; and
- (d) the name of the person suspected of having committed the offence, unless the name is unknown or the magistrate considers it inappropriate to state the name; and
- (e) the evidence that may be seized under the warrant; and
- (f) the hours of the day or night when the place may be entered; and
- (g) the magistrate’s name; and
- (h) the date and time of the warrant’s issue; and
- (i) the date, within 14 days after the warrant’s issue, the warrant ends.

119 Application by electronic communication and duplicate warrant

- (1) An application under section 117 may be made by phone, fax, email, radio, videoconferencing or another form of electronic communication if the authorised person reasonably considers it necessary because of—
 - (a) urgent circumstances; or
 - (b) other special circumstances, including, for example, the authorised person’s remote location.
- (2) The application—
 - (a) may not be made before the authorised person prepares the written application under section 117(2); but

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- (b) may be made before the written application is sworn.
 - (3) The magistrate may issue the warrant (the *original warrant*) only if the magistrate is satisfied—
 - (a) it was necessary to make the application under subsection (1); and
 - (b) the way the application was made under subsection (1) was appropriate.
 - (4) After the magistrate issues the original warrant—
 - (a) if there is a reasonably practicable way of immediately giving a copy of the warrant to the authorised person, for example, by sending a copy by fax or email, the magistrate must immediately give a copy of the warrant to the authorised person; or
 - (b) otherwise—
 - (i) the magistrate must tell the authorised person the date and time the warrant is issued and the other terms of the warrant; and
 - (ii) the authorised person must complete a form of warrant, including by writing on it—
 - (A) the magistrate’s name; and
 - (B) the date and time the magistrate issued the warrant; and
 - (C) the other terms of the warrant.
 - (5) The copy of the warrant mentioned in subsection (4)(a), or the form of warrant completed under subsection (4)(b) (in either case the *duplicate warrant*), is a duplicate of, and as effectual as, the original warrant.
 - (6) The authorised person must, at the first reasonable opportunity, send to the magistrate—
 - (a) the written application complying with section 117(2) and (3); and

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- (b) if the authorised person completed a form of warrant under subsection (4)(b)—the completed form of warrant.
- (7) The magistrate must keep the original warrant and, on receiving the documents under subsection (6)—
 - (a) attach the documents to the original warrant; and
 - (b) give the original warrant and documents to the clerk of the court of the relevant magistrates court.
- (8) Despite subsection (5), if—
 - (a) an issue arises in a proceeding about whether an exercise of a power was authorised by a warrant issued under this section; and
 - (b) the original warrant is not produced in evidence;
the onus of proof is on the person relying on the lawfulness of the exercise of the power to prove a warrant authorised the exercise of the power.
- (9) This section does not limit section 117.
- (10) In this section—
relevant magistrates court, in relation to a magistrate, means the Magistrates Court that the magistrate constitutes under the *Magistrates Act 1991*.

120 Defect in relation to a warrant

A warrant is not invalidated by a defect in the warrant, or in compliance with section 117, 118 or 119, unless the defect affects the substance of the warrant in a material particular.

121 Warrants—procedure before entry

- (1) This section applies if an authorised person named in a warrant issued under this subdivision for a place is intending to enter the place under the warrant.

- (2) Before entering the place, the authorised person must do or make a reasonable attempt to do the following things—
 - (a) identify themselves to a person present at the place who is an occupier of the place by producing a copy of the authorised person's identity card or other document evidencing the authorised person's appointment;
 - (b) give the person a copy of the warrant;
 - (c) tell the person the authorised person is permitted by the warrant to enter the place;
 - (d) give the person an opportunity to allow the authorised person immediate entry to the place without using force.
- (3) However, the authorised person need not comply with subsection (2) if the authorised person believes on reasonable grounds that entry to the place is required to ensure the execution of the warrant is not frustrated.

Subdivision 3 Entry under other powers other than for public places

122 Procedure for other entries

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) an authorised person is intending to enter a place under section 111(1), other than paragraph (a) or (c), or 112; and
 - (b) the occupier of the place is present at the place.
- (2) Before entering the place, the authorised person must do or make a reasonable attempt to do the following things—
 - (a) comply with section 107 for the occupier;
 - (b) tell the occupier the purpose of the entry;
 - (c) tell the occupier the authorised person is permitted under this Act to enter the place without the occupier's consent.

Part 3 Powers on entry

123 General powers after entering places

- (1) An authorised person who has, under part 2, entered a place may—
 - (a) search any part of the place the authorised person is authorised, under section 111(1)(a) or (c), to search; or
 - (b) inspect, test, photograph or film anything in or on the place; or
 - (c) copy a document in or on the place; or
 - (d) take samples of or from anything in or on the place; or
 - (e) take into or onto the place any persons, equipment and materials the authorised person reasonably requires for exercising a power under this part; or
 - (f) require the occupier of the place, or a person in or on the place, to give the authorised person reasonable help to exercise the authorised person's powers under paragraphs (a) to (e).
- (2) This section does not apply to an authorised person who enters a place under section 111(4) to get the occupier's agreement unless the agreement is given or the entry is otherwise authorised.

124 Power to require reasonable help

- (1) A person required to give reasonable help under section 123(1)(f) must comply with the requirement unless the person has a reasonable excuse.
Maximum penalty—8 penalty units.
- (2) It is a reasonable excuse for a person not to comply with the requirement if complying with the requirement might tend to incriminate the person.

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- (3) However, subsection (2) does not apply if the requirement is to produce a document required to be kept by the person under this Act.

125 Seizure powers for dogs

- (1) If an authorised person has, under part 2, entered a place and the person reasonably suspects a dog mentioned in the part is at the place, the person may seize the dog if—
- (a) the person reasonably believes the dog—
 - (i) has attacked, threatened to attack or acted in a way that causes fear to, a person or another animal; or
 - (ii) is, or may be, a risk to community health or safety; or
 - (b) the person reasonably believes the dog is a prohibited dog; or
 - (c) if the dog is a regulated dog—a compliance notice has been given in relation to the dog and the person reasonably believes the notice has not been complied with.
- (2) Also, if the place is a public place, the person may seize the dog if no person is exercising effective control of the dog.

Part 4 Seized dogs

126 Application of pt 4

This part applies if an authorised person has, under section 125 or a warrant, seized a dog.

126A What is a *destruction order*

A *destruction order*, in relation to a dog, is an order made by an authorised person stating that the authorised person proposes to destroy the dog not earlier than 14 days after the notice is served under this part.

127 Destruction of regulated dog or prohibited dog in particular circumstances

- (1) This section applies if the dog is a regulated dog or a prohibited dog.
- (2) The authorised person may, without notice given to an owner of or responsible person for the dog, immediately destroy the dog if—
 - (a) the authorised person reasonably believes the dog is dangerous and the authorised person can not control the dog; or
 - (b) an owner of the dog has asked the authorised person to destroy the dog.
- (3) Also, the authorised person may destroy the dog not earlier than 3 days after seizing the dog if—
 - (a) the dog—
 - (i) has no registered owner, or apparently has no registered owner; and
 - (ii) is not the subject of a regulated dog declaration made by the relevant local government; and
 - (b) neither the authorised person nor the relevant local government knows who is an owner of, or a responsible person for, the dog.

127AA Destruction of regulated dog or prohibited dog under destruction order

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) the dog is a regulated dog or a prohibited dog; and

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- (b) section 127 does not authorise the destruction of the dog.
- (2) If the dog has seriously attacked a person or an animal, the authorised person must make a destruction order in relation to the dog.
- (3) If the dog has not seriously attacked a person or an animal, the authorised person may make a destruction order in relation to the dog.
- (4) The destruction order must—
- (a) be served on—
- (i) the registered owner of the dog; or
- (ii) if there is no registered owner of the dog—any person who is an owner of, or a responsible person for, the dog; and
- (b) include or be accompanied by an information notice about the decision to make the destruction order.
- (5) If a destruction order is made in relation to the dog, the authorised person may destroy the dog, not earlier than 14 days after the order is served under subsection (4) if an application has not been made under chapter 8, part 1 for an internal review of the decision to make the destruction order (the *destruction order decision*).
- (6) If an application for internal review has been made under chapter 8, part 1 for an internal review of the destruction order decision, the authorised person may destroy the dog if—
- (a) the application has been decided and both of the following apply—
- (i) the decision on the application confirms the destruction order decision;
- (ii) an application for an external review of the destruction order decision has not been made within the period allowed under the QCAT Act; or
- (b) the application has been withdrawn or has otherwise ended.

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- (7) If an application has been made for an external review of the destruction order decision, the authorised person may destroy the dog if—
- (a) the application has been decided and both of the following apply—
 - (i) the decision on the application (the *external review decision*) confirms the destruction order decision;
 - (ii) an appeal against the external review decision has not been started within the period allowed under the QCAT Act; or
 - (b) the application has been withdrawn or has otherwise ended.
- (8) If an appeal against the external review decision has been started, the authorised person may destroy the dog if—
- (a) the appeal has been decided and the effect of the decision is to confirm the external review decision; or
 - (b) the appeal has been withdrawn or has otherwise ended.
- (9) In this section—
- animal* has the meaning given by section 191.
- seriously attack* means—
- (a) in relation to a person—attack the person in a way that causes the death of, or grievous bodily harm or bodily harm to, the person; or
 - (b) in relation to an animal—attack the animal in a way that causes the death of the animal, or maims or wounds the animal.

127A Concurrent regulated dog declaration and destruction order

- (1) This section applies if a local government—
- (a) has made a regulated dog declaration under section 94 for the dog; but

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- (b) has not given the owner of the dog an information notice under section 95 about the decision to make the declaration.
 - (2) Even though the regulated dog declaration has not taken effect under section 95(3), an authorised officer may make a destruction order for the dog.
 - (3) As soon as practicable after deciding to make the destruction order for the dog, the authorised person must serve the destruction order on—
 - (a) the registered owner of the dog; or
 - (b) if there is no registered owner of the dog—a person who is an owner of, or a responsible person for, the dog.
 - (4) The destruction order must include or be accompanied by a single information notice about—
 - (a) the decision to make the regulated dog declaration under section 94(2); and
 - (b) the decision to make the destruction order.
 - (5) Section 127AA(5) to (8) applies to the destruction order.

128 Receipt for dog in particular circumstances

- (1) This section applies if the dog—
 - (a) has, or appears to have, a registered owner; or
 - (b) was seized from a person who had immediate control or custody of it.
- (2) The authorised person must, as soon as practicable after the seizure, give the registered owner or person a written receipt for the dog—
 - (a) generally describing the dog and its condition; and
 - (b) stating the dog has been seized.
- (3) If the registered owner is not present at the place at which the dog was seized and—

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- (a) the place is not a public place—the receipt may be given by leaving it at the place in a conspicuous position and in a reasonably secure way; or
- (b) the place is a public place—the receipt may be given by leaving it at the address stated on the registration notice for the dog.

129 Access to seized dog

- (1) This section applies until the dog is returned under section 130 or 131.
- (2) The authorised person must allow the owner of the dog to inspect it any reasonable time, from time to time.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not apply if it is impracticable or would be unreasonable to allow the inspection.
- (4) The inspection must be provided free of charge.

130 Return of particular dog

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) when the dog was seized the authorised person—
 - (i) reasonably suspected the dog was a regulated dog; or
 - (ii) reasonably suspected the dog was a prohibited dog; or
 - (iii) considered a proposed declaration notice should be given for the dog; and
 - (b) the person becomes satisfied the dog is not a dog mentioned in paragraph (a).
- (2) As soon as practicable after becoming so satisfied, the person must return the dog to any owner or other person entitled to possession of it.

