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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the Exhibited Animals Protection Regulation 2021.

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 1 September 2021 and is required to be published on the NSW legislation website.

Note-

This Regulation replaces the *Exhibited Animals Protection Regulation 2010*, which is repealed on 1 September 2021 by the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1989*, section 10(2).

3 Definitions

In this Regulation—

authorised premises means premises to which an authority relates, including land occupied by the holder of the authority for, or in connection with, the exhibition of animals in accordance with the authority.

authority means a licence, an approval or a permit.

drive-through area means a part of an animal display establishment in which an animal is exhibited and through which the public may be permitted to drive motor vehicles without being separated from the animal by a fence, moat or cage forming part of the establishment.

enclosure includes a cage or other structure in which an exhibited animal is kept or is treated for illness or injury.

farm means a place at which 1 or more animals of a species set out in Schedule 1 are kept for the primary purpose of primary production.

fence includes a wall or other barrier.

fixed establishment means an animal display establishment comprising premises used,

on an ongoing basis, for the display, and the keeping for display, of animals, other than the following—

- (a) a mobile establishment,
- (b) an off-display establishment.

licensed premises means premises to which a licence relates.

minor establishment means a fixed establishment at which no more than 30 animals are exhibited.

mobile establishment means an animal display establishment comprising premises used, on a temporary basis, for the display of the following animals, but only while the animals are displayed or kept for display at the premises—

- (a) animals that are the subject of an approval under the Act, section 22,
- (b) animals that are the subject of a permit.

off-display establishment means an animal display establishment comprising premises, including land, buildings, enclosures and facilities, used for the keeping for display of animals, but not the display of animals, that are—

- (a) the subject of an approval under the Act, section 22, or
- (b) the subject of a permit, or
- (c) ordinarily exhibited at a fixed establishment.

permit animal means an animal of a species set out in Schedule 2.

pet shop means premises in which animals are kept primarily for sale as pets in the course of a trade, business or profession.

Secretary means the Secretary of the Department.

the Act means the Exhibited Animals Protection Act 1986.

veterinary practitioner has the same meaning as in the *Veterinary Practice Act 2003*.

Note-

The Act and the *Interpretation Act 1987* contain definitions and other provisions that affect the interpretation and application of this Regulation.

Part 2 Animal display establishments

- 4 Exemptions from licensing requirements—the Act, s 4(1)
 - (1) An animal display establishment is exempt from the requirement to be licensed if the

only animals exhibited at the establishment are freshwater fish that are kept—

- (a) in a decorative or landscaped pond or ponds of any size, or
- (b) in an aquarium that has a capacity of less than 2,000 litres or aquaria that have a total capacity of less than 2,000 litres.
- (2) An animal display establishment is exempt from the requirement to be licensed if the only animals exhibited at the establishment are saltwater fish that are kept in an aquarium that has a capacity of less than 2,000 litres or aquaria that have a total capacity of less than 2,000 litres.
- (3) An animal display establishment is exempt from the requirement to be licensed in relation to an animal if the animal is in an enclosed area and the Secretary is satisfied—
 - (a) the animal is in a wild state, and
 - (b) given the nature and circumstances of the animal and establishment concerned, it would be unreasonable to require the use of the establishment to be licensed, and comply with the licensing requirements, under the Act.

Note-

Certain wildlife sanctuaries require and maintain very limited human interaction with the animals kept in the sanctuaries. In these cases the Secretary may be satisfied it is unreasonable to require the operator of the sanctuary to comply with the strict requirements of a licence under the Act.

- (4) An off-display establishment is exempt from the requirement to be licensed if—
 - (a) the animals being kept for display at the off-display establishment are animals authorised to be exhibited by a circus, and
 - (b) the animals are being kept for display at the off-display establishment on a temporary and short term basis, and
 - (c) the off-display establishment is not an off-display establishment at which the animals are ordinarily kept for display when the circus is not exhibiting the animals.
- 5 Animal displays not constituting exhibition—the Act, s 5(1), definition of "exhibit", paragraph (c)
 - (1) The display, or keeping for display, of an animal in the following circumstances does not constitute an exhibition of the animal for the purposes of the Act—
 - (a) the animal is a free-living animal in its natural habitat,
 - (b) the animal is a lawful captive and is part of a competitive display of household pets,

- (c) the animal is part of a competitive display of domestic farm animals,
- (d) the animal is a domestic farm animal being used to demonstrate the acquisition of wool, milk or other produce of a living animal,
- (e) the animal is of domestic hoof-stock and is performing, or is to perform, in an event at a rodeo.
- (f) the animal is a lawful captive that is not displayed, or kept for display, to the public,
- (g) the animal is displayed, or kept for display, in the course of carrying on the business of animal research, or in the course of carrying out animal research, without contravening the *Animal Research Act 1985*,
- (h) the animal, being an animal of a species listed in Schedule 3 and not being an animal kept under an approval or permit or at a licensed animal display establishment, is an animal used only for riding or racing,
- (i) the animal is kept in a pet shop for display and not for sale,
- (j) the animal, being an animal of a species listed in Schedule 1 and not being an animal kept under an approval or permit or at a licensed animal display establishment, is displayed—
 - (i) at an agricultural show or show parade conducted by the Royal Agricultural Society or a society that is a member of the Agricultural Societies Council, or
 - (ii) at an agricultural field day conducted on a farm or showground, or
 - (iii) on the farm on which the animal is kept,
- (k) the animal, being an animal of a species listed in Schedule 1, and not being an animal kept under an approval or permit or at a licensed animal display establishment, is displayed, or kept for display, for the purpose of promoting an agricultural product derived from the species, and—
 - (i) the animal is 1 of no more than 10 animals displayed, or kept for display, for the purpose at any 1 time, and
 - (ii) the display lasts for no more than 2 days at a time and is conducted at least 5 days after the most recent display of the animal, and
 - (iii) the animal is displayed near a display of the relevant agricultural product or shortly before or after a display of the product, and
 - (iv) the person who normally cares for the animal attends the animal for the duration of the display,

- (I) the animal is a fish that is kept at a fish hatchery or fish farm, otherwise than in a habitat display, for the purpose of—
 - (i) commercial food production, or
 - (ii) re-stocking of lakes, dams or waterways,
- (m) the animal is a lawful captive and is being displayed, or kept for display, at a meeting of an association dedicated to the keeping of the type of animal to which the animal belongs,
- (n) the animal is being displayed, or kept for display, by a school student at a school for a single "show-and-tell" activity.
- (2) If the display of an animal that constitutes exhibition for the purposes of the Act and the display of an animal that does not, because of subsection (1), constitute exhibition for the purposes of the Act take place at the same time on the same premises, an authority issued in relation to the premises applies to all animals at the premises.

