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No 26

made under the
Animal Welfare Act 1992

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About this republication

The republished law

This is a republication of the Animal Welfare Regulations 2001, made under the Animal Welfare Act 1992 (including any amendment made under the Legislation Act 2001, part 11.3 (Editorial changes)) as in force on 9 October 2003. It also includes any amendment, repeal or expiry affecting the republished law to 9 October 2003.

The legislation history and amendment history of the republished law are set out in endnotes 3 and 4.

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- unauthorised republications.

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Editorial changes

The Legislation Act 2001, part 11.3 authorises the Parliamentary Counsel to make editorial amendments and other changes of a formal nature when preparing a law for republication. Editorial changes do not change the effect of the law, but have effect as if they had been made by an Act commencing on the republication date (see Legislation Act 2001, s 115 and s 117). The changes are made if the Parliamentary Counsel considers they are desirable to bring the law into line, or more closely into line, with current legislative drafting practice.

This republication includes amendments made under part 11.3 (see endnote 1).

Uncommenced provisions and amendments

If a provision of the republished law has not commenced or is affected by an uncommenced amendment, the symbol [U] appears immediately before the provision heading. The text of the uncommenced provision or amendment appears only in the last endnote.

Modifications

If a provision of the republished law is affected by a current modification, the symbol [M] appears immediately before the provision heading. The text of the modifying provision appears in the endnotes. For the legal status of modifications, see Legislation Act 2001, section 95.

Penalties

The value of a penalty unit for an offence against this republished law at the republication date is—

(a) if the person charged is an individual—$100; or
(b) if the person charged is a corporation—$500.
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Animal Welfare Regulations 2001

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Animal Welfare Act 1992
1 Name of regulations
These regulations are the Animal Welfare Regulations 2001.

3 Meaning of code
In these regulations:

*code* means the *Australian code of practice for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes*, 6th Edition, 1997 published by the National Health and Medical Research Council, amended by omitting from the first line of paragraph 2.2.1 (iii) on page 10 ‘approve, subject’ and substituting ‘approve, approve subject’.

4 Notes
A note included in these regulations is explanatory and is not part of these regulations.

Note  See Legislation Act, s 127 (1), (4) and (5) for the legal status of notes.

5 Prescribed electrical devices and animals for Act, s 13 (2)
The Act, section 13 (1) does not apply to the use by a person of an electrical device mentioned in an item of schedule 1 on an animal mentioned in the same item of that schedule.

Note  The Act, s 13 (1) prohibits the administration of a shock to an animal, except in a manner authorised under a Territory law.

6 Prescribed animals for Act, s 25 (2) (c)
The Act, section 25 does not apply to a person who uses an animal mentioned in schedule 2 for teaching purposes in a preschool or primary school.

Note  The Act, s 25 (1) prohibits the use or breeding of an animal for research or teaching.
7 Ethics committees—Act, s 50 and dict

(1) An animal ethics committee established in accordance with the code is an ethics committee for the Act.

(2) The constitution and functions of an ethics committee are the constitution and functions set out in the code.

8 Caging egg-producing domestic fowls

(1) A person who keeps a domestic fowl (Gallus gallus) for producing eggs must ensure that the cage in which the fowl is kept has enough floor space.

   Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.

(2) For subregulation (1), a cage has enough floor space if it provides at least 550cm$^2$ of floor space for each fowl in the cage.

(3) In calculating floor space for subregulation (2), any space occupied by a baffle is taken to be floor space.

(4) For subregulation (1), a cage that is in use immediately before the commencement of this regulation has enough floor space if it complies with the Animal Welfare Regulations, regulation 31A, as in force immediately before that commencement.

Note The Animal Welfare Regulations, reg 31A, as far as relevant, provided as follows:

(2) The floor space of a cage shall be taken to be adequate if it is not less than—

   (a) in the case of a cage in which 1 fowl is confined—1000 cm$^2$;

   (b) in the case of a cage in which 2 fowls are confined—1350 cm$^2$; or

   (c) in any other case—

      (i) if the average weight of the fowls in the cage is 2.4 kg or less—450 cm$^2$ per confined fowl; or
Regulation 8

(ii) if the average weight of the fowls in the cage is greater than 2.4 kg—600 cm² per confined fowl.

(5) Subregulation (4) and this subregulation expire on 1 January 2008.
## Schedule 1  Permitted uses of electrical devices on animals

(see reg 5)

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### Animals permitted to be used for teaching in certain schools

(see reg 6)

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1 About the endnotes

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 and expiries are listed in the legislation history and the amendment history. These details are underlined. Uncommenced provisions and amendments are not included in the republished law but are set out in the last endnote.

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.

If the republished law includes penalties, current information about penalty unit values appears on the republication inside front cover.

2 Abbreviation key

am = amended
amdt = amendment
ch = chapter
cl = clause
def = definition
dict = dictionary
disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative Assembly
div = division
dexp = expires/expired
Gaz = Gazette
dhdg = heading
IA = Interpretation Act 1967
ins = inserted/added
LA = Legislation Act 2001
LR = legislation register
LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996
mod = modified / modification
No = number
num = numbered
o = order
om = omitted/repealed
ord = ordinance
orig = original
par = paragraph
pres = present
prev = previous
(prev...) = previously
prov = provision
pt = part
r = rule/subrule
reg = regulation/subregulation
renum = renumbered
reloc = relocated
R[X] = Republication No
RI = reissue
s = section/subsection
sch = schedule
sdiv = subdivision
sub = substituted
SL = Subordinate Law
underlining = whole or part not commenced or to be expired
3 Legislation history

Animal Welfare Regulations SL 2001 No 26
notified 2 August 2001 (Gaz 2001 No 31)
commenced 2 August 2001 (s 2)

as amended by

Statute Law Amendment Act 2002 No 30 pt 3.3
notified LR 16 September 2002
s 1, s 2 taken to have commenced 19 May 1997 (LA s 75 (2))
pt 3.3 commenced 17 September 2002 (s 2 (1))

Statute Law Amendment Act 2003 A2003-41 sch 3 pt 3.1
notified LR 11 September 2003
s 1, s 2 commenced 11 September 2003 (LA s 75 (1))
sch 3 pt 3.1 commenced 9 October 2003 (s 2 (1))

4 Amendment history

Commencement
reg 2 om LA s 89 (4)

Caging egg-producing domestic fowls
reg 8 am Act 2002 No 30 amdt 3.32; A2003-41 amdt 3.1
(4), (5) exp 1 January 2008 (reg 8 (5))

Repeal of Animal Welfare Regulations
reg 9 om LA s 89 (3)
5 Earlier republications

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