131 Return of particular dog to registered owner

- (1) This section applies if the dog has, or appears to have, a registered owner and the dog—
 - (a) is a regulated dog; or
 - (b) is a dog for which a proposed declaration notice has been given; or
 - (c) was seized because an authorised person reasonably suspected the dog was a prohibited dog.
- (2) The authorised person must, within 14 days after the seizure, return the dog to the owner unless—
 - (a) the owner has surrendered the dog to the relevant local government; or
 - (b) a destruction order has been made in relation to the dog; or
 - (c) continued retention of the dog is needed as evidence for a proceeding or proposed proceeding for an offence involving the dog; or
 - (d) if the dog is a regulated dog—the authorised person is reasonably satisfied the owner or a responsible person for the dog has not complied with a condition imposed under chapter 4, part 5 in relation to the dog; or
 - (e) if the dog is a dog for which a proposed declaration notice has been given—a regulated dog declaration for the dog has not yet been made.
- (3) The authorised person must return the dog to the owner as soon as practicable if an event as follows happens—
 - (a) if a destruction order has been made for the dog—an application for internal review or external review of the order is made and, as a result of the review, the order is no longer in force;
 - (b) if subsection (2)(c) applies—the dog's continued retention as evidence is no longer required;

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- (c) if subsection (2)(d) applies—all of the conditions imposed under chapter 4, part 5 in relation to the dog are complied with for the dog;
- (d) if subsection (2)(e) applies—the regulated dog declaration for the dog has been made.

Part 5 **Compliance notices for regulated dog offences**

132 **Power to give compliance notice**

- (1) This section applies if an authorised person reasonably believes an owner of, or a responsible person for, a regulated dog has committed, is committing or is about to commit, an offence against chapter 4.
- (2) The authorised person may give the owner or responsible person notice (a *compliance notice*) requiring the owner or responsible person to—
 - (a) stop committing or not commit the offence; or
 - (b) take stated action to remedy the matter.
- (3) A compliance notice may also state—
 - (a) that an authorised person proposes, at a stated time or at stated intervals, to enter premises of which the owner or responsible person is the occupier to check compliance with the notice; or
 - (b) how the owner or responsible person may show the action has been taken.

133 **Requirements for giving compliance notice**

- (1) A compliance notice must be written and state the following—

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- (a) the name of the authorised person giving it;
 - (b) the local government that appointed the person;
 - (c) that the authorised person believes the owner or responsible person given the notice has committed, is committing or is about to commit, an offence against chapter 4;
 - (d) the nature of the offence;
 - (e) that the owner or responsible person must—
 - (i) stop committing or not commit the offence; or
 - (ii) take stated required action;
 - (f) a reasonable period within which any required action must be taken.
- (2) Despite subsection (1), a compliance notice may be given orally if—
- (a) either—
 - (i) the authorised person giving the notice reasonably believes continued commission of the offence needs to be stopped, or the required action needs to be taken, urgently; or
 - (ii) for any reason it is not practicable to immediately give the notice in writing; and
 - (b) the authorised person gives the owner or responsible person an offence warning.
- (3) If a compliance notice is given orally, the authorised person giving the notice must confirm the notice by also giving it in writing as soon as practicable after giving it orally.
- (4) In this section—

offence warning, for a notice under subsection (2), means a warning that, without a reasonable excuse, it is an offence for the person to whom the notice is given not to comply with it.

134 Failure to comply with compliance notice

- (1) A person to whom a compliance notice has been given must comply with the notice unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—150 penalty units.

Note—

See, however, the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, section 45.

- (2) It is a reasonable excuse if, when the notice was given, the person had not committed, was not committing or was not about to commit, the offence stated in the notice.

Part 6 Miscellaneous provisions

135 References in ch 5 to local government and authorised person

- (1) In a provision of this chapter about a local government, a reference to an authorised person is a reference to an authorised person appointed by the local government.
- (2) In a provision of this chapter about an authorised person, a reference to a local government is a reference to the local government that appointed the authorised person.

136 Impersonating authorised person

A person must not pretend to be an authorised person.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

137 Obstruction of authorised person

- (1) A person must not obstruct an authorised person in the exercise of a power unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

- (2) If a person has obstructed an authorised person and the authorised person decides to proceed with the exercise of the power, the authorised person must warn the person that—
 - (a) it is an offence to obstruct the authorised person unless the person has a reasonable excuse; and
 - (b) the authorised person considers the person's conduct an obstruction.
- (3) In this section—

obstruct includes assault, hinder, resist and attempt or threaten to obstruct.

138 Authorised person may ask police officer for help in exercising particular powers

- (1) For exercising a power under section 111(1)(g), 112, 123 or 125 (each the **relevant provision**), an authorised person is declared to be a public official for the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000*.

Note—

For the powers of a police officer while helping a public official, see the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000*, section 16.

- (2) If asked by an authorised person, a police officer may exercise the power under the relevant provision—
 - (a) with the help that is reasonable in the circumstances; and
 - (b) using the force that is reasonable in the circumstances; and
 - (c) as soon as reasonably practicable ensure reasonable help is given.
- (3) For giving the help, a police officer is taken to have responded to a request by a public official under the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000*, section 16(3).
- (4) In exercising a power under the relevant provision, the authorised person must, to the extent that it is reasonable and

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practicable in the circumstances, explain to the police officer—

- (a) the powers the authorised person has under the relevant provision; and
 - (b) the reasons for exercising the powers.
- (5) Failure to comply with subsection (4) does not affect the validity of the exercise of the power.

139 Power to require name and address

- (1) An authorised person may require a person to state the person's name and residential or business address if the authorised person—
- (a) finds a person committing an offence against this Act; or
 - (b) finds a person in circumstances that lead the authorised person to reasonably suspect the person has just committed an offence against this Act; or
 - (c) has information that leads the authorised person to reasonably suspect a person has just committed an offence against this Act.
- (2) When making the requirement, the authorised person must give the person an offence warning.
- (3) The authorised person may also require the person to give evidence of the correctness of the stated name or required address if, in the circumstances, it would be reasonable to expect the person to—
- (a) be in possession of evidence of the correctness of the stated name or address; or
 - (b) otherwise be able to give the evidence.
- (4) A requirement under this section is called a *personal details requirement*.
- (5) In this section—
- offence warning*, for a requirement under subsection (2), means a warning that, without a reasonable excuse, it is an

offence for the person to whom the requirement is made not to comply with it.

140 Failure to comply with personal details requirement

- (1) A person of whom a personal details requirement has been made must comply with the requirement unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

- (2) It is a reasonable excuse if—
- (a) the requirement was given because the authorised person giving it suspected the person has committed an offence against this Act; and
 - (b) the person is not proved to have committed the offence.

140A Power to require information

- (1) This section applies if an authorised person reasonably believes—
- (a) an offence against this Act has been committed; and
 - (b) a person may be able to give information about the offence.
- (2) The authorised person may, by notice given to the person, require the person to give the authorised person information related to the offence by a stated reasonable time.
- (3) For information that is an electronic document, compliance with the requirement requires the giving of a clear image or written version of the electronic document.
- (4) In this section—
information includes a document.

140B Offence to contravene information requirement

- (1) A person of whom a requirement is made under section 140A must comply with the requirement unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

- (2) It is a reasonable excuse for an individual not to give the information if giving the information might tend to incriminate the individual or expose the individual to a penalty.

141 Authorised person to give notice of damage

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) an authorised person damages anything in the exercise of a power under chapter 4 or this chapter; or
 - (b) a person who is authorised by an authorised person to take action under chapter 4 or this chapter damages anything in taking the action.
- (2) The authorised person must, as soon as practicable, give notice of the particulars of the damage to the person who appears to be the thing's owner.
- (3) However, if for any reason it is not practicable to comply with subsection (2), the authorised person must leave the notice, in a reasonably secure way and in a conspicuous position, at the place where the damage happened.
- (4) If the authorised person believes the damage was caused by a latent defect in the thing or other circumstances beyond the authorised person's control, the authorised person may state this in the notice.
- (5) This section does not apply to damage the authorised person believes, on reasonable grounds, is trivial.
- (6) In this section—

owner of a thing includes the person in possession or control of the thing.

142 Compensation

- (1) A person may claim compensation if the person incurs loss or expense because of the exercise or purported exercise of a power under this chapter other than because of the seizure or destruction, under this chapter, of a regulated dog.
- (2) Compensation may be claimed and ordered in a proceeding for—
 - (a) compensation brought in a court of competent jurisdiction; or
 - (b) an offence against this Act brought against the person making the claim for compensation.
- (3) A court may order compensation in a proceeding to be paid only if it is satisfied it is just to make the order in the circumstances of the particular case.
- (4) A regulation may prescribe matters that may, or must, be taken into account by the court when considering whether it is just to make the order mentioned subsection (3).

Chapter 6 PPID registry licences

Part 1 How licence is obtained

143 Application for licence

- (1) A person may apply to the chief executive for a licence.
- (2) The application must be—
 - (a) in the approved form; and
 - (b) accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation.

144 What application must state

The application must state the following—

- (a) the name and address of the applicant;
- (b) an address in the State for service of documents;
- (c) the address of the applicant's principal place of business;
- (d) the names of the individuals to be involved in the day to day running of the applicant's business as a licence holder;
- (e) the qualifications and experience of the applicant and the individuals relevant to offering or providing a PPID registry service.

145 Consideration of application

The chief executive must consider the application and either grant, or refuse to grant, the application.

146 Criteria for granting application

The chief executive may grant the application only if the chief executive is satisfied the applicant is a suitable person to be a licence holder.

147 Suitability of person to be licence holder

In deciding whether an applicant is a suitable person to be a licence holder, the chief executive may have regard to—

- (a) whether the person, or an individual engaged or employed by the person, has a conviction for a relevant offence, other than a spent conviction; and
- (b) whether the person, or an individual engaged or employed by the person—
 - (i) held a licence under this division, or a licence relating to offering or providing a PPID registry

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- service under a corresponding law, that was suspended or cancelled; or
- (ii) has been refused a licence or a licence relating to offering or providing a PPID registry service under a corresponding law; and
 - (c) the matters required to be stated in the application for a licence under section 144; and
 - (d) anything else relevant to the person's ability to conduct business as a licence holder.

148 Inquiries into application for licence

- (1) Before deciding the application, the chief executive—
 - (a) may make inquiries to decide the suitability of the applicant to be a licence holder; and
 - (b) may, by notice, require the applicant to give the chief executive within the reasonable time of at least 28 days stated in the notice, further information or a document the chief executive reasonably requires to decide the application.
- (2) However, the notice may be given to the applicant only within 28 days after the chief executive receives the application.
- (3) The notice may require the information or document to be verified by a statutory declaration.
- (4) The applicant is taken to have withdrawn the application if, within the stated time, the applicant does not comply with a requirement under subsection (1)(b).

149 Decision on application for licence

- (1) If the chief executive decides to grant the application, the chief executive must issue a licence to the applicant.
- (2) The chief executive may impose conditions on the licence not inconsistent with the mandatory conditions.

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- (3) If the chief executive decides to refuse to grant the licence, or to impose conditions on the licence, the chief executive must give the applicant an information notice for the decision.

150 Failure to decide application for licence

- (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), if the chief executive does not decide the application within 28 days after its receipt, the chief executive is taken to have decided to refuse to grant the application.
- (2) Subsection (3) applies if—
 - (a) a person has made an application for a licence; and
 - (b) the chief executive has under section 148(1)(b), required the applicant to give the chief executive further information or a document.
- (3) The chief executive is taken to have refused to grant the application if the chief executive does not decide the application within 28 days after the chief executive receives the further information or document.
- (4) If the application is refused under this section, the applicant is entitled to be given an information notice for the decision by the chief executive.

151 Duration of licence

- (1) A licence becomes effective on the day the licence is issued or on the day of the licence's renewal and ends on the day (the *expiry day*) either 1, 2 or 3 years after that day.
- (2) The chief executive must decide the expiry day.

Part 2 Provisions of licence

152 Mandatory conditions for licences

A licence is subject to the following conditions (the *mandatory conditions*)—

- (a) the licence holder for the licence must comply with this Act;
- (b) the holder must ensure the licence, or a copy of the licence, is displayed at the holder's principal place of business so that it is easily visible to a person as the person enters the place.