Example-

If a pony ride, which is not exhibition for the purposes of the Act because of section 5(1)(h), takes place at an exhibition or display farm to which an approval relates, the approval, and the terms, conditions or standards that have effect under the approval, also apply to the pony ride.

6 Zoological parks—the Act, s 5(1), definition of "zoological park"

An educational, cultural, scientific or recreational purpose is a prescribed purpose.

7 Classes of animal display establishments

- (1) For the purposes of the Act, section 13, the following are prescribed as classes of animal display establishments—
 - (a) fixed establishments,
 - (b) mobile establishments,
 - (c) off-display establishments.
- (2) For the purposes of the Act, sections 12, 15 and 18, the following classes of animal display establishments are prescribed—
 - (a) fixed establishments,
 - (b) off-display establishments.

8 Standards for animal display establishments

(1) For the purposes of the Act, sections 14 and 25, the following, published by the Department or its predecessors, are prescribed as standards—

- (a) General Standards for Exhibiting Animals in New South Wales, published in February 2019,
- (b) Policy on Exhibiting Primates in New South Wales, published in March 2000,
- (c) Standards for Exhibiting Animals at Mobile Establishments in New South Wales, published in February 2019,
- (d) Standards for Exhibiting Animals during Temporary Removals in New South Wales, published in February 2019,
- (e) Standards for Exhibiting Australian Mammals in New South Wales, published in April 2006,
- (f) Standards for Exhibiting Bottle-nosed Dolphins (Tursiops truncatus) in New South Wales, published in April 1994,
- (g) Standards for Exhibiting Captive Raptors in New South Wales, published in May 2010,
- (h) Standards for Exhibiting Carnivores in New South Wales, published in August 2016,
- (i) Standards for Exhibiting Circus Animals in New South Wales, published in February 2019,
- (j) Standards for Exhibiting Seals in New South Wales, published in October 2008.
- (2) For the purposes of the Act, section 28(1), it is a condition of an authority that the exhibition of animals to which the authority relates must comply with the standards mentioned in subsection (1) that are applicable to the authority.
- (3) The Secretary, at the request of a person who is the applicant for or holder of an authority, may—
 - (a) if the authority relates to an animal display establishment that was in existence before 9 June 1989—vary a standard otherwise applicable under this section to the establishment, or
 - (b) if the authority relates to the exhibition of an animal that was exhibited by the person before 9 June 1989—vary a standard otherwise applicable under this section to the exhibition of the animal by the person.
- (4) If a standard is varied, the standard applicable to the establishment or exhibition of the animal concerned is the standard as varied.
- 9 Exhibitions of species of animals that require permits—the Act, ss 24 and 25

The species of animals prescribed are set out in Schedule 2.

Part 3 Authorities

Division 1 General

10 Application for issue, renewal or variation of authority—the Act, s 27

- (1) An application for the issue, renewal or variation of an authority or for the transfer of a licence—
 - (a) must be made in writing in the form approved by the Secretary for the purposes of the application, and
 - (b) must be accompanied by the relevant supporting documents referred to in the approved form and by the relevant fee or fees, and
 - (c) for an application for renewal—must be lodged with the Secretary during the month of May that last precedes expiration of the authority.
- (2) An application for a renewal of an authority that complies with subsection (1) operates to renew the authority until—
 - (a) the Secretary notifies the holder of the authority that renewal of the authority has been refused, or
 - (b) the application is deemed to be refused under the Act, section 27(4).
- (3) An application for renewal of an authority is not required, and subsection (2) has effect as if an application for renewal complying with subsection (1) had been made, if—
 - (a) the authority first takes effect during May or June, and
 - (b) the fee or fees for renewal of the authority is or are paid before the next succeeding 1 July.
- (4) The Secretary must not issue a licence unless—
 - (a) the applicant has, to the satisfaction of the Secretary, completed a course of study of a kind approved by the Secretary concerning the requirements of the Act and this Regulation, and
 - (b) the applicant understands, to the satisfaction of the Secretary, the requirements of the Act and this Regulation.
- (5) An application is not required for a licence to be issued under the Act, section 18(4).

11 Fees—the Act, s 27

(1) The fee for the lodgment of an application of a class specified in the Table to this section is the lodgment fee specified opposite the class of application.

- (2) The fee for the issue of an authority following an application of a class specified in the Table to this section is the issue fee specified opposite the class of application.
- (3) Despite subsection (2), if an authority issued by the Secretary is to take effect during a month other than July, the applicant is to pay—
 - (a) the applicable lodgment fee, and
 - (b) the applicable issue fee adjusted on a pro-rata basis.
- (4) In this section—

minor exhibitor means a person who exhibits or is to exhibit no more than 30 animals.

