

# **National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2014**

Explanatory notes for SL 2014 No. 119

made under the

*Forestry Act 1959*

*Marine Parks Act 2004*

*Nature Conservation Act 1992*

*Racing Act 2002*

*Recreation Areas Management Act 2006*

## **General Outline**

### **Short title**

National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1)  
2014

### **Authorising law**

Section 97 of the *Forestry Act 1959*

Section 150 of the *Marine Parks Act 2004*

Section 175 of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*

Section 355 of the *Racing Act 2002*

Section 232 of the *Recreation Areas Management Act 2006*

### **Policy objectives and the reasons for them**

The objective of the regulation is to index regulatory fees for the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing for 2014-15. These regulatory fees have been subject to the annual review required under Government policy and then indexed by the approved Government indexation factor, which the Queensland Treasury and Trade has advised to be 3.5% for 2014-15. Exceptions to this are the apiary permit fees and stock grazing permits where Cabinet Budget Review Committee approval has been obtained for other indexation factors to be applied.

A small number of fees have not been adjusted by the indexation factors as the amount of the fee is below a value for the indexation factor to affect an increase, taking into account coinage and rounding factors.

The indexed fees have been rounded in accordance with the department's current rounding policy.

## **Achievement of policy objectives**

This subordinate legislation will achieve its objective by increasing fees and charges under the Acts administered by the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing.

## **Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law**

The amendment regulation is consistent with the objective of the relevant Acts.

## **Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation**

The subordinate legislation is not inconsistent with any policy objectives of any legislation.

## **Benefits and costs of implementation**

The indexation of fees provides a mechanism understood by the community and industry to maintain price relativity, aiding the government in formulating the State and departmental budgets.

There are no additional costs associated with implementing the regulation.

## **Consistency with fundamental legislative principles**

The subordinate legislation is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

## **Consultation**

Consultation has been undertaken with the Office of Best Practice Regulation in determining that the amendment was excluded from the requirement to undertake a Regulatory Impact Statement.