153 Licence holder must comply with licence conditions

- (1) A licence holder must not contravene a condition of the holder's licence.

Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.

- (2) The penalty under subsection (1) may be imposed whether or not the licence is suspended or cancelled because of the contravention.

154 Form of licence

A licence must state the following particulars—

- (a) the licence holder's name;
- (b) the address of the holder's principal place of business;
- (c) the day the licence becomes effective;
- (d) the day the licence expires;
- (e) the licence number;
- (f) its conditions other than the mandatory conditions.

Part 3 Renewal of licences

155 Application for renewal of licence

- (1) A licence holder may apply to the chief executive for the renewal of the holder's licence.
- (2) The application must be—
 - (a) made at least 28 days before the licence ends; and
 - (b) in the approved form; and
 - (c) accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation.
- (3) The chief executive must consider the application and renew, or refuse to renew, the licence.
- (4) In deciding whether to grant the application, the chief executive may have regard to the matters to which the chief executive may have regard in deciding whether an applicant for the licence is a suitable person to be a licence holder.
- (5) The chief executive may impose conditions on the renewed licence not inconsistent with the mandatory conditions.
- (6) If the chief executive decides to refuse to renew the licence, or to impose conditions on the licence, the chief executive must give the holder an information notice for the decision.
- (7) A licence may be renewed by—
 - (a) endorsing the existing licence; or
 - (b) cancelling the existing licence and issuing another licence.

156 Inquiries into application for renewal of licence

- (1) Before deciding the application, the chief executive may, by notice, require the holder to give the chief executive, within a reasonable period of at least 28 days stated in the notice, further information or a document the chief executive reasonably requires to decide the application.

- (2) The holder is taken to have withdrawn the application if, within the stated period, the holder does not comply with the requirement.

157 Licence taken to be in force while renewal application is considered

- (1) If an application is made under section 155, the holder's licence is taken to continue in force from the day that it would, apart from this section, have expired until the application is decided under section 155 or taken to have been withdrawn under section 156(2).
- (2) However, if the application is refused, the licence continues in force until the information notice for the decision is given to the holder.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply if the licence is earlier suspended or cancelled.

Part 4 Amendment of licences

158 Application for amendment of licence

- (1) A licence holder may apply to the chief executive for an amendment of the holder's licence including any conditions imposed by the chief executive.
- (2) The application must be—
 - (a) in the approved form; and
 - (b) accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation.
- (3) The chief executive must consider the application and amend, or refuse to amend, the licence.
- (4) If the chief executive decides to make the amendment, the chief executive may impose a condition on the licence not inconsistent with the mandatory conditions.

161 Grounds for suspension or cancellation

- (1) Each of the following is a ground for suspending or cancelling a licence—
 - (a) the licence holder is not, or is no longer, a suitable person to hold the licence;
 - (b) the holder has contravened a condition of the licence;
 - (c) the licence was issued because of a materially false or misleading representation or declaration.
- (2) For forming a belief that the ground mentioned in subsection (1)(a) exists, the chief executive may have regard to the matters to which the chief executive may have regard in deciding whether a proposed licence holder is a suitable person to hold the licence.

Note—

See section 147 for the matters to which the chief executive may have regard in deciding whether a proposed licence holder is a suitable person to be a licence holder.

162 Show cause notice

- (1) The chief executive must give the holder a notice under this section (a *show cause notice*).
- (2) The show cause notice must state—
 - (a) the proposed action; and
 - (b) the grounds for the proposed action; and
 - (c) an outline of the facts and circumstances forming the basis for the grounds; and
 - (d) if the proposed action is suspension of the licence—the proposed suspension period; and
 - (e) an invitation to the holder to show within a stated period (the *show cause period*) why the proposed action should not be taken.
- (3) The show cause period must be a period ending at least 21 days after the show cause notice is given to the holder.

163 Representations about show cause notices

- (1) The holder may, within the show cause period, make written representations to the chief executive about why the proposed action should not be taken.
- (2) The chief executive must consider all representations (the *accepted representations*) made under subsection (1).

164 Ending show cause process without further action

- (1) This section applies if, after considering the accepted representations, the chief executive no longer believes a ground exists to take the proposed action.
- (2) The chief executive must not take any further action about the show cause notice.
- (3) The chief executive must give the holder a notice stating that the proposed action will not be taken.

165 Suspension or cancellation

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) there are accepted representations and, after considering them, the chief executive still believes a ground exists to take the proposed action; or
 - (b) there are no accepted representations.
- (2) If the chief executive believes suspension or cancellation of the licence is warranted, the chief executive may—
 - (a) if the proposed action was suspension—suspend the licence for no longer than the stated period; or
 - (b) if the proposed action was cancellation—either cancel the licence or suspend it for a stated period.
- (3) The chief executive must give an information notice for the decision to the holder.
- (4) The decision takes effect on the later of the following days—
 - (a) the day the information notice is given to the holder;

- (b) the day stated in the information notice for that purpose.

166 Immediate suspension

- (1) The chief executive may suspend the licence immediately if the chief executive believes—
- (a) a ground exists to suspend the licence; and
 - (b) it is necessary to suspend the licence immediately because there is an immediate and serious risk of harm to the effectiveness of the identification of cats or dogs, and registration of dogs, under this Act.
- (2) The suspension—
- (a) must be effected by an information notice for the decision given by the chief executive to the holder to suspend the licence together with a show cause notice; and
 - (b) operates immediately the notices are given; and
 - (c) continues to operate until the earliest of the following happens—
 - (i) the chief executive cancels the remaining period of the suspension;
 - (ii) the show cause notice is finally dealt with;
 - (iii) 28 days have passed since the notices were given to the holder.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies if—
- (a) a suspension under this section stops because—
 - (i) the chief executive cancels the remaining period of the suspension; or
 - (ii) the show cause notice is finally dealt with by a decision being made not to cancel or suspend the licence; or
 - (iii) 28 days have passed since the notices mentioned in subsection (2)(a) were given to the holder; and

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- (b) the holder has returned the holder's licence to the chief executive under section 167.
- (4) The chief executive must, as soon as practicable, give the licence to the holder.

167 Return of suspended or cancelled licence to chief executive

- (1) This section applies if the chief executive has suspended or cancelled a licence and given an information notice for the decision to the holder of the licence.
- (2) The holder must return the licence to the chief executive within 7 days after receiving the information notice unless the holder has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

168 Effect of suspension or cancellation of licence

- (1) This section applies if a licence is suspended, cancelled or otherwise ends (the *termination*).
- (2) The licence holder must, within 5 days after the termination, give to the chief executive all records kept or maintained for the purposes of the PPID registry service offered or provided by the holder.

Part 6 Other provisions about licences

169 Surrender of licence

- (1) A licence holder may surrender the holder's licence by notice given to the chief executive.
- (2) The holder's licence must accompany the notice.

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- (3) The surrender takes effect on the later of the following—
 - (a) the day the notice is given;
 - (b) the day stated in the notice.

170 Application for replacement of licence

- (1) A licence holder may apply for a replacement of the holder's licence if the licence has been damaged, destroyed, lost or stolen.
- (2) The application must—
 - (a) be made to the chief executive; and
 - (b) include information about the circumstances in which the licence was damaged, destroyed, lost or stolen; and
 - (c) be accompanied by the fee prescribed under a regulation for the application.

171 Decision about application for replacement of licence

- (1) The chief executive must consider the application and either grant, or refuse to grant, the application.
- (2) The chief executive must grant the application if the chief executive is satisfied the licence has been damaged, destroyed, lost or stolen in a way to require its replacement.
- (3) If the chief executive decides to grant the application, the chief executive must, as soon as practicable, issue another licence to the applicant to replace the damaged, destroyed, lost or stolen licence.
- (4) If the chief executive decides to refuse to grant the application, the chief executive must give the applicant an information notice for the decision.

Chapter 7 Registers

Part 1 Registers kept by chief executive

Division 1 Registers to be kept

172 Chief executive must keep regulated dog register

- (1) The chief executive must keep a register of regulated dogs (the *regulated dog register*).
- (2) The regulated dog register must contain the information about a regulated dog given to the chief executive by a chief executive officer of a local government under sections 174 and 175.

172A Chief executive must keep licence holder register

- (1) The chief executive must keep a register of licence holders (the *licence holder register*).
- (2) The licence holder register must contain the information about a licence holder required, under section 154, to be stated on the holder's licence.

172B Chief executive must keep breeder register

- (1) The chief executive must keep a register of persons who breed dogs (the *breeder register*).
- (2) The breeder register must contain the following information—
 - (a) for each person who is registered as a registered breeder—
 - (i) the designated details of the person; and
 - (ii) the person's breeder ID number; and

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- (iii) the date on which the registration ends;
 - (b) the information mentioned in section 43W(2)(d)(i) that is given to the chief executive about a person who becomes an accredited breeder of an approved entity;
 - (c) the information mentioned in section 43W(2)(d)(ii) that is given to the chief executive about a person who ceases to be an accredited breeder of an approved entity;
 - (d) the information mentioned in section 43W(2)(d)(iii) that is given to the chief executive about a change in the designated details of an accredited breeder of an approved entity;
 - (e) for each exemption number issued under chapter 2B, part 5 for a dog—
 - (i) the designated details of the eligible person in relation to the dog; and
 - (ii) whether the eligible person is an eligible person in relation to the dog under section 43ZG, 43ZH or 43ZI; and
 - (iii) the exemption number; and
 - (iv) a description of the dog; and
 - (v) the date the exemption number was issued.
- (3) Information mentioned in subsection (2) must be kept in the breeder register until at least—
- (a) if the information is about a person who was a registered breeder—the person has not been a registered breeder for 5 years; or
 - (b) if the information is about a person who was an accredited breeder of an approved entity—the person has not been an accredited breeder of an approved entity for at least 5 years; or
 - (c) if the information is about an exemption number issued under chapter 2B, part 5 for a dog—5 years after the exemption number was issued.

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172C Chief executive may decide way registers to be kept

The chief executive may keep a register mentioned in section 172, 172A or 172B in the way the chief executive considers appropriate, including, for example, in electronic form.

Division 2 Publication of particular information contained in registers

172D Licence holder register

The chief executive may publish information contained in the publicly available part of the licence holder register at the times and in the way the chief executive decides.

172E Breeder register

- (1) The chief executive must publish the publicly available part of the breeder register on the online breeder registration system.

Note—

See section 173C in relation to personal information that must not be included in the publicly available part of the breeder register or published on the online breeder registration system.

- (2) In this section—

publicly available part, of the breeder register, means the part of the register containing the following information for a person who is a registered breeder or an accredited breeder of an approved entity—

- (a) the person's name;
- (b) the person's breeder ID number or accreditation number;
- (c) the date the person's registration or accreditation ends;
- (d) the local government area in which—

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- (i) if the person is an individual—the person’s place of residence is located; or
 - (ii) if the person is a body corporate—the body corporate’s place of business, head office or registered office is located;
- (e) the person’s telephone number or email address, as decided by the person.

Division 3 Inspection of registers

173 Who may inspect regulated dog register

- (1) The following persons may inspect information kept in the regulated dog register—
 - (a) the chief executive or a person engaged or employed by the chief executive to perform functions under this Act;
 - (b) the chief executive officer of a local government or a person engaged or employed by the local government to perform functions under this Act;
 - (c) an authorised person performing functions under this Act.
- (2) The following persons may inspect information about a particular regulated dog kept in the register—
 - (a) the owner of the dog, to confirm details relating to the dog and its owner;
 - (b) a person to whom the owner of the dog has given consent in writing, to confirm details relating to the dog and its owner;
 - (c) a veterinary surgeon to confirm whether the dog the surgeon is treating or proposes to treat is a regulated dog;
 - (d) a licence holder in offering or providing a PPID registry service, to confirm whether the dog is a regulated dog;

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- (e) the operator of a pound or shelter, to confirm whether the dog is a regulated dog;
 - (f) a person engaged or employed by a person referred to in paragraph (c), (d) or (e) (each a *relevant paragraph*) in carrying out the persons duties, for the purpose set out in the relevant paragraph.
- (3) However, a person mentioned in subsection (2) may inspect the register only for the purpose applying to the person stated in the subsection.