Table

Application for	Lodgment fee	Issue fee
Approval under the Act, section 18	\$230	nil
Licence under the Act, section 18	nil	\$285 for minor establishments, otherwise \$1,035
Renewal of licence under the Act, section 18	\$115	\$285 for minor establishments, otherwise \$1,035
Licence under the Act, section 18 and approval under the Act, section 22, if applications lodged by applicant at the same time	total fee for both applications—\$230	total fee for issue of licence and approval—the higher of the issue fee applying to the issue of the licence and the issue fee applying to the issue of the approval, if applied for individually
Renewal of licence under the Act, section 18 and renewal of approval under the Act, section 22, if applications lodged by applicant at the same time	total fee for both applications—\$115	total fee for issue of licence and approval—the higher of the issue fee applying to renewal of the licence and the issue fee applying to renewal of the approval, if applied for individually
Approval under the Act, section 19	\$46	nil
Approval under the Act, section 22	\$230	\$285 for minor exhibitors, otherwise \$1,035
Renewal of approval under the Act, section 22	\$115	\$285 for minor exhibitors, otherwise \$1,035

Permit under the Act, section 24	\$23 per species	nil if applicant holds current licence or approval, \$285 if the applicant is a minor exhibitor, otherwise \$1,035
Renewal of permit under the Act, section 24	nil if applicant holds current licence or approval, otherwise \$23 per species	nil if applicant holds current licence or approval, \$285 if the applicant is a minor exhibitor, otherwise \$1,035
Transfer of licence under the Act, section 27	\$230	\$285 for minor establishments, otherwise \$1,035
Variation of authority under the Act, section 27	\$23	nil

12 Duration of authority—the Act, s 29

An authority remains in force, unless it is earlier cancelled or in a period of suspension, until—

- (a) for an authority other than a renewed authority—1 July following the date on which the authority commences, or
- (b) for a renewed authority—1 July following the date on which the renewed authority commences.

Division 2 Conditions—the Act, s 28

13 Conservation education

It is a condition of an authority that the authority holder is to provide education to the public concerning the conservation of animals to a standard approved by the Secretary.

14 Australasian Species Management Program

An authority may include a condition requiring the holder to participate in the Australasian Species Management Program of the Zoo and Aquarium Association.

15 Conditions on approvals for mobile exhibitions

To avoid doubt, an approval under section 22 of the Act may include a condition requiring the holder to comply with requirements in relation to vehicles, or temporary or movable structures and facilities, used at a mobile exhibition for the display, or the keeping for display, of the animals to which the approval relates.

16 Breeding from stock

An authority is subject to a condition that the holder must not engage in the breeding of the animals to which the authority relates if the breeding—

- (a) would adversely affect the welfare of the progeny because of budgetary or space constraints, or
- (b) would, in the opinion of the Secretary, add to an existing surplus of the relevant species, or
- (c) would not be in accordance with the Australasian Species Management Program of the Zoo and Aquarium Association, or
- (d) in the opinion of the Secretary, would not, for another reason, be in the best interests of the relevant species or an individual animal.

17 Insurance

An authority is subject to a condition requiring the holder to maintain a policy of insurance, providing cover of an amount approved by the Secretary, against liability of the holder, or of a servant or agent of the holder, for death, injury or damage that arises out of or in connection with an activity authorised by the authority.

18 Exhibition of animals at circuses

It is a condition of an approval under the Act, Part 3, Division 2 authorising the exhibition of an animal at a circus that the animal will be kept and exhibited in accordance with the Standards for Exhibiting Circus Animals in New South Wales, published in February 2019.

19 Imposition of terms and conditions by the Secretary

- (1) Terms or conditions of an authority may be imposed by the Secretary under the Act, section 28(1)(c) after the issue of the authority—
 - (a) at the request of the holder of the authority, or
 - (b) other than at the request of the holder of the authority, if subsection (3) is complied with before imposition of the term or condition.
- (2) A term or condition of an authority that is specified under the Act, section 28(1)(b) in the authority when it is issued, or that is imposed by the Secretary under the Act, section 28(1)(c) after it is issued, may be varied by the Secretary if the decision to make the variation is made after subsection (3) is complied with.
- (3) This subsection is complied with if—
 - (a) the Secretary gives the holder of the authority written notice the Secretary is considering the imposition or variation of terms or conditions specified in the notice, and
 - (b) the notice states the holder of the authority may, within a specified time, make written representations to the Secretary or arrange with the Secretary to make oral representations, and

- (c) before making any decision in relation to a term, condition or variation under consideration, the Secretary takes into account the relevant representations.
- (4) Despite another provision of this section, the Secretary may, at any time, revoke a term or condition of an authority that is—
 - (a) specified under the Act, section 28(1)(b) in the authority when it is issued, or
 - (b) imposed by the Secretary under the Act, section 28(1)(c) after it is issued.

Part 4 Offences—the Act, s 53

20 Display of authority

The holder of an authority must cause the authority to be at all times publicly displayed in a prominent position—

- (a) if the authority is a permit or approval—at the premises at which the animals concerned are being displayed, or
- (b) otherwise—on the authorised premises.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

21 Veterinary drugs

- (1) The holder of an authority must ensure veterinary drugs, vaccines and similar products kept on the authorised premises are kept in a way that allows access to them only by a veterinary practitioner or a person authorised by a veterinary practitioner.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.
- (2) The holder of an authority must not cause or permit a person, other than a veterinary practitioner, to administer a drug or vaccine to an animal that is exhibited on authorised premises except as directed by a veterinary practitioner.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.
- (3) A person other than a veterinary practitioner must not, except as directed by a veterinary practitioner, administer a drug or vaccine to an animal that is exhibited on authorised premises.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

22 Notification of outbreak of disease

The holder of an authority must notify the Secretary of a widespread outbreak of a debilitating or fatal disease among the animals on the authorised premises no later than 24 hours after discovery of the outbreak.

23 Disposal of unwanted veterinary equipment

- (1) The holder of an authority must not cause or permit a person to dispose of unwanted or contaminated veterinary equipment from authorised premises in a way that results in the equipment becoming a danger to a person.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.
- (2) A person disposing of unwanted or contaminated veterinary equipment from authorised premises must dispose of the equipment in a way that does not result in the equipment becoming a danger to a person.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

24 Tethering of animals

- (1) A person must not chain or tether an exhibited animal, or cause or permit an exhibited animal to be chained or tethered, to an anchorage except for the purposes of veterinary treatment or grooming.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply—
 - (a) to elephants or domesticated hoof-stock, if the *Standards for Exhibiting Circus Animals in New South Wales*, published in February 2019, are observed, or
 - (b) to elephants on licensed premises that are not on display—
 - (i) at night, or
 - (ii) during an emergency situation, or
 - (c) to raptors, if the *Standards for Exhibiting Captive Raptors in New South Wales*, published in May 2010, are observed.

