

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA
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This reprint shows the Regulations as in force at 1 July 1978. Any amendments that may come into operation after that date are not included.

CROWN LANDS (COMMONAGE) REGULATIONS

Regulations under the Crown Lands Act

1. Citation
These regulations may be cited as the Crown Lands (Commonage) Regulations. (See back note 1).
2. Repeal and saving
 - (1) The Crown Lands (Commonage) Regulations made on the 6 April, 1936, are repealed.
 - (2) Notwithstanding the repeal effected by subregulation (1) -
 - (a) any Ranger appointed under the repealed Regulations shall be deemed to have been appointed under these Regulations; and
 - (b) any permission granted under the repealed Regulations shall be deemed to have been granted under these Regulations.
3. Definitions
In these Regulations, unless the contrary intention appears -
 - "animal" does not include a camel, stallion, ram or Jack donkey;
 - "commonage" means any area of Crown Lands reserved for commonage purposes in pursuance of section 103 of the Act;
 - "Ranger" means a person appointed as such in pursuance of these Regulations;
 - "the Ordinance" means the Crown Lands Ordinance 1931-1946;
 - "the repealed Regulations" means the Crown Lands (Commonage) Regulations made on the 6 April, 1936.

4. Ranger

The Minister may appoint a person to be a Ranger in respect of any commonage.

5. Animals permitted to use commonage

(1) The owner of any camel, stallion, ram or Jack donkey shall not permit, suffer or allow that camel, stallion, ram or Jack donkey to be on any commonage.

(2) The owner of any animal shall not permit, suffer or allow any animal to be on any commonage unless permission has been granted in pursuance of regulation 6 for that animal to be depastured on the commonage.

(3) A Ranger may impound any animal, camel, stallion, ram or Jack donkey which is on any commonage in contravention of this regulation.

6. Application for use of commonage

(1) A householder of the town in which any commonage is situated or a butcher or dairyman carrying on business in that town, may make application to the Ranger for permission to depasture animals on that commonage.

(2) A traveller may make application to the Ranger for permission to depasture his horses, mules or donkeys (being animals used for transport purposes only) on any commonage for a period not exceeding one week.

(3) If the application is granted, the Ranger shall allot to the householder, butcher, dairyman or traveller a number.

(4) Each animal (other than cattle owned by a butcher and intended for slaughter) owned by that person, which is on the commonage, shall have suspended from its neck or horns a metal disc bearing the number allotted in pursuance of subregulation (3).

7. Limitation on use of commonage

(1) A householder shall not depasture more than 3 cows or 10 goats and 2 horses, mules or donkeys on any commonage.

(2) A butcher shall not depasture more than 20 cattle, 50 sheep and 4 horses, mules or donkeys on any commonage.

(3) A dairyman shall not depasture more than 20 cows, one bull and 4 horses, mules or donkeys on any commonage.

(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of subregulations (1), (2) and (3) of this regulation, the Minister, or any Ranger authorized in that behalf by the Minister, may grant permission to a householder, butcher or dairyman to depasture a larger number of cattle, sheep or goats than the permitted number where the circumstances of the particular case and the carrying capacity of the particular commonage warrant it.

8. Fees

Subject to regulation 9, the fees specified in the Schedule to these Regulations shall be paid to the Ranger by the owner of any animals which are to be depastured on any commonage.

9. Travellers' animals used for transport

No fee shall be payable by any traveller in respect of the depasturing on the commonage of his horses, mules or donkeys (being animals used for transport purposes only) if, immediately on his arrival, the traveller obtains the permission of the Ranger to use the commonage.

10. Penalties

A person who contravenes, or fails to comply with, any provision of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence punishable, on conviction, by a fine not exceeding \$20.

THE SCHEDULE

SCALE OF FEES

Description of Animal

Fee for each animal

Dairy cows - per annum

Butcher's cattle - per week

Butcher's sheep - per week

Goats kept for milking purposes - per week

Horses, mules and donkeys - per week

\$ ¢

1.00

0.02

0.01

0.01

0.05

Notes

1. The Crown Lands (Commonage) Regulations, in force under the Crown Lands Act, comprises the Regulations 1946, No. 3 and amendments made by other legislation, the details of which are in the following table:

Year and number

Date made

Date notified in the Gazette

Date of commencement

1946, No.3

15 Oct 1946

24 Oct 1946

24 Oct 1946

Ord. No. 87, 1973

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11 Dec 1973

Act No. 54, 1978

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1 July 1978, but See s. 8

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2. Amended by Ord. No. 87, 1973

3. Amended by Ord. No. 87, 1973

4. Amended by Act No. 54, 1978

5. Amended by Ord. No. 87, 1973

6. Amended by Ord. No. 87, 1973

7. Amended by Ord. No. 87, 1973; Act No. 54, 1978

8. Amended by Ord. No. 87, 1973

10. Amended by Ord. No. 87, 1973

Schedule Amended by Ord. No. 87, 1973