

Australian Capital Territory

# Occupational Health and Safety (Volunteers) Declaration 2005

Disallowable instrument DI2005-232

made under the

***Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989, section 8 (Voluntary Workers etc)***

## Explanatory Statement

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The *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* (the Act) regulates workplace health and safety in the ACT.

Section 8 of the Act (Voluntary workers etc) provides the Minister for Industrial Relations with the power to declare a person who is included in a specified class of persons and who, otherwise than under a contract of service or a contract for services, engages in activities or performs acts at the request or direction, or for the benefit, of another person specified in the declaration to be an employee of that other person.

This declaration declares emergency services volunteers as employees of the Territory for the purposes of the Act. Emergency services volunteers are:

*Persons who, without receiving any remuneration (other than payment of expenses incurred) take part in emergency management activities or training exercises under the control or direction of the Emergency Services Authority or the Chief Officer of an emergency services under the Emergencies Act 2004.*

The declaration takes effect from the day after notification on the ACT Legislation Register.

The declaration under section 8 is a disallowable instrument.