25 Dangerous or unsuitable housing

- (1) If the Secretary or an inspector considers an exhibited animal is caged or otherwise housed in conditions that threaten human safety or are unsuitable for the animal, the Secretary or the inspector may direct the exhibitor of the animal—
 - (a) to remove the animal to a cage or other housing approved by the Secretary or the inspector, or
 - (b) to modify the cage or housing in a specified way within a specified time, or
 - (c) to demolish the cage or housing within a specified time.

(2) An exhibitor of an animal who is given a direction under subsection (1) must comply with the direction.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

26 Exhibition of unconfined animal

The exhibitor of an animal in contact with the public must supervise and control the animal in a way that prevents injury to the public or to the animal.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

27 Safety in drive-through area

(1) The exhibitor of a dangerous animal kept in a drive-through area must cause admission of a motor vehicle to the area to be refused unless the persons in the vehicle are enclosed within a solid structure forming part of the vehicle.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

- (2) While a person is inside a drive-through area, the exhibitor of a dangerous animal in the area must cause—
 - (a) a suitable vehicle to be immediately available to rescue an endangered person, whether or not by towing or lifting a vehicle containing the endangered person, and
 - (b) continuous observation to be maintained over the entire area, and
 - (c) a suitably trained and armed member of staff of the animal display establishment that includes the area to be immediately available to kill or sedate an animal to save human life or prevent injury.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

(3) In this section—

dangerous animal means—

- (a) an animal, including a lion, tiger or bear, of a species whose members ordinarily pose a significant risk of death or injury to the public, or
- (b) an animal that, because of its particular disposition, health or other condition, poses a significant risk of death or injury to the public.

28 Escape of animal

- (1) An exhibitor of a permit animal must, if the animal escapes from authorised premises, notify the Secretary—
 - (a) of the escape within 2 hours, and

- (b) immediately on recapture of the animal.
- (2) If a permit animal escapes from an enclosure within authorised premises but not from the premises, the permit holder must notify the Secretary—
 - (a) of the escape within 2 hours, and
 - (b) immediately on recapture of the animal.
- (3) If an animal other than a permit animal escapes from authorised premises, or from an enclosure within authorised premises but not from the premises, the holder of the authority must notify the Secretary—
 - (a) of the escape within 48 hours, and
 - (b) immediately on recapture of the animal.
- (4) The holder of an authority must make all reasonable efforts to recover, alive or dead, an exhibited animal that escapes.

29 Venomous animals

An exhibitor of an animal that is venomous to human beings must—

- (a) if a suitable antivenom exists, at all times have an appropriate supply of the antivenom available at the place of exhibition of the animal or at the nearest hospital, and
- (b) maintain an emergency plan for the treatment of a person envenomed by the animal.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

30 Reporting of injuries to people

The holder of an authority must immediately report to the Secretary an incident caused by an animal to which the authority relates involving—

- (a) the death of a person, or
- (b) injury to a person that requires medical treatment.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

31 Noisy construction and maintenance work

An exhibitor of animals must take the necessary steps to alleviate undue distress or disturbance of the animals resulting from the noise of construction or maintenance work carried on by or on behalf of the exhibitor.

32 Acquisition and sale of animals

- (1) The holder of an authority must not—
 - (a) acquire an animal for exhibition if the holder knows, or ought reasonably to know, the transaction is with a person who, by acquiring, possessing or selling the animal, committed an offence under the Act or 1 of the following Acts—
 - (i) the Animal Research Act 1985,
 - (ii) the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 or the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016,
 - (iii) the Biosecurity Act 2015,
 - (iv) the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* of the Commonwealth, or
 - (b) sell an exhibited animal to a person who the holder knows, or ought reasonably to know, by acquiring, possessing or selling the animal would commit an offence under the Act or another Act referred to in paragraph (a), or
 - (c) acquire or sell an animal of a species listed in Schedule 2 without the consent of the Secretary.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

(2) In this section, **sell** an animal includes transfer possession of the animal.

33 Removal of exhibited animal

- (1) The holder of a licence for a fixed establishment must not, without the written consent of the Secretary, keep an exhibited animal, or cause or permit an exhibited animal to be kept, outside—
 - (a) the fixed establishment in which it is ordinarily exhibited, or
 - (b) an off-display establishment associated with or used in connection with the fixed establishment.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

- (2) The holder of an authority must not remove an animal from the authorised premises unless—
 - (a) an application in the approved form for the consent of the Secretary to the removal of the animal was made—

- (i) at least 7 days before the proposed removal, or
- (ii) by agreement with the Secretary, at a later time, and
- (b) the Secretary has given written consent to the removal of the animal.

- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) do not apply in relation to an animal if—
 - (a) the animal is being taken to, or returned from, the premises of a veterinary practitioner, or
 - (b) the animal is being kept on the premises of a veterinary practitioner for treatment or observation, or
 - (c) for an animal ordinarily kept for display in an off-display establishment—the animal is being taken to, or returned from, premises outside the off-display establishment for display at the premises in compliance with an approval under the Act, section 22 or a permit, or
 - (d) the animal is being transported to give effect to its lawful disposition or acquisition.
- (4) In this section, **approved form** means a form approved by the Secretary.

34 Exemption from requirements concerning acquisition, disposal and removal of animals

- (1) The Secretary may exempt a holder of an authority, or a class of holder of an authority, from the requirements of section 32(1)(c) or 33(2).
- (2) The exemption may be given either unconditionally or subject to conditions.
- (3) Where an exemption is given subject to conditions, the exemption does not have effect while a condition is not being complied with.