173A Who may inspect licence holder register

A person may, free of charge, inspect the information contained in the publicly available part of the licence holder register at the department's head office during normal business hours.

173B Who may inspect breeder register

- (1) The following persons may inspect the information contained in the breeder register—
- (a) the chief executive or a person engaged, employed or appointed by the chief executive to perform functions under this Act or the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*;
Example of a person appointed to perform a function under the Animal Care and Protection Act 2001—
an individual employed by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Queensland Incorporated who is appointed as an inspector under the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*, section 114
 - (b) the chief executive officer of a local government or a person engaged, employed or appointed by the local government to perform functions under this Act or the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*;
 - (c) a police officer who is—

- (i) monitoring or enforcing compliance with this Act or the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*; or
 - (ii) performing the police officer's functions in relation to an animal or an animal welfare offence;
 - (d) an authorised officer under the *Racing Integrity Act 2016* who is performing the authorised officer's functions in relation to an animal or an animal welfare offence.
- (2) Also, a person may, free of charge, inspect the information contained in the publicly available part of the breeder register at the department's head office during normal business hours.

173C Personal information on breeder register

- (1) This section applies if the chief executive is satisfied someone's personal safety would be put at risk if particular information (for example, the person's address or other contact details) were included in the breeder register.
- (2) The chief executive must ensure the information is not included in—
 - (a) the publicly available part of the breeder register; or
 - (b) a copy of information from the breeder register, whether or not the information is from the publicly available part of the register.
- (3) Also, despite section 172E(1), the chief executive must ensure the information is not published on the online breeder registration system.

173D Requesting copy of information

- (1) A person who, under section 173(2), 173A or 173B(2), inspects information kept in the register mentioned in that section, may ask for a copy of the information.

Note—

See section 173C in relation to personal information that must not be included in a copy of information from the breeder register.

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- (2) The person asking for the copy must pay the fee decided by the chief executive for the copy.
- (3) The fee decided by the chief executive must not be more than the reasonable cost of producing the copy.

Division 4 Giving of information

174 Chief executive officer must give information

- (1) This section applies if a local government makes a regulated dog declaration for a dog in the local government's area.
- (2) The chief executive officer of the local government must give the chief executive notice of the regulated dog declaration.
- (3) The notice must—
 - (a) be given to the chief executive within 7 days after the regulated dog declaration is made for the dog; and
 - (b) state all of the following information relating to the dog—
 - (i) the information stated in the registration notice for the dog;
 - (ii) the information stated in an information notice given under section 95 about the decision to make the regulated dog declaration for the dog;
 - (iii) any other information prescribed under a regulation.

175 Chief executive officer must give information about owner

- (1) This section applies if an owner of a regulated dog gives the chief executive officer of the relevant local government for the dog notice under section 54 of changed information in relation to the dog.

- (2) The chief executive officer must, within 7 days after being given notice of the changed information, give the chief executive notice of the changed information.

176 Chief executive may ask for confirmation of particular information

- (1) The chief executive may give notice (the *request*) to the chief executive officer of a local government that the chief executive seeks a notice (the *response*) about whether particular information is still accurate according to the records kept by the chief executive officer.
- (2) The request may be made only once in a period of 12 months.
- (3) The chief executive officer must give the chief executive the response within 28 days after receiving the request.
- (4) In this section—
information means information—
 - (a) the chief executive officer has already given the chief executive under section 174 or 175; and
 - (b) set out in the request.

Part 2 Registers kept by local government

177 Registers comprising dog registry

- (1) The chief executive officer of each local government must keep the following registers about dogs usually kept or proposed to be kept in the local government's area—
 - (a) a general register;
 - (b) another register prescribed under a regulation.

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- (2) The registers are collectively called the *dog registry* of the local government.

178 General register

The general register must include all of the following information for each dog mentioned in section 177(1)—

- (a) the information about the dog and its owner stated in a registration notice for the dog, given under section 49;
- (b) if the dog is a regulated dog—
 - (i) the information required to be stated in an information notice under section 95(4) in relation to the dog; and
 - (ii) the number recorded on its collar, identification tag, registration tag or tattoo for desexing;
- (c) other information the local government considers appropriate.

179 Public access to registers

- (1) A local government must keep its dog registry open to inspection at the public office of the local government.
- (2) However, subsection (1) does not apply for information about an owner of a dog required to be stated in a registration notice for the dog.

Chapter 8 Reviews and appeals

Part 1 Internal review of decisions

180 Internal review process before external review

Every review of an original decision must be, in the first instance, by way of an application for internal review.

181 Who may apply for internal review

- (1) An interested person for an original decision made by the chief executive under any of the following provisions may apply to the chief executive for an internal review of the decision (a *designated review application*)—
 - (a) chapter 2, part 1, division 3, subdivision 3;
 - (b) chapter 2A, part 2, division 4;
 - (c) chapter 2B, part 5;
 - (d) chapter 6.
- (2) An interested person for an original decision made by a local government or authorised person appointed by a local government may apply to the chief executive officer of the local government for an internal review of the decision (a *general review application*).

182 Requirements for making designated review application

- (1) A designated review application must be—
 - (a) in the approved form; and
 - (b) supported by enough information to enable the chief executive to decide the application; and
 - (c) made within 14 days after the applicant is given the information notice about the original decision the subject of the application.

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- (2) However, the chief executive may, at any time, extend the time for making a designated review application.

183 Requirements for making general review application

- (1) A general review application must be—
 - (a) in the approved form; and
 - (b) supported by enough information to enable the chief executive officer to decide the application; and
 - (c) made within 14 days after the applicant is given the information notice about the original decision the subject of the application.
- (2) However, the chief executive officer may, at any time, extend the time for making a general review application.

184 Stay of operation of original decision

- (1) A designated review application or general review application does not stay the original decision the subject of the application.
- (2) However the applicant may, immediately after being given the information notice for the original decision, apply, as provided under the QCAT Act, to QCAT for a stay of the original decision.
- (3) QCAT may stay the original decision to secure the effectiveness of the internal review and a later application to QCAT for external review.
- (4) A stay may be granted on conditions QCAT considers appropriate.
- (5) However, if the original decision relates to a dangerous dog declaration, a condition must be imposed that each owner of, and responsible person for, the dog must, until the internal review and any external review and appeal are decided, ensure the requirements under schedule 1, section 3, are complied with for the dog the subject of the declaration.

Note—

See also section 67 for the prohibition on supplying a regulated dog or a proposed declared dog.

- (6) The period of the stay must not extend past the time when—
 - (a) if the chief executive makes a designated review decision about the original decision—the chief executive makes the decision and any later period QCAT allows the applicant to enable the applicant to apply for an external review of the internal review decision; or
 - (b) if the chief executive officer of a local government makes an internal review decision about the original decision—the chief executive officer makes the decision and any later period QCAT allows the applicant to enable the applicant to apply for an external review of the internal review decision.
- (7) A designated review application or general review application affects the original decision, or carrying out of the decision, only if the decision is stayed.

185 Designated review decision

- (1) The chief executive must, within 20 days after receiving a designated review application made under section 182—
 - (a) conduct an internal review of the original decision the subject of the application; and
 - (b) make a decision (the *designated review decision*) to—
 - (i) confirm the original decision; or
 - (ii) amend the original decision; or
 - (iii) substitute another decision for the original decision.
- (2) The application must not be dealt with by—
 - (a) the person who made the original decision; or
 - (b) a person in a less senior office than the person who made the original decision.

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- (3) Subsection (2)—
 - (a) applies despite the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, section 27A; and
 - (b) does not apply to an original decision made by the chief executive personally.
- (4) If the designated review decision confirms the original decision, for the purpose of an application for external review, the original decision is taken to be the designated review decision.
- (5) If the designated review decision amends the original decision, for the purpose of an application for external review, the original decision as amended is taken to be the designated review decision.

185A Internal review of concurrent regulated dog declaration and destruction order

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) an interested person is given an information notice under section 127A(4) about a decision to make a regulated dog declaration and a decision to give a destruction order for a dog; and
 - (b) the person makes a general review application for both the decisions.
- (2) The chief executive officer of a local government that received the application may conduct an internal review of the decisions at the same time under section 186.

186 Other internal review decisions

- (1) The chief executive officer of a local government must, within 20 days after receiving a general review application made under section 183—
 - (a) conduct an internal review of the original decision the subject of the application; and

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- (b) make a decision (the *internal review decision*) to—
 - (i) confirm the original decision; or
 - (ii) amend the original decision; or
 - (iii) substitute another decision for the original decision.
 - (2) The application must not be dealt with by—
 - (a) the person who made the original decision; or
 - (b) a person in a less senior office than the person who made the original decision.
 - (3) Subsection (2)—
 - (a) applies despite the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, section 27A; and
 - (b) does not apply to an original decision made by the chief executive officer of the local government personally.
 - (4) If the internal review decision confirms the original decision, for the purpose of an application for external review, the original decision is taken to be the internal review decision.
 - (5) If the internal review decision amends the original decision, for the purpose of an application for external review, the original decision as amended is taken to be the internal review decision.

187 Notice of designated decision or internal review decision

- (1) The chief executive must, within 10 days after making a designated review decision, give the applicant notice (the *review notice*) of the review decision.
- (2) The chief executive officer of a local government must, within 10 days after making an internal review decision, give the applicant notice (also the *review notice*) of the internal review decision.
- (3) If the internal review decision or designated review decision is not the decision sought by the applicant, the review notice

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must include or be accompanied by a notice complying with the QCAT Act, section 157(2) for the decision.

- (4) If the chief executive does not give the review notice within the 10 days, the chief executive is taken to have made a decision confirming the original decision.
- (5) If the chief executive officer of the local government does not give the review notice within the 10 days, the chief executive officer is taken to have made a decision confirming the original decision.

Part 2 External reviews

188 Who may apply for external review

A person who is given, or is entitled to be given, a review notice for a decision under part 1 may apply, as provided under the QCAT Act, for an external review of the decision.

189 Condition on stay granted by QCAT for particular decisions

- (1) This section applies if a person makes an application for external review to QCAT for a decision about a dangerous dog declaration.
- (2) If, under the QCAT Act, section 22(3) QCAT decides to grant a stay of the decision, QCAT must impose a condition on the stay that each of the following persons must, until the external review is decided, ensure the requirements under schedule 1, section 3 are complied with for the dog the subject of the declaration—
 - (a) the owner of the dog;
 - (b) a responsible person for the dog.

Note—

See also section 67 for the prohibition on supplying a regulated dog or a proposed declared dog.

Part 3 Appeals

190 Appeal against QCAT decision on external review relating to destruction order only on question of law

- (1) This section applies in relation to a decision made by QCAT in a proceeding for the external review of a decision under section 127, 127AA or 127A to make a destruction order in relation to a dog.
- (2) An appeal against QCAT's decision in the proceeding may be made only on a question of law.

Chapter 9 Miscellaneous provisions

Part 1 General offences

191 Definitions for part

In this part—

animal does not include vermin that are not the property of anyone.

Examples of vermin that are someone's property—

- a pet mouse or guinea pig
- vermin that are protected animals under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, part 5, division 3

dog patrol category see the Security Providers Act 1993, schedule 2.

effective control, of a dog, see section 192.

relevant person, for a dog, means—

- (a) the owner of the dog; or
- (b) a responsible person for the dog.

security officer has the meaning given by the Security Providers Act 1993, section 7.

security patrol dog means a dog used in the dog patrol category of functions of a security officer.

serious dog offence means an offence against any of the following provisions—

- (a) section 193, if the circumstances mentioned in paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) of the penalty apply;
- (b) section 194, if the circumstances mentioned in paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) of the penalty apply;
- (c) section 195(1), if the circumstances mentioned in paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) of the penalty apply.

