

Licence to Catch and Release Possums

Application for a biodiversity conservation licence under the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* to catch and release possums

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transactions). You may also pay by cheque or money order (made payable to Office of Environment and Heritage). The fee is \$30.00 PAYMENT DETAILS **Credit Card Expiry Date:** * Record the last 3 digits. The CVV number is printed on the back of your credit / debit card directly next to the signature panel strip and the cards account number Total amount to be debited: \$ Card number Name on card: Card holder's signature: Do you give permission for OEH to publish your name, contact phone number, email address Yes/No and/or web address on the website: www.environment.nsw.gov.au Applicant's Date: signature: dd mm yyyy

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Public register

As required by the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*, a public register of wildlife licences will be published on the OEH website. The public register will not include personal information of individuals (e.g. name, postal and email address, phone number and date of birth). Information about the location of plants and animals covered by licences will be restricted to post code.

Offences

It is an offence to provide false or misleading information in applications and documents in connection with matters under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016.

Standard Possum Licence Conditions

- 1. For the purposes of this licence and conditions the term:
 - a. "OEH" means: the Office of Environment and Heritage;
 - b. "BC Act" means: the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016;
 - c. "cage traps" means: a trap with dimensions of at least 60cm by 30cm by 30cm;
 - d. "property" means: the place identified in the property address;
 - e. "harm" is restricted to the trap and release of animals.
- 2. The licensee may issue an authority to an employee to operate under the terms of this licence.
- 3. The licensee will ensure that persons operating under the authority of this licence will be provided with a copy of the licence and comply with all the conditions of the licence.
- 4. A register of the full names and date of birth of all persons (employees) operating under the terms of this licence must be maintained by the licensee and submitted with their annual licence renewal.
- 5. The licensee must not kill or injure any animals whilst carrying out activities in connection with this licence.
- 6. The licensee must only harm animals on properties where the landholder holds a valid Landholder's Licence to Harm Protected Animals under Part 2 of the BC Act.
- 7. Animals harmed under this licence must be caught live using cage traps.
- 8. Lethal traps, leg snares, or poison of any kind must not be used to harm animals.
- 9. Animals must not be left in a cage for a period of more than 24 hours.
- 10. The licensee must check each cage daily between the hours of 5am and 10am.
- 11. Any animals harmed must only be removed from a roof cavity whilst the animal is inside a cage covered by a permeable material.
- 12. The licensee must release animals:
 - a. unharmed;
 - b. after sunset;
 - c. on the property on which they were captured; and
 - d. within 150m from the point of capture.
- 13. The licensee must release animals against a structure that they can immediately climb.
- 14. The licensee must not release animals in an area where there is a high probability of injury or death.
- 15. After capturing animals and prior to their release, the licensee must make a reasonable effort to have the roof cavity sealed. This must be done after the licensee has checked there are no remaining animals within the roof cavity.
- 16. The licensee must provide animals in cages with adequate food and water.
- 17. Animals inside a cage must only be moved in a manner that provides:
 - a. adequate ventilation; and
 - b. protection from wind, rain, and temperature extremes.
- 18. Cage traps must only be placed:
 - a. on level surfaces;
 - b. above a height of (insert) in order to be out of reach of cats and dogs; and
 - c. in an area protected from wind, rain, and direct sunlight.
- 19. The licensee must keep a true and accurate record of the capture and release of each individual animal harmed under this licence.
- 20. The licensee must ensure that capture and release records are completed and submitted to the OEH Wildlife Team before the licence expiry date.
- 21. Pouch young and dependant young are not included in the total number of animals that may be harmed under this licence.

Inquiries/applications should be directed to:

Wildlife Team Phone: 02 9585 6406

Office of Environment and Heritage

PO Box 1967 Email: wildlife.licensing@environment.nsw.gov.au HURSTVILLE NSW 1481

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