35 Compliance with conditions

The holder of an authority must comply with the conditions to which the authority or an exemption given to the holder under section 34 is subject.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

36 Animal records

(1) In this section—

relevant period, in relation to an authority, means—

(a) the period that begins when the authority first takes effect and ends on the next succeeding 30 April, and

- (b) each period of 12 months that commences on 1 May and succeeds the period referred to in paragraph (a).
- (2) The holder of an authority must, at all times during a relevant period while the authority is in force, keep animal records in a form approved by the Secretary on the authorised premises or at another place approved by the Secretary.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (2), if an authority relates to more than 1 premises the animal records need only be kept at the premises at which the animal concerned is most often kept.
- (4) As soon as practicable after information required to keep the animal records up-todate becomes available to the holder of an authority, the holder must cause the information to be entered in the animal records.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.
- (5) The holder of an authority is guilty of an offence if the holder fails to—
 - (a) notify the Secretary within 7 days after the loss of, or damage to, the animal records. or
 - (b) enter, or allow an entry to be made, in the animal records—
 - (i) if the records are in a written or printed form—in ink, or
 - (ii) if the records are stored in electronic form—in a way approved by the Secretary, or
 - (c) delete an erroneous entry in the animal records, or allow an erroneous entry to be deleted—
 - (i) if the records are in a written or printed form—by drawing a single line through the entry, or
 - (ii) if the records are stored in electronic form—in a way approved by the Secretary.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.
- (6) A person must not enter, or allow an entry to be made, in the animal records that the person knows to be false or misleading in a material particular.
 - Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.
- (7) The holder of an authority making an application for its renewal must lodge with the application the animal records required to be kept during the relevant period for the authority that last preceded the application.

- (8) The former holder of the authority must, not later than 14 days after expiration of an authority, lodge with the Secretary the animal records the former holder was required to keep—
 - (a) during the relevant period for the authority that expired on the last preceding 30 April, and
 - (b) during the relevant period for the authority that commenced on the last preceding 1 May.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

(9) If an authority is surrendered, suspended or cancelled, the holder, or former holder, of the authority must lodge with the Secretary, within 14 days after the surrender or being notified of the suspension or cancellation, the animal records the holder, or former holder, was required to keep during the relevant period for the authority that commenced on 1 May last preceding the surrender, suspension or cancellation.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

37 Other records

- An exhibitor of animals must maintain, in a way approved by the Secretary, an up-todate record of—
 - (a) illness, disease, injury or other poor health of the animals, and
 - (b) the day-to-day progress or regress of the animals, and
 - (c) the treatment, medicinal and otherwise, administered to the animals.
- (2) An exhibitor of animals must maintain, in a way approved by the Secretary, an up-todate record of routine checks made on the health of the animals.
- (3) An exhibitor of animals must maintain, in a way approved by the Secretary, an up-todate record of veterinary inspections of the animals and veterinary care given to the animals.
- (4) An exhibitor of animals must keep, for at least 2 years after it is made, a record made under this section.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

38 Species identification

(1) An exhibitor of animals must make, and keep for at least 2 years after it is made, a record of the name and qualifications of a person who identifies a species of animals

for the exhibitor.

(2) An exhibitor of animals must, if directed by the Secretary, have the species of the animals identified by a person nominated by the Secretary.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

39 Variation of record keeping obligations

The Secretary may, at the request of the holder of an authority or an exhibitor, exempt the holder or exhibitor from an obligation to keep records otherwise applicable to the holder or exhibitor under section 36, 37 or 38.

40 Attendants and other staff

- (1) An exhibitor of animals must employ the number of adequately trained and competent staff necessary to maintain daily the level of animal husbandry required by this Regulation.
- (2) An exhibitor of animals must employ the number of qualified or experienced animal attendants necessary to maintain the level of care of the animals required by this Regulation.
- (3) An exhibitor of animals must make the necessary arrangements to ensure there will at all times be a person authorised to call for veterinary advice in relation to the animals.

Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

Part 5 Miscellaneous

41 Organisations that may nominate persons to be members of advisory committee—the Act, s 6(4)(e) and (f)

- (1) The following are prescribed animal welfare organisations—
 - (a) Animal Welfare League NSW,
 - (b) Humane Society International,
 - (c) Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals,
 - (d) World Wide Fund for Nature Australia.
- (2) The following are prescribed organisations representing exhibitors of animals—
 - (a) Circus Federation of Australia,
 - (b) Mobile Wildlife Educators Association.
 - (c) New South Wales Fauna and Marine Parks Association,

(d) Zoo and Aquarium Association.

42 Bonds paid as condition of cetacea display licence—the Act, s 37

- (1) For the purposes of the Act, section 37(1)—
 - (a) the prescribed amount is \$60,000, and
 - (b) an arrangement for a financial institution to guarantee the payment of an amount not exceeding \$60,000 to the Secretary is a prescribed arrangement.
- (2) The Secretary must invest money—
 - (a) that is deposited with the Secretary under the Act, section 37 by a licensee and has not, for the time being, been spent in accordance with the section, or
 - (b) that is paid to the Secretary under an arrangement referred to in subsection (1)(b) and has not, for the time being, been spent in accordance with the Act, section 37.
- (3) The Secretary must—
 - (a) invest the money—
 - (i) in a way authorised by the *Trustee Act 1925* for the investment of trust funds, and
 - (ii) so that not more than 1 month's notice is required for its repayment, and
 - (b) arrange for the income to be paid directly to, or as authorised by, the licensee.
- (4) In subsection (1)—

financial institution means—

- (a) an authorised deposit-taking institution, or
- (b) a financial institution approved by the Secretary.

43 Period of time for return of seized animal—the Act, s 41

A period of 6 months after seizure of an animal under the Act, section 40 is the prescribed period after which the animal must be returned unless earlier dealt with under the Act.

44 Registered particulars relating to licences—the Act, s 21

The prescribed fee for a certificate containing a copy of the registered particulars relating to an animal display establishment is \$58.

45 Penalty notice offences—the Act, s 46A

For the purposes of the Act, section 46A—

- (a) an offence under a provision of the Act or this Regulation specified in Schedule 4, Column 1 is prescribed as a penalty notice offence, and
- (b) the amount specified in Schedule 4, Column 2 in relation to an offence is the prescribed amount of penalty for the offence.

46 Savings

Any act, matter or thing that, immediately before the repeal of the *Exhibited Animals Protection Regulation 2010*, had effect under that Regulation continues to have effect under this Regulation.

