

# Magistrates Court (Water Resources Infringement Notices) Regulation 2007

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#### 1 Name of regulation

This regulation is the *Magistrates Court* (Water Resources Infringement Notices) Regulation 2007.

#### 2 Commencement

This regulation commences on the day after its notification day.

*Note* The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on the notification day (see Legislation Act, s 75 (1)).

#### 3 Purpose of regulation

The purpose of this regulation is to provide for infringement notices under the *Magistrates Court Act 1930*, part 3.8 for certain offences against the Water Resources Act.

Note The Magistrates Court Act 1930, pt 3.8 provides a system of infringement notices for offences against various Acts. The infringement notice system is intended to provide an alternative to prosecution.

#### 4 Dictionary

The dictionary at the end of this regulation is part of this regulation.

Note 1 The dictionary at the end of this regulation defines certain terms used in this regulation, and includes references (*signpost definitions*) to other terms defined elsewhere.

For example, the signpost definition '*authorised officer*—see the Water Resources Act, dictionary.' means that the term 'authorised officer' is defined in that dictionary and the definition applies to this regulation.

Note 2 A definition in the dictionary (including a signpost definition) applies to the entire regulation unless the definition, or another provision of the regulation, provides otherwise or the contrary intention otherwise appears (see Legislation Act, s 155 and s 156 (1)).

#### 5 Notes

A note included in this regulation is explanatory and is not part of this regulation.

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

#### 6 Administering authority

The administering authority for an infringement notice offence against the Water Resources Act is the authority.

#### 7 Infringement notice offences

The *Magistrates Court Act 1930*, part 3.8 applies to an offence against a provision of the Water Resources Act mentioned in schedule 1, column 2.

#### 8 Infringement notice penalties

- (1) The penalty payable by an individual for an offence against the Water Resources Act, under an infringement notice for the offence, is the amount mentioned in schedule 1, column 4 for the offence.
- (2) The penalty payable by a corporation for an offence against the Water Resources Act, under an infringement notice for the offence, is 5 times the amount mentioned in schedule 1, column 4 for the offence.
- (3) The cost of serving a reminder notice for an infringement notice offence against the Water Resources Act is \$34.

#### 9 Contents of infringement notices—other information

(1) An infringement notice served on a company by an authorised person for an infringement notice offence against the Water Resources Act must include the company's ACN.

Note The requirement under this section is additional to the requirement under the Magistrates Court Act 1930, s 121 (1) (c).

(2) In this section:

company means a company registered under the Corporations Act.

## 10 Contents of infringement notices—identifying authorised person

An infringement notice served on a person by an authorised person for an infringement notice offence against the Water Resources Act must identify the authorised person by—

- (a) the authorised person's full name, or surname and initials; or
- (b) any unique number given, for this regulation, to the authorised person by the administering authority.

## 11 Contents of reminder notices—identifying authorised person

A reminder notice served on a person by an authorised person for an infringement notice offence against the Water Resources Act must identify the authorised person by—

- (a) the authorised person's full name, or surname and initials; or
- (b) any unique number given, for this regulation, to the authorised person by the administering authority.

#### 12 Costs if liability disputed

The cost of beginning a proceeding is \$200.

#### 13 Authorised people for infringement notice offences

An authorised officer may serve—

- (a) an infringement notice for an infringement notice offence against the Water Resources Act; and
- (b) a reminder notice for an infringement notice offence against the Water Resources Act.

*Note* For how documents may be served, see the Legislation Act, pt 19.5.

#### **Schedule 1**

# Water Resources Act infringement notice offences and penalties

(see s 7 and s 8)

column 1 item	column 2 offence provision, and if relevant, case	column 3 offence penalty (penalty units)	column 4 infringement penalty (\$)
1	28 (2)	50	1 000
2	28 (4)	50	1 000
3	59 (1)	25	500
4	59 (2)	25	500
5	59 (3)	10	200
6	59 (4)	25	500
7	59 (5)	50	1 000

### **Dictionary**

(see s 4)

- Note 1 The Legislation Act contains definitions and other provisions relevant to this regulation.
- *Note 2* For example, the Legislation Act, dict, pt 1, defines the following terms:
  - corporation
  - Corporations Act
  - environment protection authority
  - individual.
- Note 3 Terms used in this regulation have the same meaning that they have in the Magistrates Court Act 1930 (see Legislation Act, s 148). For example, the following terms are defined in the Magistrates Court Act 1930, dict:
  - administering authority
  - authorised person
  - infringement notice
  - infringement notice offence
  - reminder notice.

authority means the environment protection authority.

authorised officer—see the Water Resources Act, dictionary.

Water Resources Act means the Water Resources Act 2007.

#### **Endnotes**

#### 1 Notification

Notified under the Legislation Act on 2 October 2007.

#### 2 Republications of amended laws

For the latest republication of amended laws, see www.legislation.act.gov.au.

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