Australian Capital Territory

Domestic Animals (Fees) Determination 2021 (No 1)

**Disallowable instrument DI2021-15**

made under the

Domestic Animals Act 2000, Section 144 (Determination of fees)

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Section 144 of the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* (the Act) provides that the Minister may determine fees for the Act. This instrument commences the day after notification and maintains the fees set in DI2020-160 for the 2019-20 financial year.

This determination sets application fees for licences and permits that may be granted under the Act. The determination also deals with the waiver, refund or extension of time to pay fees in certain situation. Section 5 includes a new delegated authority permitting the Registrar to waive fees as part of partnership initiatives with animal centred organisations. Providing waivers to certain organisations will contribute to building productive partnerships as committed to in the Canberra Dog Model and help encourage responsible dog ownership, promote high animal welfare standards, and support best-practice animal management in the Territory.

Schedule 2 of the instrument deals with refunds where the amount of the refund is specified. The Domestic Animals Registrar has the power to determine whether waivers, refunds or extension of time to pay are consistent with the instrument.

***Indexed Fees***

This determination maintains 2019-20 fees as per Budget Memo 2020/07.

***Revocation***

This determination revokes the previous fee determination [DI2020-160] that set fees for the 2019-2020 financial year.

The determination commences on the day after notification.