47 (Repealed)

Schedule 1 Exemptions—animals displayed at certain agricultural shows and rural areas

sections 3 and 5(1)(j) and (k)

Birds (Class Aves)

Alectoris chukar Chukar Partridge

Anas platyrhynchos Domestic Duck

Anser anser and Anser cygnoides Domestic Goose

Columba livia Domestic Pigeon

Coturnix Coturnix Japanese Quail

Dromaius novaehollandiae Emu

Gallus gallus Domestic Chicken

Meleagris gallopavo Domestic Turkey

Numida meleagris Helmeted Guineafowl

Phasianus colchicus Ring-necked Pheasant

Struthio camelus Ostrich

Mammals (Class Mammalia)

Canis familiaris

Bos taurus and Bos indicus Domestic Cattle

Domestic Dog, but limited to Working Breeds (Farm (Working)

Dog)

Capra hircus Domestic Goat

Cervus dama Fallow Deer

Cervus elaphus Red Deer (Wapiti)

Cervus timorensis Rusa Deer

Cervus unicolor Sambar Deer

Equus asinus Domestic Donkey

Equus caballus Domestic Horse

Lama glama Llama

Lama pacos Alpaca

Oryctolagus cuniculus Domestic Rabbit

Ovis aries Domestic Sheep

Sus scrofa Domestic Pig

Schedule 2 Animals for which a section 24 permit is required

sections 3 and 9

Part 1 Sharks and rays (Class Chondrichthyes)

Order Lamniformes Mackerel Sharks

Family Lamnidae Mackerel Sharks

Subfamily Lamninae White Sharks and Mako (Blue Pointer) Sharks

All species

Family Odontaspididae Sand Tigers

Carcharias taurus Grey Nurse Sharks

Order Carcharhiniformes Ground Sharks

Family Carcharhinidae Requiem Sharks

Subfamily Carcharhininae Tiger Sharks, Whaler Shark and Reef Sharks

All species

Family Sphyrnidae Hammerhead Sharks

All species

Order Rajiformes Sawfish, Skates and Rays

Family Dasyatidae Rays, Rat-tailed Rays and Stingarees

Subfamily Dasyatinae Stingrays

All species

Part 2 Fish (Class Osteichthyes)

Order Scorpaeniformes Waspfish, Firefish, Scorpion Cods, Stonefishes,

Velvetfishes, Gurnards and Flatheads

Family Scorpaenidae Scorpion Cods

All species

Family Tetrarogidae Bullrouts

All species

Family Synanceiidae Stonefish

All species

Order Ceratodontiformes Lungfish

Neoceratodus forsteri Australian Lungfish

Part 3 Amphibians (Class Amphibia)

Order Anura Frogs and Toads

Family Bufonidae Toads

Bufo marinus Cane Toad

Family Dendrobatidae Poison Arrow Frogs

All species

Family Hylidae Tree Frogs

Litoria aurea Green and Gold Bell Frog

Family Leptodactylidae

Ceratophrys spp. Horned-frogs

Family Myobatrachidae Southern Frogs

Pseudophryne spp. Corroboree Frog

Family Pipidae

Xenopus laevis Clawed Toad

Family Ranidae

Pyxicephalus adspersus African Bullfrog

Family Rhacophoridae

Philautus romeri Romer's Tree-frog

Order Caudata Newts, Salamanders and Allies

All species except *Ambystoma mexicanum*—Axolotl

Part 4 Reptiles (Class Reptilia)