192 What is ***effective control***

- (1) A relevant person for a dog that is a regulated dog exercises ***effective control*** of the dog if—
 - (a) all of the following apply—
 - (i) the person is physically able to control the dog;
 - (ii) the person is in control of only that dog;
 - (iii) either—
 - (A) the person is restraining the dog by holding the dog by a leash, lead or other restraining device that is appropriate to restrain the dog in a way that ensures the dog is not a risk to a person or an animal; or

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- (B) the dog is securely tethered to a fixed object in a way that ensures the dog is not a risk to a person or an animal and is under the continuous supervision of the person; or
 - (b) the dog is being kept in an enclosed part of a vehicle and is enclosed or restrained in a way that prevents the dog, or any part of the dog, moving outside the enclosed part of the vehicle; or
 - (c) the dog is participating in, or being exhibited or trained at, an exhibition, race meeting, race trial or obedience trial supervised by a body that is—
 - (i) recognised by the State as an appropriate body to supervise the exhibition, meeting or trial and published on the department’s website; or
 - (ii) recognised by the local government in whose local government area the exhibition, meeting or trial is held as an appropriate body to supervise the exhibition, meeting or trial and published on the local government’s website.
- (2) A relevant person for a dog, other than a regulated dog, exercises *effective control* of the dog if—
- (a) for a dog in a public place that is an off-leash area—the person is able to supervise the dog and control the dog by using voice command; or
 - (b) for a dog in another public place—
 - (i) the person is physically able to control the dog; and
 - (ii) 1 of the following applies—
 - (A) the person is restraining the dog by holding the dog by a leash, lead or other restraining device;
 - (B) the dog is securely tethered to a fixed object and is under the continuous supervision of the person;

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- (C) the dog is kept in an appropriate temporary enclosure that contains the dog's movement and is under the continuous supervision of the person; or
- (c) the dog is being confined or tethered in, or on, a vehicle in a way that prevents the dog moving any part of its body beyond the vehicle; or
- (d) the dog is participating in, or being exhibited or trained at, an exhibition, race meeting, race trial or obedience trial supervised by a body that is—
 - (i) recognised by the State as an appropriate body to supervise the exhibition, meeting or trial and published on the department's website; or
 - (ii) recognised by the local government in whose local government area the exhibition, meeting or trial is held as an appropriate body to supervise the exhibition, meeting or trial and published on the local government's website; or
- (e) the dog is a government entity dog or security patrol dog performing the functions of that class of dog authorised under this Act or another Act; or
- (f) the dog is a working dog and is performing a function of being a working dog.

(3) In this section—

off-leash area means an area within a local government area where, under a local law, a responsible person for a dog is not required to be in control of the dog by using a leash, lead or other restraining device.

193 Relevant person must exercise effective control of dog in public place

A relevant person for a dog must, unless the person has a reasonable excuse, exercise effective control of the dog if the dog is in a public place.

Maximum penalty—

- (a) if the attack causes the death of a person or grievous bodily harm to a person—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—600 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment; or
 - (ii) if the relevant person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—600 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment; or
 - (iii) otherwise—600 penalty units or 1 year's imprisonment; or
- (b) if the attack causes the death of an animal or maims an animal—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—500 penalty units; or
 - (ii) if the relevant person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—500 penalty units; or
 - (iii) otherwise—400 penalty units; or
- (c) if the attack causes bodily harm to a person—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—300 penalty units or 6 months imprisonment; or
 - (ii) if the relevant person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—300 penalty units or 6 months imprisonment; or
 - (iii) otherwise—300 penalty units; or
- (d) if the attack wounds an animal—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—200 penalty units; or
 - (ii) if the relevant person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—200 penalty units; or
 - (iii) otherwise—150 penalty units; or

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- (e) if paragraphs (a) to (d) do not apply—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—100 penalty units; or
 - (ii) otherwise—50 penalty units.

194 Relevant person must ensure dog does not attack or cause fear

A relevant person for a dog must take reasonable steps to ensure the dog does not attack, or act in a way that causes fear to, a person or an animal.

Maximum penalty—

- (a) if the attack causes the death of a person or grievous bodily harm to a person—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—600 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment; or
 - (ii) if the relevant person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—600 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment; or
 - (iii) otherwise—600 penalty units or 1 year's imprisonment; or
- (b) if the attack causes the death of an animal or maims an animal—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—500 penalty units; or
 - (ii) if the relevant person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—500 penalty units; or
 - (iii) otherwise—400 penalty units; or
- (c) if the attack causes bodily harm to a person—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—300 penalty units or 6 months imprisonment; or
 - (ii) if the relevant person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5

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- years—300 penalty units or 6 months imprisonment; or
- (iii) otherwise—300 penalty units; or
- (d) if the attack wounds an animal—
- (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—200 penalty units; or
 - (ii) if the relevant person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—200 penalty units; or
 - (iii) otherwise—150 penalty units; or
- (e) if paragraphs (a) to (d) do not apply—
- (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—100 penalty units; or
 - (ii) otherwise—50 penalty units.

195 Prohibition on allowing or encouraging dog to attack or cause fear

- (1) A person must not allow or encourage a dog to attack, or act in a way that causes fear to, a person or an animal.

Maximum penalty—

- (a) if the attack causes the death of a person or grievous bodily harm to a person—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—700 penalty units or 3 years imprisonment; or
 - (ii) if the person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—700 penalty units or 3 years imprisonment; or
 - (iii) otherwise—700 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment; or
- (b) if the attack causes the death of an animal or maims an animal—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—600 penalty units; or

- (ii) if the person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—600 penalty units; or
 - (iii) otherwise—500 penalty units; or
 - (c) if the attack causes bodily harm to a person—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—400 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment; or
 - (ii) if the person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—400 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment; or
 - (iii) otherwise—400 penalty units; or
 - (d) if the attack wounds an animal—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—300 penalty units; or
 - (ii) if the person has been convicted of a serious dog offence within the preceding 5 years—300 penalty units; or
 - (iii) otherwise—200 penalty units; or
 - (e) if paragraphs (a) to (d) do not apply—
 - (i) if the dog is a regulated dog—150 penalty units; or
 - (ii) otherwise—75 penalty units.
- (2) In this section—

encourage, without limiting the Criminal Code, sections 7 and 8, includes cause to encourage.

196 Defences for offence against s 193, 194 or 195

It is a defence to a prosecution for an offence against section 193, 194 or 195 for the defendant to prove—

- (a) the dog attacked, or acted in a way that caused fear to, the other person (the *complainant*) or the animal—

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- (i) as a result of the dog being attacked, mistreated, provoked or teased by the complainant or the animal; or
 - (ii) to protect the defendant, or a person accompanying the defendant (the *accompanying person*), or the defendant's or accompanying person's property; or
 - (b) for an attack on an animal, the dog was engaged in hunting the animal on private property when the offence happened; or
 - (c) for an attack on stock, the dog is a working dog and the offence happened when the stock were being worked; or
 - (d) the dog is a government entity dog and when the offence happened the defendant was acting within the scope of employment by the government entity; or
 - (e) when the offence happened, the dog was a security patrol dog carrying out that function under the *Security Providers Act 1993*.

196A Application of part to prohibited dogs

This part applies in relation to a prohibited dog as if a reference in this part to a regulated dog included a reference to a prohibited dog.

Note—

See also chapter 4A for other offences in relation to prohibited dogs.

Part 2 Greyhounds

197 Muzzling decommissioned greyhounds in public places

- (1) This section applies to an owner of a decommissioned greyhound if a local law requires it to be muzzled when in a public place.

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- (2) The requirement does not apply to the owner.
- (3) In this section—
 - decommissioned greyhound* means a greyhound that—
 - (a) is not a regulated dog; and
 - (b) has successfully completed a program prescribed under a regulation.

Part 2A Destruction of particular dogs

197A Destruction of particular dogs

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) an animal is a designated animal under the *Biosecurity Act 2014*, other than a bee, pig or designated bird; and
 - (b) the animal is on an area of land zoned rural land under the *Land Valuation Act 2010*, section 10; and
 - (c) 1 or more owners of the land, or an authorised person, reasonably believes a dog on the land—
 - (i) is not under someone’s control; and
 - (ii) is attacking, or is about to attack, the animal.
- (2) Each of the following persons may destroy the dog—
 - (a) each owner of the land who has that belief;
 - (b) an authorised person.
- (3) To remove any doubt, it is declared that a person mentioned in subsection (2) may, as well as or instead of acting personally, use an agent or assistant, or both, in destroying the dog.
- (4) Compensation is not payable for the destruction.
- (5) In this section—

owner, of land, includes a person in charge of an animal, that is stock, on the land.

person in charge, of an animal, see the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*, section 12.

Part 3 Legal provisions

Division 1 Evidence generally

198 Evidentiary value of copies

- (1) This section applies to a copy of a document that—
 - (a) purports to be made under the authority of a local government or its mayor; and
 - (b) purports to be verified by the mayor or an employee who is authorised by the local government.
- (2) The copy of the document is evidence in any proceedings as if the copy were the original of the document.

199 Evidentiary value of certificates

- (1) This section applies to a certificate that—
 - (a) purports to be about the state of, or a fact in, a record of the local government; and
 - (b) purports to be signed by the chief executive officer.
- (2) The certificate is evidence of the matters contained in the certificate.

199A Evidentiary aid—certificate by chief executive

A certificate purporting to be signed by the chief executive stating any of the following matters is evidence of the matter—

- (a) whether or not a person has applied under section 43F to be registered as a breeder and, if the person has applied, the date the application was made;
- (b) on a stated day, or during a stated period, a person was or was not a registered breeder;
- (c) on a stated day, a person's registration as a registered breeder—
 - (i) was suspended; or
 - (ii) was suspended for a stated period;
- (d) on a stated day, a person's registration as a registered breeder was cancelled;
- (e) the designated details of a registered breeder or an accredited breeder of an approved entity as recorded in the breeder register on a stated day.

Division 2 Evidence for proceedings

200 Application of div 2

This division applies to a proceeding under or in relation to this Act.

201 Appointments and authority

The following must be presumed unless a party to the proceeding, by reasonable notice, requires proof of it—

- (a) the appointment of an authorised person;
- (b) the power of an authorised person to do anything under chapter 5.

203 Other evidentiary aids

- (1) For applying section 198 for the proceeding, a record of a local government is taken to include—
 - (a) a thing as follows given, issued, kept or made under this chapter or chapter 5—
 - (i) an appointment;
 - (ii) a decision or record;
 - (iii) the local government's dog registry;
 - (iv) a regulated dog declaration;
 - (v) a proposed declaration notice, compliance notice or other notice;
 - (vi) a destruction order; and
 - (b) another document kept under this Act; and
 - (c) a statement that on a stated day—
 - (i) a stated person was given a stated decision, declaration, notice or order; or
 - (ii) a stated requirement under chapter 4 or 5 was made of a stated person.
- (2) This section does not limit section 198.

Division 3 Other provisions

204 False or misleading information

A person (the *relevant person*) commits an offence if the relevant person gives, either orally or in a document, the following persons information the relevant person knows is false or misleading in a material particular—

- (a) the chief executive;
- (b) a chief executive officer of a local government;
- (c) an authorised person;

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- (d) an authorised implanter;
 - (e) a licence holder.
- Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.

Part 4 Delegation of powers

205 Delegation by chief executive

- (1) The chief executive may delegate the chief executive's functions under this Act to an appropriately qualified officer of the department.
- (2) In this section—

appropriately qualified means having the qualifications, experience or standing appropriate to the exercise of the power.

Example of standing—

the officer's classification level in the department

functions includes powers.

206 Delegation by chief executive officer

- (1) The chief executive officer of a local government may delegate the chief executive officer's functions under this Act to an appropriately qualified officer of the local government.
- (2) In this section—

appropriately qualified means having the qualifications, experience or standing appropriate to the exercise of the power.

