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About this republication

The republished law

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Penalties

At the republication date, the value of a penalty unit for an offence against this law is \$110 for an individual and \$550 for a corporation (see [Legislation Act 2001](#), s 133).



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1 Name of regulation

This regulation is the *Plastic Shopping Bags Ban Regulation 2011*.

3 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.

Note 2 A definition in the dictionary 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)).

4 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.

5 Biodegradable bag—Act, dict, def *biodegradable bag*

- (1) The requirement that a plastic bag is made from plastic compostable in accordance with AS 4736-2006 (*Biodegradable plastics-Biodegradable plastics suitable for composting and other microbial treatment*) as in force from time to time is prescribed.

- (2) The [Legislation Act](#), section 47 (6) does not apply to AS 4736-2006.

Note AS 4736-2006 does not need to be notified under the [Legislation Act](#) because s 47 (6) does not apply (see [Legislation Act](#), s 47 (7)). The standard may be purchased at www.standards.org.au.

Dictionary

(see s 3)

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:

- AS (see s 164 (1))
- Australian Standard (see s 164 (1)).

AS 4736-2006 means Australian Standard AS 4736-2006 (*Biodegradable plastics—Biodegradable plastics suitable for composting and other microbial treatment*), as in force from time to time.

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

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notified LR 23 June 2011
 s 1, s 2 commenced 23 June 2011 (LA s 75 (1))
 remainder commenced 1 July 2011 (s 2)

as amended by

[Planning and Building Legislation Amendment Act 2011 \(No 2\)](#)

A2011-54 pt 8

notified LR 13 December 2011
 s 1, s 2 commenced 13 December 2011 (LA s 75 (1))
 pt 8 commenced 13 January 2012 (s 2 (1), [CN2012-1](#) and LA s 77 (3))

4 Amendment history

Commencement

s 2 om LA s 89 (4)

Biodegradable bag—Act, dict, def *biodegradable bag*

s 5 sub [A2011-54](#) s 16

5 Earlier republications

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

Since 12 September 2001 every authorised republication has been published in electronic pdf format on the ACT legislation register. A selection of authorised republications have also been published in printed format. These republications are marked with an asterisk (*) in column 1. Electronic and printed versions of an authorised republication are identical.

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