Order Crocodilia Crocodiles, Alligators and Allies

All species

Order Sphenodontia Tuataras

Family Sphenodidae Tuataras

All species

Order Chelonia Tortoises and Turtles

Family Carettochelyidae Pitted-shelled Turtles

Carettochelys insculpta

Family Cheloniidae Sea Turtles

All species

Family Chelidae Freshwater Tortoises

Pseudemydura umbrina Western Swamp Tortoise

Chelus fimbriatus Matamata

Platemys platycephala Twist-necked Turtle

Family Chelydridae

All species

Family Dermochelyidae Leathery Turtles

All species

Family Emydidae

All species

Family Kinosternidae

All species

Family Testudinidae Land Tortoises

All species

Family Trionychidae

All species

Order Squamata Lizards and Snakes

Sub-Order Lacertilia Lizards

Family Agamidae

Calotes spp. Variable-lizards

Hydrosaurus pustulatus Philippine Water-lizard; Sail-fin Lizard

Family Anguidae

Pseudopus apodus Sheltopusik; Glass-lizard

Family Chamaeleonidae Chameleons

All species Chameleons

Family Cordylidae

Cordylus giganteus Sungazer

Gerrhosaurus validus Giant Plated-lizard

Family Gekkonidae

Eublepharis macularius Leopard Gekko; Fat-tailed Gekko

Gekko gecko Tokay

Hemidactylus frenatus Cheechak; House Gekko

Lepidodactylus lugubris Mourning Gekko; Sad Gekko

Phelsuma madagascariensis Madagascar Gekko

Rhacodactylus auriculatus Eared Caledonian-gekko

Rhacodactylus leachianus Cuvier's Caledonian-gekko

Family Helodermatidae Gila Monster and Beaded Lizard

All species

Family Iguanidae Iguanas

All species

Family Lacertidae

All species

Family Scincidae

Tribolonotus gracilis Crocodile Skink

Family Teiidae

Tupinambis teguixin Black and White Tegu

Family Pygopodidae Legless Lizards

Delma impar Striped Legless Lizard

Family Varanidae Monitors

Varanus giganteus Perentie

Varanus komodoensis Komodo Dragon

Varanus salvadorii Salvadori's Monitor; Papuan Monitor

Varanus varius Lace Monitor

Sub-Order Serpentes Snakes

Family Acrochordidae

Acrochordus javanicus Javan File-snake

Family Boidae Pythons and Boas

Subfamily Boinae

All species

Subfamily Pythoninae

Bothrochilus boeleni Boelen's Python

Liasis amethystina Scrub Python

Morelia boa Ringed Python

Python curtus Blood Python; Short Python

Python molurus Burmese Python

Python regius Ball Python

Python reticulatus Reticulated Python

Python sebae African Rock Python

Family Colubridae

Boiga dendrophila Mangrove Snake

Drymarchon corais Cribos

Elaphe guttata Corn Snake; Red Rat-snake

Elaphe obsoleta Black Rat-snake

Elaphe quatorlineata Four-lined Rat-snake

Elaphe schrenkii Russian Rat-snake

Elaphe taeniurus Black-tailed Rat-snake; Taiwan Rat-snake

Lampropeltis getulus King Snake

Lampropeltis mexicana Grey-banded Snake

Lampropeltis triangulum Milk Snake

Pituophis melanoleucus Bull Snake; Pine Snake

Family Crotalidae Rattlesnakes

All species

Family Elapidae Front-fanged Venomous Snakes

All species of the genera-

Acanthophis Death Adders

Austrelaps Copperhead Snakes

Cryptophis Small-eyed Snakes

Haemachatus Spitting Cobras

Hoplocephalus Broad-headed Snakes

Naja Cobras

Notechis Tiger Snakes

Ophiophagus King Cobras

Oxyuranus Taipans and Fierce Snakes

Pseudechis Black Snakes

Pseudonaja Brown Snakes

Tropidechis Rough-scaled Snakes

Vermicella Bandy-Bandy

Family Hydrophiidae Sea Snakes

All species

Family Laticaudidae Sea Kraits

All species

Family Viperidae Vipers

All species

Part 5 Birds (Class Aves)

Order Struthioniformes Ostriches

Family Struthionidae

Struthio camelus Ostrich

Order Rheiformes Rheas

All species

Order Casuariiformes Cassowaries

Family Casuariidae Cassowaries

All species

Order Apterygiformes Kiwis

All species

Order Sphenisciformes Penguins

All species

Order Procellariiformes Albatrosses, Shearwaters and Petrels

All species

Order Ciconiiformes

Herons, Bitterns, Storks, Ibises, Spoonbills,

Hammerheads and Flamingos

Family Threskiornithidae Ibises and Spoonbills

Platalea regia Royal Spoonbill

Family Ciconiidae Storks

Xenorhynchus asiaticus Black-necked Stork

Family Cathartidae New World Vultures

All species

Family Phoenicopteridae Flamingos

All species

Order Anseriformes Swans, Ducks and Geese

Family Anatidae Swans, Ducks and Geese

Stictonetta naevosa Freckled Duck

Order Falconiformes

Vultures, Ospreys, Falcons, Kites, Eagles, Harriers,

Hawks, Secretary Birds and Buzzards

All species

Order Galliformes Pheasants, Quails, Grouse, Turkeys, Guineafowl,

Megapodes (mound-nesters), Curassows and Guans

Family Megapodiidae Megapodes or Mound-builders

Leipoa ocellata Malleefowl

Order Gruiformes Cranes, Trumpeters, Rails, Bustards, Button-quails,

Seriemas, Mesites and Finfoots

Family Turnicidae Button-quail

Turnix melanogaster Black-breasted Button-quail

Family Gruidae Cranes

All species

Family Rallidae Rails, Crakes, Moorhens and Coots

Gallirallus sylvestris Lord Howe Island Woodhen

Family Otididae Bustards

Ardeotis australis Australian Bustard

Order Charadriiformes Plovers, Sandpipers, Stilts, Snipes, Oystercatchers,

Curlews and Sheathbills

All species except Larus novaehollandiae Silver Gull

Order Columbiformes Pigeons and Doves

Family Columbidae Pigeons and Doves

Ptilinopus regina Rose-Crowned Fruit Dove

Order Psittaciformes Cockatoos and Parrots

Family Cacatuidae Cockatoos

Cacatua pastinator Western Long-billed Corella

Callocephalon fimbriatum Gang Gang Cockatoo

Calyptorhynchus spp. Black Cockatoos

Probosciger aterrimus Palm Cockatoo

Family Psittacidae Parrots

Ara ararauna Blue and Yellow Macaw

Ara chloroptera Green-winged Macaw

Ara macao Scarlet Macaw

Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus Hyacinth Macaw

Cyanoramphus unicolor Antipodes Island Green Kakariki

Cyclopsitta diophthalma Double-eyed Fig-parrot

Eclectus roratus macgilivrayi Eclectus Parrot (Australian subspecies)

Lathamus discolor Swift Parrot

Neophema chrysogaster Orange-bellied Parrot

Neophema petrophila Rock Parrot

Nestor meridionalis meridionalis South Island Kaka

Nestor meridionalis septentrionalis North Island Kaka

Nestor notabilis Kea

Psephotus chrysopterygius Golden-shouldered Parrot

Strigops habroptilus Kakapo

Order Cuculiformes Cuckoos, Touracos and Hoatzins

All species

Order Strigiformes Owls

All species

Order Caprimulgiformes Nightjars, Frogmouths, Potoos and Oilbirds

All species except *Podargus strigoides* Tawny Frogmouth

Order Coraciiformes Kingfishers, Rollers, Hornbills and Allies

Family Alcedinidae Kingfishers and Kookaburras

Todiramphus sanctus Sacred Kingfisher

Order Passeriformes Perching Birds

Family Pittidae Pittas

All species

Family Menuridae Lyrebirds

All species

Family Maluridae Fairy-wrens

Malurus lamberti lamberti Variegated Fairy-wren

Family Meliphagidae Honeyeaters

Lichenostomus melanops cassidix Helmeted Honeyeater

Manorina melanotis Black-eared Miner

Xanthomyza phrygia Regent Honeyeater

Family Passeridae Finches and Mannikins

Emblema bella Beautiful Firetail

Stagonopleura oculata Red-eared Firetail

Family Paradisaeidae Birds-of-Paradise

All species

Part 6 Mammals (Class Mammalia)