Example of standing—

the officer's classification level in the local government

functions includes powers.

Part 5 Miscellaneous

207 References to right to enter

A right under this Act to enter a place includes the right to—

- (a) leave and re-enter the place from time to time; and
- (b) remain on the place for the time necessary to achieve the purpose of the entry.

Note—

See section 123 for the powers an authorised person may exercise after entering a place.

207A Chief executive (transport) must disclose information

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) an authorised person is reasonably satisfied that vehicle registry information may be used, in an investigation under this Act about a prescribed offence, to identify the relevant person for a dog; and
 - (b) the authorised person asks the chief executive (transport) for the information.
- (2) The chief executive (transport) must disclose the information to the authorised person if—
 - (a) the chief executive (transport) reasonably considers that the information may be used to identify the relevant person; or
 - (b) the disclosure is authorised by the person to whom the information relates.
- (3) In this section—

chief executive (transport) means the chief executive of the department in which the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995* is administered.

prescribed offence means an offence against section 193, 194 or 195 involving an attack by a dog, if the attack—

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- (a) causes the death of, or grievous bodily harm or bodily harm to, a person; or
- (b) causes the death of an animal, or maims or wounds an animal.

relevant person, for a dog, means the owner of the dog or any responsible person for the dog.

vehicle registry information means information kept in the register of registered vehicles under a regulation under the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*.

207B Sharing of information with particular persons

The chief executive may give information obtained under chapter 2A or 2B in the following circumstances—

- (a) to an inspector appointed under the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001* if the chief executive reasonably believes the information will help the inspector to perform the inspector's functions under that Act;
- (b) to an authorised officer appointed under the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001* if the chief executive reasonably believes the information will help the authorised officer to perform the authorised officer's functions under that Act;
- (c) to a police officer if the chief executive reasonably believes the information will help the police officer to perform the police officer's functions in relation to an animal or an animal welfare offence;
- (d) to the chief executive officer of a local government if the chief executive reasonably believes the information will help a person engaged, employed or appointed by the local government to perform a function under this Act or the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*;
- (e) to an authorised officer appointed under the *Racing Integrity Act 2016* if the chief executive reasonably believes the information will help the authorised officer

to perform the authorised officer's functions under that Act.

207C Use of information by particular persons

- (1) This section applies to—
 - (a) a person who obtains information under section 173B(1); or
 - (b) a person to whom information is given under section 207B.
- (2) The person may use the information to perform a function the person has—
 - (a) under this Act, the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001* or the *Racing Integrity Act 2016*, including, for example, monitoring or enforcing compliance with any of those Acts; or
 - (b) if the person is a police officer—in relation to an animal or an animal welfare offence.

207D Recovery of seizure or destruction costs

- (1) This section applies if a local government has incurred a cost for an authorised person appointed by it—
 - (a) take possession of, or move, a regulated dog or prohibited dog that, under chapter 5, part 4, has been seized (a *seized dog*); or
 - (b) take action to restrict access to a seized dog; or
 - (c) provide a seized dog with accommodation, food, rest, water or other living conditions; or
 - (d) arrange veterinary or other treatment for a seized dog; or
 - (e) destroy a seized dog under section 127, 127AA or 127A.
- (2) The local government may recover the cost from the dog's owner or former owner if the incurring of the cost was necessary and reasonable.

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- (3) In considering whether the cost was necessary and reasonable, regard must be had to any surrender of the dog to the local government.
- (4) The cost may be claimed and ordered in a proceeding—
 - (a) to recover a debt of the amount; or
 - (b) for an offence against this chapter to which the claim relates.
- (5) This section does not limit a court's powers under the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1992* or another law.

208 Payment of penalties for offences against particular provisions

- (1) This section applies—
 - (a) if a court orders a person to pay a penalty for an offence against chapter 4 or section 134; and
 - (b) despite the *Local Government Act 2009*, section 246 and the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, section 43.
- (2) The court must also order the person to pay the penalty to a local government decided by the court.

209 Approval of forms

- (1) The chief executive may approve forms for use under chapter 2A, 2B, 6 or section 182.
- (2) The chief executive officer of a local government may approve forms for use under this Act other than for the provisions mentioned in subsection (1).

209A Electronic notices

- (1) The chief executive may give a notice or other document to a person by electronic communication to an electronic address of the person if the person—

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- (a) gave the address to the chief executive for the purpose of communicating with the person; and
 - (b) has not asked the chief executive to discontinue use of the address.

Examples of an electronic address—

an email address or mobile phone number

- (2) This section does not limit the *Electronic Transactions (Queensland) Act 2001*.

209B Chief executive may make guidelines

- (1) The chief executive may make guidelines about matters relating to compliance with this Act.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the guidelines may include information to help authorised persons perform their functions under this Act.
- (3) The chief executive must publish the guidelines on the department's website.

210 Regulation-making power

- (1) The Governor in Council may make regulations under this Act.
- (2) A regulation may be made about—
 - (a) class of cat or dog that may be exempt from being—
 - (i) implanted with a PPID; or
 - (ii) tattooed for desexing; or
 - (b) class of dog that may be exempt from being registered; or
 - (c) the requirements for PPIDs; or
 - (d) the way licence holders must keep and maintain PPID information and copies of records from which the identifying information is obtained; or

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- (e) permit conditions and conditions applying to declared dangerous dogs and declared menacing dogs; or
 - (f) the fees to be paid under this Act; or
 - (g) information that must be stated on a registration form for the registration of a dog.
- (3) A regulation may prescribe a penalty of not more than 20 penalty units for contravention of a regulation.

Chapter 10 Transitional provisions

Part 1 Transitional provisions for Act No. 74 of 2008

211 Deferral for particular local governments

The following provisions (the *deferred provisions*) do not apply in an area of a local government, other than in the area of a designated local government, until the deferred date—

- chapter 2, part 1, division 1
- chapter 3
- sections 177, 178 and 221.

212 Restricted dog registers

- (1) This section applies to a local government, other than a designated local government, until the deferred date.
- (2) The restricted dog register must include all of the following information for each restricted dog permit in force in the local government's area—
 - (a) the address of the place for which the permit has been issued;

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- (b) the following details for each restricted dog the subject of the permit—
 - (i) breed;
 - (ii) colour;
 - (iii) sex;
 - (iv) the number recorded on its collar, identification tag, registration tag or tattoo for desexing;
 - (v) any other noticeable distinguishing features or marks;
 - (c) other information prescribed under a regulation.
- (3) A restricted dog register may include other information the local government considers appropriate.

213 Cats and dogs implanted before commencement

Section 37 applies to an authorised implanter whether the implantation was done before or after the commencement of this section.

214 Regulated dogs must be implanted with a PPID

- (1) An owner of a regulated dog that was not implanted with a PID on the commencement of this section must ensure the dog is implanted with a PPID within 14 days after the commencement of this section unless the owner has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—75 penalty units.

- (2) It is a defence to a prosecution for an offence against subsection (1) if the defendant tenders in evidence a signed veterinary surgeon's certificate stating, or other evidence of, either of the following—
- (a) that the dog is implanted with a PID;
 - (b) that implanting the dog with a PPID is likely to be a serious risk to its health.

215 Desexed cat or dog at commencement need not be tattooed for desexing

An owner of a cat or dog that is desexed at the commencement of this section does not contravene section 42(1) if the cat or dog is not tattooed for desexing.

216 Cat or dog not registered at commencement

- (1) This section applies to an owner of a cat or dog other than the operator of a shelter or pound if the cat or dog—
 - (a) is not registered at the commencement of this section; or
 - (b) is less than 12 weeks old.
- (2) The owner must ensure the cat or dog is registered within 3 months after—
 - (a) if the relevant local government is a designated local government—the commencement; or
 - (b) otherwise—the deferred date.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.
- (3) It is a defence to a prosecution for an offence against subsection (2) for the defendant to prove the cat or dog is—
 - (a) a government entity dog; or
 - (b) a working dog; or
 - (c) another class of cat or dog prescribed under a regulation.

217 Restricted dogs and convictions under repealed LGA chapter

- (1) A dog that was a restricted dog under the repealed LGA chapter immediately before the commencement of this section is taken to be a restricted dog under this Act.
- (2) A conviction for an offence under the repealed LGA chapter is taken to be a conviction for an offence against chapter 4.
- (3) In this section—

repealed LGA chapter means the *Local Government Act 1993*, former chapter 17A.

217A Corresponding law regulated dogs and corresponding convictions

- (1) This section applies if immediately before the commencement of this section—
 - (a) a dog was the subject of a declaration, however called, under a corresponding law; and
 - (b) the declaration is the same as or similar to a regulated dog declaration.
- (2) The dog is taken to be a regulated dog under this Act.
- (3) A corresponding conviction for an offence relating to the dog is taken to be a conviction for an offence against chapter 4.
- (4) In this section—

corresponding conviction, for an offence relating to the dog, means a conviction in another State for an offence that is the same, or substantially the same, as an offence against chapter 4.

217B Local law dangerous dogs and corresponding convictions

- (1) A dog that was declared to be a dangerous dog under a local law (a *local law dangerous dog*) immediately before the commencement of this section is taken to be a declared dangerous dog under this Act.
- (2) A corresponding conviction for an offence relating to a local law dangerous dog is taken to be a conviction for an offence against chapter 4.
- (3) In this section—

corresponding conviction, for an offence relating to a local law dangerous dog, means a conviction under a local law for

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an offence that is the same, or substantially the same, as an offence against chapter 4.

218 Permit applications

A permit application made, under the *Local Government Act 1993*, section 1193Q immediately before the commencement of this section but not finally decided is taken to be a permit application for section 72.

219 Restricted dog register kept under Local Government Act 1993 continues

A restricted dog register kept under the *Local Government Act 1993*, section 1193ZN before the commencement of this section is taken to be a restricted dog register kept under section 212.

220 Person given or entitled to be given information notice

- (1) This section applies to a person who immediately before the commencement of this section—
 - (a) had been, or was entitled to be given, an information notice mentioned in the *Local Government Act 1993*, section 1193ZZH about a decision under chapter 17A of that Act; and
 - (b) had not started an appeal under the *Local Government Act 1993*, section 1193ZZI.
- (2) The person may apply for a review of the decision under chapter 8 as if the decision had been made under this Act.

221 Registration of cat or dog continues

- (1) A restricted dog registered under the *Local Government Act 1993* before the commencement of this section is taken to be registered under chapter 3.

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- (2) A cat or dog registered under a local law before the commencement of this section is taken to be registered under chapter 3.

221A References to address of place stated in registration notice for cat or dog

- (1) This section applies to a local government, other than a designated local government, until the deferred date.
- (2) A reference in this Act to the address of the place stated in the registration notice for a cat or dog is taken to be a reference to the place where the cat or dog is usually kept or proposed to be kept.

Part 2 Transitional provision for Building and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2009

222 Provision about offences under s 24

- (1) A proceeding can not be started for an offence under pre-amended section 24(1) if the circumstances giving rise to the commission of the offence—
- (a) would not, if the circumstances happened after the commencement of this section, give rise to the commission of an offence under post-amended section 24(1); or
- (b) involve an authorised implanter to which, if the circumstances happened after the commencement of this section, post-amended section 24(1), paragraph (c) could have applied.
- (2) In this section—

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amending Act means the *Building and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2009*.

post-amended section 24(1) means section 24(1) as replaced under the amending Act, section 40.

pre-amended section 24(1) means section 24(1) as in force immediately before the amending Act, section 40 commences.

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Transitional provision for Building and Other Legislation Amendment Act (No. 2) 2010

223 Provision about s 63A

From the commencement of this section, this Act applies as if section 63A had been in force since 6 April 2010.

Part 4

Transitional provisions for Agriculture and Forestry Legislation Amendment Act 2013

Division 1 Preliminary

224 Definitions for pt 4

In this part—

amending Act means the Agriculture and Forestry Legislation Amendment Act 2013.

commencement means the commencement of the provision in which the term is used.

declared local government see section 226(1).

former, for a provision, means the provision as in force immediately before the amendment or repeal of the provision under the amending Act.

