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Senior Practitioner Act 2018

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About this republication

The republished law

This is a republication of the *Senior Practitioner Regulation 2023*, made under the *Senior Practitioner Act 2018* (including any amendment made under the [Legislation Act 2001](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2001-14), part 11.3 (Editorial changes)) as in force on 22 December 2023. It also includes any commencement, repeal or expiry affecting this republished law.

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Uncommenced provisions and amendments

If a provision of the republished law has not commenced, the symbol **U** appears immediately before the provision heading. Any uncommenced amendments that affect this republished law are accessible on the ACT legislation register ([www.legislation.act.gov.au](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au)). For more information, see the home page for this law on the register.

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Penalties

At the republication date, the value of a penalty unit for an offence against this law is $160 for an individual and $810 for a corporation (see [Legislation Act 2001](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2001-14), s 133).



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1 Name of regulation

This regulation is the *Senior Practitioner Regulation 2023*.

3 Prohibited restrictive practices not to be used—Act, s 10 (b) (ii) (A)

(1) The kinds of restrictive practices that may be used do not include prohibited restrictive practices.

(2) In this section:

***prohibited restrictive practice*** means—

(a) a physical restraint mentioned in schedule 1, part 1.1; or

(b) a restrictive practice mentioned in schedule 1, part 1.2 (a ***punitive approach***).

Schedule 1 Prohibited restrictive practices

(see s 3 (2))

Part 1.1 Physical restraints

| column 1  item | column 2  description of restraint | column 3  short description |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | subdue a person by forcing them into a face-down position | prone restraint |
| 2 | subdue a person by forcing them into a face-up position | supine restraint |
| 3 | subdue a person by holding down their limbs or any part of their body | pin down |
| 4 | subdue a person by wrapping arms around their upper or lower body | basket hold |
| 5 | subdue a person by forcing them to free-fall to the floor or fall to the floor with support | takedown technique |
| 6 | physically restrain a person for the purpose of, or that has the effect of, restraining or inhibiting a person’s respiratory or digestive functioning |  |
| 7 | physically restrain a person for the purpose of, or that has the effect of, pushing the person’s head forward onto their chest |  |
| 8 | physically restrain a person for the purpose of, or that has the effect of, compelling a person’s compliance through the infliction of pain, hyperextension of joints, or by applying pressure to the chest or joints |  |

Part 1.2 Punitive approaches

| column 1  item | column 2  description of approach | column 3  short description |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | use a practice that a person experiences as noxious or unpleasant and potentially painful, for example, give the person an unwanted cold bath, put chilli powder on their food or squirt liquid in their face | aversive practice |
| 2 | require a person to respond disproportionately to an event, beyond that which may be necessary to restore a situation to its original condition, for example, make a person clean the whole dining room floor for spilling a drink | overcorrection |
| 3 | withhold supports or basic needs, for example, deny a person access to toilet paper or period products, withhold food or drink or deprive them of sleep | denial of key needs |
| 4 | degrade or vilify a person |  |
| 5 | limit or deny access to a person’s culture, for example, limit opportunity to participate with a person’s community or access artworks or reading material important for developing or maintaining their cultural heritage |  |
| 6 | punish a person by requiring them to give up a positive item or activity because of their behaviour | response cost |
| 7 | engage in verbal or gestural conduct of a coercive nature to compel someone to do something they do not want to do |  |
| 8 | use a spithood |  |
| 9 | use a restraint chair |  |

Endnotes

1 About the endnotes

Amending and modifying laws are annotated in the legislation history and the amendment history. Current modifications are not included in the republished law but are set out in the endnotes.

Not all editorial amendments made under the [Legislation Act 2001](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2001-14), part 11.3 are annotated in the amendment history. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel’s Office.

Uncommenced amending laws are not included in the republished law. The details of these laws are underlined in the legislation history. Uncommenced expiries are underlined in the legislation history and amendment history.

If all the provisions of the law have been renumbered, a table of renumbered provisions gives details of previous and current numbering.

The endnotes also include a table of earlier republications.

2 Abbreviation key

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| A = Act | NI = Notifiable instrument |
| AF = Approved form | o = order |
| am = amended | om = omitted/repealed |
| amdt = amendment | ord = ordinance |
| AR = Assembly resolution | orig = original |
| ch = chapter | par = paragraph/subparagraph |
| CN = Commencement notice | pres = present |
| def = definition | prev = previous |
| DI = Disallowable instrument | (prev...) = previously |
| dict = dictionary | pt = part |
| disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative | r = rule/subrule |
| Assembly | reloc = relocated |
| div = division | renum = renumbered |
| exp = expires/expired | R[X] = Republication No |
| Gaz = gazette | RI = reissue |
| hdg = heading | s = section/subsection |
| IA = Interpretation Act 1967 | sch = schedule |
| ins = inserted/added | sdiv = subdivision |
| LA = Legislation Act 2001 | SL = Subordinate law |
| LR = legislation register | sub = substituted |
| LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996 | underlining = whole or part not commenced |
| mod = modified/modification | or to be expired |

3 Legislation history

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s 1, s 2 commenced 21 December 2023 (LA s 75 (1))

remainder commenced 22 December 2023 (s 2)

4 Amendment history

Commencement

s 2 om LA s 89 (4)

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