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**GENERAL**

**Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994**

**EXEMPTION OF "THE LOST DOGS HOME" FROM THE OPERATION OF SECTION 63A**

**Order In Council**

The Governor in Council, under section 5 of the Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994, exempts "The Lost Dogs Home" from the operation of section 63A of that Act in relation to compliance with the provision under clause 2.3.6 of the Code of Practice for the Management of Dogs and Cats in Shelters and Pounds, which was made and published in Government Gazette G45 on 12 November 1998 (page 2750), which requires that dogs being exercised must be confined within the premises of a shelter or pound, subject to the following conditions –

1. the exemption applies only to dogs participating in the Orygen Youth Health program (the Program) and which have undergone a temperament test to the satisfaction of the manager of "The Lost Dogs Home";
2. the Program must occur in a securely fenced area;
3. dogs must be on leads or in cages whilst being transported to the fenced-off area; and
4. a person experienced in dog behaviour must
   * 1. be in attendance to monitor the welfare of the dogs; and
     2. ensure that a dog is removed from The Program if stress or other behavioural indicators of the dog are observed by that person.

Dated: 1 October 2002

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