225 Interpretation for pt 4

If a provision in this part uses a term defined under this Act as in force before the commencement (the *unamended Act*), the term has the same meaning as it had under the unamended Act.

Division 2 Continuation of former chapter 3 for declared local governments

226 Cat registration under former ch 3 continues for declared local government

- (1) This section applies to a local government (a declared local government) if—
 - (a) before the commencement, the local government passed a resolution that it is a declared local government for this part; and
 - (b) on the commencement, the resolution had not been repealed.
- (2) The following provisions, and any former provision mentioned in the provisions or necessary to give effect to the provisions, continue to apply in the declared local government's local government area as if the provisions had not been amended by the amending Act—
 - (a) former chapter 3;
 - (b) former sections 177 to 179 and 203.

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- (3) This section applies to the declared local government until the first of the following to happen—
 - (a) the declared local government makes a local law about cat registration;
 - (b) the declared local government passes a resolution that it is no longer a declared local government for this part;
 - (c) 1 year after the commencement of this section.

Division 3 Continuation of cat registration for local governments

227 Registration form for registration of cat

- (1) This section applies to the owner of a cat who—
 - (a) before the commencement, gave the relevant local government a registration form for registration of the cat, including the registration fee for the cat, under former section 46; and
 - (b) on the commencement, had not received under former section 49 a registration notice for the cat.
- (2) The relevant local government must—
 - (a) refund the registration fee to the owner; or
 - (b) if the local government is a declared local government—register the cat under former chapter 3, part 2; or
 - (c) if a local government makes a local law requiring cats to be registered—register the cat under the local law.

228 Registration fee paid to relevant local government under former s 53

- (1) This section applies if, before the commencement—

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- (a) a person paid the relevant local government, other than a declared local government, a registration fee for a cat; and
 - (b) the relevant local government gave the person a registration notice for the cat.
- (2) The local government must—
- (a) use the registration fee in the way stated in former section 53 as if that section had not been amended; or
 - (b) subject to subsection (3), refund the registration fee to the person.
- (3) If the local government acts under subsection (2)(b), the local government may refund the proportion of the fee the local government considers appropriate, having regard to the period of the registration stated on the registration notice that remains after the commencement.

Part 5

Transitional provision for Animal Management (Protecting Puppies) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016

229 Application of chs 2A, pt 2 and 2B, pt 3

- (1) Chapter 2A, part 2 and chapter 2B, part 3, as inserted by the amendment Act, apply only in relation to a dog born on or after the commencement.
- (2) In this section—

amendment Act means the *Animal Management (Protecting Puppies) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016*.

Part 6 **Transitional provisions for
Agriculture and Fisheries and
Other Legislation Amendment
Act 2023**

Division 1 **Preliminary**

230 **Definitions for part**

In this part—

amendment Act means the *Agriculture and Fisheries and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2023*.

former, for a provision of this Act, means the provision as in force from time to time before the commencement of the provision in which the term is used.

new, for a provision of this Act, means the provision as in force from the commencement of the provision in which the term is used.

Division 2 **Provision for amendments
commencing on assent**

231 **Appeals against external review decisions relating to
destruction orders**

New section 190 applies only to an appeal started after the commencement.

Division 3 **Provisions for amendments commencing on 1 May 2024**

232 **Proceedings for particular offences**

- (1) This section applies in relation to an offence against former section 194 or 195 committed by a person before the commencement.
- (2) Without limiting the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, section 20, a proceeding for the offence may be continued or started, and the person may be convicted of and punished for the offence, as if the amendment Act, section 26 had not commenced.
- (3) Subsection (2) applies despite the Criminal Code, section 11.

233 **References to serious dog offence**

For chapter 9, part 1, a reference to a serious dog offence includes a reference to—

- (a) an offence against former section 194, if the circumstances mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of the penalty apply; and
- (b) an offence against former section 195, if the circumstances mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of the penalty apply.

Division 4 **Provisions for amendments commencing on 28 August 2024**

234 **Existing applications about restricted dog permits**

- (1) This section applies if an application for, or in relation to, a restricted dog permit was made under former chapter 4, part 3, but not decided, before the commencement.

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- (2) This Act as in force immediately before the commencement continues to apply to the application as if the amendment Act had not been enacted.

235 Existing reviews and appeals in relation to decisions about restricted dog permits

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) before the commencement—
 - (i) an original decision was made under former chapter 4, part 3 refusing an application for a restricted dog permit or the renewal of a restricted dog permit; and
 - (ii) the applicant applied for an internal review or an external review of the original decision, or started an appeal against a decision made on an external review of the original decision; and
 - (b) immediately before the commencement, the application or appeal had not been decided or withdrawn.
- (2) Despite the repeal of former chapter 4, part 3—
 - (a) the application or appeal may continue to be heard and decided as if the amendment Act had not been enacted; and
 - (b) this Act as in force immediately before the commencement continues to apply for the purpose of issuing a restricted dog permit under former chapter 4, part 3 in accordance with a decision made on the internal review, external review or appeal.

236 Existing review and appeal rights in relation to decisions about restricted dog permits

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) before the commencement, an original decision was made under former chapter 4, part 3 refusing an

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- application for a restricted dog permit or the renewal of a restricted dog permit; and
- (b) immediately before the commencement—
 - (i) the applicant had not applied for an internal review or an external review of the original decision, or started an appeal against a decision made on an external review of the original decision; but
 - (ii) the period within which the applicant could apply, or start an appeal, had not ended.
- (2) Despite the repeal of former chapter 4, part 3—
- (a) the applicant may make the application or start the appeal, and the application or appeal may be heard and decided, as if the amendment Act had not been enacted; and
 - (b) this Act as in force immediately before the commencement continues to apply for the purpose of issuing a restricted dog permit under former chapter 4, part 3 in accordance with a decision made on the internal review, external review or appeal.

237 Continued application of pre-commencement Act to particular restricted dogs

- (1) This section applies if—
- (a) immediately before the commencement—
 - (i) a restricted dog permit was in effect under former chapter 4, part 3 for a restricted dog; and
 - (ii) the restricted dog was registered; or
 - (b) after the commencement, a restricted dog permit is issued or renewed under former chapter 4, part 3, as applied under section 234, 235 or 236, for a dog that—
 - (i) was a restricted dog immediately before the commencement; and
 - (ii) is registered.

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- (2) The dog is taken not to be a prohibited dog for the purposes of this Act.
- (3) Also, this Act as in force immediately before the commencement continues to apply in relation to the dog as if—
 - (a) the amendment Act had not been enacted; and;
 - (b) the dog continued to be a restricted dog.
- (4) However, subsections (2) and (3) cease to apply in relation to the dog on the earliest of the following to happen—
 - (a) the restricted dog permit for the dog expires and the permit holder has not applied to renew the permit under former section 82;
 - (b) the relevant local government for the dog makes an original decision under former chapter 4, part 3, division 3 to refuse an application to renew the restricted dog permit and the circumstances mentioned in subsection (5)(a), (b), (c) or (d) apply;
 - (c) the dog ceases to be registered;
 - (d) the dog is surrendered to the relevant local government under section 100;
 - (e) the dog is destroyed under this Act or otherwise dies.
- (5) For subsection (4)(b), the circumstances are—
 - (a) the period within which the applicant may apply for an internal review of the original decision ends and the applicant has not, within that period, applied for an internal review of the original decision; or
 - (b) if the applicant applies for an internal review of the original decision—
 - (i) the application is decided and both of the following apply—
 - (A) the decision on the application confirms the original decision;

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- (B) the period within which the applicant may apply for an external review of the original decision ends and the applicant has not, within that period, applied for an external review; or
 - (ii) the application is withdrawn or otherwise ends without a decision being made; or
 - (c) if the applicant applies for an external review of the original decision—
 - (i) the application is decided and both of the following apply—
 - (A) the decision on the application (the *external review decision*) confirms the original decision;
 - (B) the period within which the applicant may start an appeal against the external review decision ends and the applicant has not, within that period, started an appeal against the decision; or
 - (ii) the application is withdrawn or otherwise ends without a decision being made; or
 - (d) if the applicant starts an appeal against the external review decision—
 - (i) the appeal is decided and the effect of the decision is to confirm the external review decision; or
 - (ii) the appeal is withdrawn or otherwise ends without a decision being made.

238 Destruction orders for particular dogs

- (1) New section 127AA applies only in relation to a dog seized, under section 125 or a warrant, after the commencement.
- (2) Former section 127 continues to apply in relation to a dog seized, under section 125 or a warrant, before the

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commencement as if the amendment Act had not been enacted.

Schedule 1 Conditions for regulated dogs

sections 93, 97 and 98

1 Definition for schedule

In this schedule—

relevant place, for a regulated dog, means the place stated in the registration notice for the dog as the address for the dog.

2 Identification

- (1) A regulated dog must be implanted with a PPID.
- (2) A regulated dog must, at all times, wear a collar with an attached identifying tag.
- (3) The tag must be of the type, and contain the information prescribed under a regulation.

2A Distinctive collar

- (1) A regulated dog must, at all times, wear a distinctive collar.
- (2) The collar must—
 - (a) be of the dimensions, quality and type prescribed by regulation; and
 - (b) comply with other requirements prescribed by regulation.

3 Muzzling in or at place other than relevant place

- (1) This section applies to the following dogs—
 - (a) a regulated dog that is a declared dangerous dog;
 - (b) a dog the subject of a proposed declaration notice for a dangerous dog declaration.

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- (2) The dog must not be in or at a place other than the relevant place for the dog unless it is muzzled.
- (3) However, subsection (2) does not apply if the dog is in a vehicle in or at a place and the dog—
 - (a) is in an enclosed part of the vehicle; and
 - (b) is enclosed or restrained in a way that prevents the dog or any part of it from moving outside the enclosed part of the vehicle.

4 Enclosure

- (1) An enclosure for a regulated dog must be maintained at or on the relevant place for the dog.
- (2) The regulated dog must, unless there is a reasonable excuse, be usually kept in the enclosure.
- (3) The enclosure must—
 - (a) be childproof; and
 - (b) stop the regulated dog from leaving the enclosure.
- (4) Also, the enclosure and the area enclosed must—
 - (a) be of the dimensions, quality and type prescribed under a regulation; and
 - (b) comply with other requirements prescribed under a regulation.

5 Public notice

- (1) A sign must be placed at or near each entrance to the relevant place for a regulated dog notifying the public that a regulated dog is kept at the place.
- (2) The sign must be of the dimensions, quality and type, and contain the information prescribed under a regulation.

6 Place where regulated dog is usually kept

A regulated dog must not be usually kept at a place other than the relevant place for the dog.

8 Notice of change of address

- (1) If an owner of a regulated dog changes residential address, the owner must give the relevant local government notice of the owner's new residential address within 7 days after making the change.
- (2) If the new residential address is in another local government's area, the owner must also give the notice to the other local government.

