

**Australian Capital Territory
WATER RESOURCES ACT 1998**

INSTRUMENT NO. 79 OF 1999

Determination of Fees
Explanatory Statement

The *Water Resources Act 1998* provides for the sustainable management of the surface water and groundwater resources of the Territory.

Section 78 of the Act provides that the Minister may, by notice in the Gazette, determine fees payable under the Act.

This instrument determines fees for certain licences and permits which may be granted under the Act.

The determination is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of section 10 of the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989*.

Section 39 provides that a person drilling or modifying a groundwater bore shall hold a driller's licence. A licence will be valid for three years and may include such conditions as are necessary to protect groundwater resources.

Sections 43 and 44 of the Act provide that the lessee or occupier of land, on which it is proposed to drill or modify a bore, shall hold a bore construction permit. A permit will be valid for up to 12 months and may include such conditions as are necessary to protect groundwater resources.

Sections 68 and 69 of the Act provide that a person must hold a permit to construct or modify a dam or other water control structure. A permit will be valid for 12 months and may include such conditions as are necessary to protect water resources. Dams of less than 2 megalitres capacity which are not located in a waterway do not require a permit.

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