



ACT Heritage Council

ACT HERITAGE ACT

AF2014-109

ACT HERITAGE ACT— EXCAVATION APPLICATION *Heritage Act 2004, s61E*

The ACT Heritage Act 2004 (the Act) establishes a system for the recognition, registration and conservation of places and objects having heritage significance and for *all* Aboriginal places and objects.

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Under sections 74 and 75 of the Act, a person commits an offence if the person engages in conduct that diminishes the heritage significance of a place or object or if the person engages in conduct that causes damage to an Aboriginal place or object.

However, under s76 of the Act, such conduct is not an offence if carried out in accordance with any of the following:

- A heritage guideline;
- A heritage direction;
- A heritage agreement;
- A conservation management plan approved by the Council;
- **An excavation permit;**
- A Statement of Heritage Effect approved by the Council;
- Development approval under the *Planning and Development Act 2007* chapter 7; or
- If the person is a government officer exercising a function for the Heritage Act or another Territory law or engaging in authorised conduct.

This form may be used to apply for an excavation permit from the ACT Heritage Council for the purposes of being able to engage in certain activity which is exempt from the offence provisions. A person or entity may use this form to make application to the ACT Heritage Council for permission to carry out archaeological excavation work at or near a registered (including provisionally registered) place or object, or an Aboriginal place or object.

No fee is payable for lodging this application. An application will not be accepted unless signed and dated. The ACT Heritage Council will notify you as soon as possible about its acceptance or dismissal of this application. A permit to excavate may be approved with conditions.

DO YOU REQUIRE MORE INFORMATION OR NEED HELP?

If you need help completing this form, contact ACT Heritage on 13 22 81 or email heritage@act.gov.au. Incomplete or inadequate forms will be returned with feedback.

More information about the ACT Heritage Council, the Heritage Register and the heritage registration process is available on the ACT Heritage website at www.environment.act.gov.au/heritage or by contacting ACT Heritage on 13 22 81 or by email at heritage@act.gov.au.

LODGING YOUR FORM

Please send this form

- **by mail to:** The ACT Heritage Council, PO Box 158, Canberra ACT 2601;
- **by hand to:** ACT Heritage, Dame Pattie Menzies House, 16 Challis Street, Dickson ACT
- **by email to:** heritage@act.gov.au

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03 PROPOSED EXCAVATION DETAILS

(Please attach any relevant documents to provide any further supporting evidence for this application)

Description of the place or object affected by the proposal to carry out archaeological excavation

Details about the proposed excavation work, including:

- Reason for the excavation
- Extent and duration of the excavation
- Any other associated work of which the excavation forms part

Details about measures you will adopt to reduce the risk of diminishing the heritage significance of, or damaging, the place or object

List all attachments enclosed:

04. PERSONAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The personal information on this form is provided to the ACT Heritage Council and ACT Environment and Planning Directorate for the purpose of processing your application for limited access to restricted information. If you do not provide your contact details, the Heritage Council will not be able to process your application. EPD's Information Privacy Policy contains information about how you may access or seek to correct your personal information held by EPD, and how you may complain about an alleged breach of the Territory Privacy Principles. The EPD Information Privacy Policy can be found at www.act.gov.au/epd/information_privacy.

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05 AUTHORISATION

I wish to make application for the Heritage Council to issue a permit to excavate

The information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the *Criminal Code 2002*.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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