Schedule 2 Dictionary

section 8

Editor's note—

Schedule 2 definition *spent conviction* was omitted by an uncommenced amendment, see 2023 No. 23 s 247 sch 1 s 4..

accepted representations—

- (a) for chapter 2, part 1, division 3, subdivision 3—see section 30(2); or
- (b) for chapter 2A, part 2, division 4—see section 43R(2); or
- (c) for chapter 6, part 5—see section 163(2).

accreditation number see section 43C(1).

accredited breeder, of an approved entity, see section 43B(1).

advertise includes cause, permit or authorise to be advertised.

animal, for chapter 9, part 1, see section 191.

animal welfare offence see the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*, schedule.

appropriate register, for information about a dog, means a register kept under section 177 in which particular information about the dog is kept.

approval day, for an approved entity, for chapter 2A, see section 43A.

approved entity see section 43A.

approved form means—

- (a) for an approved form mentioned in chapter 2A, 2B or 6 or section 182—a form approved by the chief executive under section 209(1); or
- (b) otherwise—a form approved by the chief executive officer of a local government under section 209(2).

approved inspection program see section 113(1).

approving local government see section 113(1).

authorised planter means—

- (a) a veterinary surgeon who—
 - (i) has completed a course, about implanting PPIDs, prescribed under a regulation or approved by the chief executive; and
 - (ii) is not a prohibited planter; or
- (b) a person who—
 - (i) has a qualification relating to the implantation of PPIDs prescribed under a regulation or approved by the chief executive; and
 - (ii) has completed a course, about implanting PPIDs, prescribed under a regulation or approved by the chief executive; and
 - (iii) is not a prohibited planter.

authorised person means—

- (a) a person appointed under section 104; and
- (b) for chapter 5, has the meaning affected by section 135(2).

bodily harm has the meaning given by the Criminal Code, section 1.

breed, a dog, see section 12A(1).

breeder ID number, of a registered breeder, see section 43G(1)(b).

breeder register see section 172B(1).

cat see section 11(1).

compliance notice see section 132(2).

corresponding law means a law, or former law, of another State or the Commonwealth that provides, or provided, for the same, or substantially the same, matter as this Act or a provision of this Act.

dangerous dog declaration see section 89(1)(a).

declared dangerous dog see section 61.

declared menacing dog see section 62.

deferred date means—

- (a) the day that is 2 years after the date of assent of this Act;
or
- (b) if an earlier day is prescribed under a regulation—the earlier day.

deferred provisions see section 211.

desex, for a cat or dog, means to surgically remove its gonads for the purpose of making it permanently incapable of reproducing.

designated details, of a person, see section 43A.

designated local government means—

- (a) the Brisbane City Council; or
- (b) the Central Highlands Regional Council; or
- (c) the Gladstone Regional Council; or
- (d) the following councils—
 - Gold Coast City Council
 - Ipswich City Council
 - Lockyer Valley Regional Council
 - Logan City Council
 - Moreton Bay Regional Council
 - Redland City Council
 - Scenic Rim Regional Council
 - Somerset Regional Council
 - Sunshine Coast Regional Council
 - Toowoomba Regional Council.

designated review application see section 181(1).

designated review decision see section 185(1)(b).

destroy, a dog, includes causing it to be destroyed.

destruction order, in relation to a dog, see section 126A.

detached house does not include—

- (a) a caravan, trailer or vehicle; or
- (b) a duplex; or
- (c) a manufactured home.

dog see section 11(2).

dog patrol category, for chapter 9, part 1, see section 191.

dog registry, of a local government, see section 177(2).

effective control, of a dog, see section 192.

eligible person, in relation to a dog, see sections 43ZG, 43ZH and 43ZI.

enclosure, for a regulated dog, see schedule 1, section 4.

exemption number, for a dog, see section 43ZM(a).

external review, for a decision, means a review of the decision by QCAT under the QCAT Act.

general register, of a local government, means its general register kept under section 178.

general review application see section 181(2).

government entity means—

- (a) the State, the Commonwealth or another State; or
- (b) an instrumentality or agent of the State, the Commonwealth or another State.

government entity dog means—

- (a) a dog owned by a government entity or a person engaged or employed by the entity; and
- (b) used for a purpose under an Act of the Commonwealth or a State.

Examples—

- a corrective services dog under the *Corrective Services Act 2006*
- a drug detection dog, firearms and explosives detection dog or police dog under the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000*

grievous bodily harm has the meaning given by the Criminal Code, section 1.

identifying information means—

- (a) for a dog—the information relating to the dog that is required to be—
 - (i) stated on a registration notice for the dog; and
 - (ii) held in the dog registry of the relevant local government for the dog; or
- (b) for a cat, if a local government makes a local law requiring cats to be registered—the information relating to the cat required to be held under the local law.

implant includes insert.

ineligible person, for chapter 2A, see section 43D.

information notice, about a decision, means a notice stating—

- (a) the decision and the reasons for it; and
- (b) that the person to whom the notice is given may apply for an internal review of the decision to the original decider for the decision within 14 days after the person receives the notice; and
- (c) how to apply for the internal review.

inspect, for chapter 7, part 1, includes to obtain, orally or in writing, the information kept on the regulated dog register.

interested person, for an original decision, means—

- (a) a person who has been given, or is entitled to be given, an information notice about the decision; and
- (b) if the decision relates to a dog—the owner of, or responsible person for, the dog.

internal review decision see section 186(1)(b).

licence means a PPID registry licence.

licence holder means a person holding a PPID registry licence.

licence holder register see section 172A(1).

lives means resides.

local government, for chapter 5, has the meaning affected by section 135(1).

mandatory conditions, for a licence, see section 152.

manufactured home see the *Manufactured Homes (Residential Parks) Act 2003*, section 10.

menacing dog declaration see section 89(1)(b).

notice means—

- (a) a notice in writing; and
- (b) for chapter 5, part 2, a notice issued under this Act.

occupier of a place, for chapter 5, part 2, includes a person who reasonably appears to be the occupier of, or in charge of, the place.

online breeder registration system see section 43A.

operator, of a pound or shelter, means the person who has the role of being responsible for the management and operation of the pound or shelter.

original decider, for an original decision, means—

- (a) if the original decision is made by the chief executive—the chief executive; or
- (b) if the original decision is made by a local government or authorised person appointed by a local government—the chief executive officer of the local government.

original decision means a decision about which an information notice must be given.

owner, of a cat or dog, see section 9.

personal details requirement see section 139(4).

pet shop means a shop that sells a dog, cat, rabbit, guinea pig, mouse, reptile, caged bird or any other similar animal of a class or kind prescribed under a regulation.

place includes a vehicle.

pound means a premises maintained for the purpose of impounding animals.

PPID see section 12(1).

PPID information means—

- (a) for a cat—
 - (i) the name of the owner of the cat; and
 - (ii) the PPID number for the cat; and
 - (iii) any other information about the cat prescribed by regulation; or
- (b) for a dog—
 - (i) the relevant supply number for the dog; and
 - (ii) the name of the owner of the dog; and
 - (iii) the PPID number for the dog; and
 - (iv) any other information about the dog prescribed by regulation.

PPID number means a unique number stored on a PPID that is capable of being electronically retrieved.

PPID registry licence means a licence to offer or provide a PPID registry service.

PPID registry service means a service, provided by a licence holder, of keeping records containing—

- (a) identifying information for a cat or dog; or
- (b) the unique identification number stored on the PPID for a cat or dog.

prescribed permanent identification device see section 12(1).

primary producer—

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- (a) means a person primarily engaged in the occupation of a—
- (i) dairy farmer; or
 - (ii) wheat, maize or cereal grower; or
 - (iii) cane grower; or
 - (iv) fruit grower; or
 - (v) grazier; or
 - (vi) farmer, whether engaged in general or mixed farming, cotton, potato, or vegetable growing, or poultry or pig raising; and
- (b) includes a person engaged in primary production.

prohibited dog see section 103A.

prohibited implanter means a person given an information notice under section 32(3).

prohibition—

- (a) for chapter 2, part 1, division 3, subdivision 3—see section 27(b); or
- (b) for chapter 6, part 5—see section 160(b).

proposed action—

- (a) for chapter 2, part 1, division 3, subdivision 3—see section 27; or
- (b) for chapter 2A, part 2, division 4—see section 43Q(1); or
- (c) for chapter 6, part 5—see section 160.

proposed declaration notice see section 90(1).

publicly available part, of the breeder register, see section 172E(2).

public office, of a local government, has the meaning under the *Local Government Act 1993*, schedule 2.

public place means any place that the public is entitled to use, is open to the public, or used by the public, whether or not on payment of money.

reasonably believes means to believe on grounds that are reasonable in the circumstances.

reasonably suspects means to suspect on grounds that are reasonable in the circumstances.

registered, for a dog, means that the information about the dog is recorded in the relevant local government's general register.

registered breeder see section 43A.

registered owner, of a dog, means a person recorded as the owner of the dog in a dog registry of a local government.

registration date, for chapter 2A, see section 43G(2)(c).

registration device see section 12.

registration fee, for a dog, means the fee fixed by the local government for its registration.

registration form, for the registration of a dog in a local government's area, means the approved form for registering dogs in the local government's area.

registration notice, for a dog, means a notice stating the information in section 49(3)(b) and (d) for the dog.

regulated dog see section 60.

regulated dog declaration see section 89(5).

regulated dog register see section 172(1).

relevant information, for chapter 2A, part 3, see section 43V.

relevant local government, for a provision about a cat or dog, means the local government in whose area the cat or dog is usually kept or proposed to be kept.

relevant person, for a dog, for chapter 9, part 1, see section 191.

relevant place, for a regulated dog, for schedule 1, see schedule 1, section 1.

relevant supply number, for a dog, see section 43X(1), (3), (4), (5) and (6).

renewal date, for chapter 2A, see section 43L(2)(c).

renewal fee, for chapter 2A, see section 43J(2)(b)(ii).

renewal notice—

- (a) for chapter 2A—see section 43J(1); or
- (b) for chapter 3, part 4—see section 56(1).

responsible person, for a dog, see section 10.

review notice see section 187(1).

rural land means land used for grazing stock or cultivating crops on a commercial basis.

security officer, for chapter 9, part 1, see section 191.

security patrol dog, for chapter 9, part 1, see section 191.

sell means sell by retail, wholesale or auction, and includes—

- (a) offer or agree to sell; and
- (b) invite to treat or expose for sale; and
- (c) cause or permit to be sold; and
- (d) supply under a lease, exchange, hiring or other commercial arrangement.

seller means a person supplying a PPID.

serious dog offence, for chapter 9, part 1, see section 191.

shelter means a premises maintained for the purpose of providing shelter to, or finding a home for, stray, abandoned or unwanted animals.

show cause notice—

- (a) for chapter 2, part 1, division 3, subdivision 3—see section 29(1); or
- (b) for chapter 2A, part 2, division 4—see section 43Q(2); or
- (c) for chapter 6, part 5—see section 162(1).

show cause period—

- (a) for chapter 2, part 1, division 3, subdivision 3—see section 29(2)(e); or
- (b) for chapter 2A, part 2, division 4—see section 43Q(2)(e); or
- (c) for chapter 6, part 5—see section 162(2)(e).

stock means alpacas, asses, buffaloes, camels, cattle, deer, donkeys, goats, horses, llamas, mules, sheep or vicunas.

supply includes doing any of the following things if doing the thing affects possession of a cat, dog or PPID, other than the mere temporary custody of it—

- (a) exchange, give or sell;
- (b) offer or agree to supply;
- (c) cause or permit a supply;
- (d) possess for supply.

suspension—

- (a) for chapter 2, part 1, division 3, subdivision 3—see section 27(a); or
- (b) for chapter 6, part 5—see section 160(a).

tattoo, a cat or dog for desexing, when used as a verb, means to permanently mark the cat or dog in a way prescribed under a regulation enabling the identification of the cat or dog as desexed.

Example of a way that enables a cat or dog to be identified as desexed—

placing a permanent symbol in a cat's or dog's left ear

veterinary surgeon means a person registered as a veterinary surgeon under the *Veterinary Surgeons Act 1936*.

veterinary surgeon's certificate, for a cat or dog, see section 43Y(5).

veterinary surgery means premises used or intended for use by a veterinary surgeon in the practice of the veterinary surgeon's profession.

warrant means a warrant issued under chapter 5, part 2, division 2, subdivision 2, and includes a duplicate warrant mentioned in section 119(5).

working dog—

- (a) means a dog usually kept or proposed to be kept—
 - (i) on rural land; and
 - (ii) by an owner who is a primary producer, or a person engaged or employed by a primary producer; and
 - (iii) primarily for the purpose of—
 - (A) droving, protecting, tending, or working, stock; or
 - (B) being trained in droving, protecting, tending, or working, stock; and
- (b) does not include a class of dog prescribed under a regulation.