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Penalties

At the republication date, the value of a penalty unit for an offence against this law is \$160 for an individual and \$810 for a corporation (see [Legislation Act 2001](#), s 133).



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1 Name of regulation

This regulation is the *Director of Public Prosecutions Regulation 1991*.

3 Prescribed functions—Act, s 6 (1) (q)

The following functions are prescribed:

- (a) instituting or responding to, or conducting, on behalf of the Territory or any other person as the appellant, applicant or respondent, an appeal, application or review (including administrative review) arising out of proceedings mentioned in the [Act](#), section 6 (1) (b);
- (b) if the director, with the consent of the Attorney-General, holds an appointment or commission or is otherwise authorised to prosecute offences against the laws of the Commonwealth—
 - (i) instituting such a prosecution; or
 - (ii) conducting such a prosecution, whether instituted by the director or not; or
 - (iii) instituting proceedings for the commitment of a person for trial in relation to an indictable offence against a law of the Commonwealth; or
 - (iv) conducting such proceedings, whether instituted by the director or not; or
 - (v) instituting or responding to, or conducting, as or on behalf of the appellant, applicant or respondent, an appeal, application or review arising out of a prosecution or proceedings mentioned in this paragraph;

in accordance with the terms of the appointment, commission or authorisation if the prosecution or proceedings arises or arise out of the facts or circumstances on which a matter mentioned in the [Act](#), section 6 (1) (a), (b) or (c) is based, being a matter that has not been completed or otherwise determined before the prosecution or proceedings is or are instituted.

Endnotes

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Amending and modifying laws are annotated in the legislation history and the amendment history. Current modifications are not included in the republished law but are set out in the endnotes.

Not all editorial amendments made under the [Legislation Act 2001](#), part 11.3 are annotated in the amendment history. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel's Office.

Uncommenced amending laws are not included in the republished law. The details of these laws are underlined in the legislation history. Uncommenced expiries are underlined in the legislation history and amendment history.

If all the provisions of the law have been renumbered, a table of renumbered provisions gives details of previous and current numbering.

The endnotes also include a table of earlier republications.

2 Abbreviation key

A = Act	NI = Notifiable instrument
AF = Approved form	o = order
am = amended	om = omitted/repealed
amdt = amendment	ord = ordinance
AR = Assembly resolution	orig = original
ch = chapter	par = paragraph/subparagraph
CN = Commencement notice	pres = present
def = definition	prev = previous
DI = Disallowable instrument	(prev...) = previously
dict = dictionary	pt = part
disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative Assembly	r = rule/subrule
div = division	reloc = relocated
exp = expires/expired	renum = renumbered
Gaz = gazette	R[X] = Republication No
hdg = heading	RI = reissue
IA = Interpretation Act 1967	s = section/subsection
ins = inserted/added	sch = schedule
LA = Legislation Act 2001	sdiv = subdivision
LR = legislation register	SL = Subordinate law
LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996	sub = substituted
mod = modified/modification	<u>underlining</u> = whole or part not commenced or to be expired

3 Legislation history

This regulation was originally the *Director of Public Prosecutions Regulations*. It was renamed under the [Legislation Act 2001](#).

Before 12 September 2001, a regulation commenced on its notification day unless otherwise stated (see [Subordinate Laws Act 1989](#) s 6).

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notified 16 October 1991 (Gaz 1991 No S115)

commenced 16 October 1991

as amended by

[Legislation \(Consequential Amendments\) Act 2001 A2001-44 pt 103](#)

notified 26 July 2001 (Gaz 2001 No 30)

s 1, s 2 commenced 26 July 2001 (IA s 10B)

pt 103 commenced 12 September 2001 (s 2 and see Gaz 2001 No S65)

[Statute Law Amendment Act 2025 A2025-29 sch 3 pt 3.29](#)

notified LR 6 November 2025

s 1, s 2 commenced 6 November 2025 (LA s 75 (1))

sch 3 pt 3.29 commenced 16 November 2025 (s 2 (1))

4 Amendment history

Name of regulation

s 1 am R2 LA; R3 LA

Interpretation

s 2 om [A2001-44](#) pt 103

Prescribed functions—Act, s 6 (1) (q)

s 3 hdg sub [A2025-29](#) amdt 3.85

s 3 am [A2025-29](#) amdt 3.86

Endnotes

5 Earlier republications

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Some earlier republications were not numbered. The number in column 1 refers to the publication order.

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Republication No	Amendments to	Republication date
1	not amended	30 November 1991
2	A2001-44	23 April 2002
3	A2001-44	1 November 2004

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