Monotremes (Subclass Prototheria)—egg-laying mammals

Order Monotremata Platypus and Echidnas

Family Tachyglossidae Echidnas

Zaglossus bruijni Long-beaked Echidna

Family Ornithorhynchidae Platypus

Ornithorhynchus anatinus Platypus

Marsupials (Subclass Marsupialia)—pouched mammals

Order Dasyuromorphia Quolls, Tasmanian Devils, Phascogales, Antechinus,

Dunnarts and Numbats

Family Dasyuridae Carnivorous and Insectivorous Marsupials

Dasycercus cristicauda Mulgara

Dasyurus spp. Quolls

Parantechinus apicalis Dibbler

Phascogale spp. Phascogales

Sarcophilus harrisii Tasmanian Devil

Family Myrmecobiidae Numbat

Myrmecobius fasciatus Numbat

Order Peramelemorphia Bandicoots and Bilby

Family Peramelidae Bandicoots

Echymipera rufescens Long-nosed Echymipera

Isoodon auratus Golden Bandicoot

Perameles bougainville Western Barred Bandicoot

Perameles gunnii Eastern Barred Bandicoot

Family Thylacomyidae Bilby

Macrotis lagotis Greater Bilby

Family Peroryctidae Spiny Bandicoots

All species

Order Diprotodontia Koalas, Wombats, Possums, Gliders, Kangaroos, Wallabies

and Rat-kangaroos

Family Phascolarctidae Koala

Phascolarctos cinereus Koala

Family Vombatidae Wombats

Lasiorhinus krefftii Northern Hairy-nosed Wombat

Family Burramyidae Pygmy-possums

Burramys parvus Mountain Pygmy-possum

Family Petauridae Gliders, Striped Possum and Leadbeater's Possum

Dactylopsila spp. Striped Possums

Gymnobelideus leadbeateri Leadbeater's Possum

Petaurus australis Yellow-bellied Glider

Petaurus breviceps papuanus Sugar Glider (New Guinean subspecies)

Petaurus gracilis Mahogany Glider

Petaurus norfolcensis Squirrel Glider

Family Pseudocheiridae Ringtail Possums and Greater Glider

All species except Pseudocheirus

peregrinus

Family Phalangeridae Brushtail Possums, Cuscuses and Scaly-tailed Possums

Phalanger spp. Cuscus

Spilocuscus spp. Cuscus

Wyulda squamicaudata Scaly-tailed possum

Family Hypsiprymnodontidae Musky Rat-kangaroo

Hypsiprymnodon moschatus Musky Rat-kangaroo

Family Potoroidae Bettongs and Potoroos

Bettongia lesueur Burrowing Bettong

Bettongia tropica Northern Bettong

Potorous gilberti Gilbert's Potoroo

Potorous longipes Long-footed Potoroo

Family Macropodidae Kangaroos and Wallabies

Dendrolagus spp. Tree Kangaroos

Dorcopsis spp. Forest Wallabies

Lagorchestes hirsutus Mala

Lagostrophus fasciatus Banded Hare-wallaby

Macropus irma Western Brush Wallaby

Onychogalea fraenata Bridled Nailtail Wallaby

Petrogale spp. Rock-wallabies

Order Notoryctemorphia Marsupial Moles

All species

Eutherian mammals (Subclass Eutheria)—placental mammals

Order Soricomorphia Shrews, Hedgehogs

All species

Order Scandentia Tree-Shrews

All species

Order Pilosa Sloths and Anteaters

All species

Order Cingulata Armadillos

All species

Order Chiroptera Flying-foxes and Insectivorous Bats

All species

Order Primates Lorises, Bush-babies, Lemurs, Tarsiers, Marmosets,

Tamarins, Monkeys and Apes

All species

Order Carnivora Dogs, Bears, Raccoons, Weasels, Mongooses, Hyenas,

Cats, Seals, Sea-lions and Walruses

All species except the following-

Canis familiaris Domestic Dog

Felis catus Domestic Cat

Mustela putorius Domestic Ferret

Order Tubulidentata Aardvark

Ocryctopus after Aardvark

Order Sirenia Dungogs and Manatees

All species

Order Proboscidea Elephants

All species

Order Perissodactyla Asses, Horses, Zebras, Tapirs and Rhinoceroses

All species except the following-

Equus asinus Domestic Donkey

Equus caballus Domestic Horse

Order Artiodactyla Camels, Llamas, Pigs, Hippopotamuses, Deer, Giraffes,

Cattle, Sheep, Antelopes and Peccaries

All species except the following-

Bos taurus Domestic Cattle

Bos indicus Domestic Cattle

Capra hircus Domestic Goat

Lama glama Llama

Lama pacos Alpaca

Ovis aries Domestic Sheep

Sus scrofa Domestic Pig, Wild Boar

Order Rodentia Squirrels, Beavers, Gophers, Mice, Rats, Porcupines and

South American Cavy-like Rodents

All species except the following-

Notomys alexis and Pseudomys australis

Cavia porcellus Guinea Pig

Mus musculus House Mouse

Notomys alexis Spinifex Hopping-mouse

Pseudomys australis Plains Mouse

Rattus norvegicus Norwegian Rat

Rattus rattus Black Rat

Order Cetacea Whales and Dolphins

All species

Part 7 Hybrids

A hybrid of which 1 parent is, or both parents are, of a species listed in Parts 1 to 6.

Schedule 3 Exemptions—animals used for riding or racing

section 5(1)(h)

Bos taurus and Bos indicus

Camelus dromedarius

Canis lupus familiaris

Domestic Cattle

Domestic Cattle

Capra hircusDomestic GoatEquus caballusDomestic HorseEquus asinusDomestic DonkeyEquus caballus x asinusDomestic Mule

Schedule 4 Penalty notices

section 45

Column 1	Column 2
Provision	Penalty
Exhibited Animals Protection Act 1986	
Section 12	\$500
Section 18(1)	\$500
Section 19	\$500
Section 22(2)	\$500
Section 24	\$500
Section 31(1)	\$200
Section 31(2)(a), (b) or (d)	\$500
Section 44	\$500
Section 45	\$500
Exhibited Animals Protection Regulation 2021	
Section 20	\$200
Section 21(1)-(3)	\$200
Section 22	\$200
Section 23(1) or (2)	\$200
Section 24(1)	\$200
Section 25(2)	\$200
Section 26	\$200
Section 27(1) or (2)	\$200
Section 28	\$200
Section 29	\$200
Section 30	\$200

Section 32(1)(c)	\$200
Section 33(1) or (2)	\$200
Section 35	\$200
Section 36(2), (4), (5) or (7)-(9)	\$200
Section 37	\$200
Section 38	\$200
Section 40(3)	\$200