

South Australia

Animal Welfare (Dehorning of Cattle) Variation Regulations 2017

under the *Animal Welfare Act 1985*

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Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Animal Welfare (Dehorning of Cattle) Variation Regulations 2017*.

2—Commencement

These regulations will come into operation on 15 April 2017, immediately after the *Animal Welfare Variation Regulations 2016* come into operation.

3—Variation provisions

In these regulations, a provision under a heading referring to the variation of specified regulations varies the regulations so specified.

Part 2—Variation of *Animal Welfare Regulations 2012*

4—Substitution of regulation 68

Regulation 68—delete regulation 68 and substitute:

68—Dehorning and disbudding of cattle

- (1) Subject to subregulation (2), a person who has the care, control and management of cattle must ensure that dehorning is not carried out on an animal 6 months of age or older unless the animal is given a suitable analgesic or is anaesthetised.
Maximum penalty: \$2 500.
Expiation fee: \$210.
- (2) If the first yarding of an animal does not occur before the animal is 6 months of age, dehorning may be carried out on that animal without it being given a suitable analgesic or anaesthetic despite the fact that it is 6 months of age or older provided that—
 - (a) dehorning is carried out at the first yarding of the animal; and
 - (b) the animal is less than 12 months of age.
- (3) A person who has the care, control and management of cattle must ensure that disbudding is not carried out on cattle by the use of caustic chemicals unless—
 - (a) the animal is a calf that is less than 14 days of age; and
 - (b) the skin on the head of the calf is dry immediately before the commencement of the procedure and the skin is kept dry for at least 12 hours immediately after the procedure; and
 - (c) the calf is segregated from its mother for at least 4 hours immediately after the procedure.

Maximum penalty: \$2 500.

Expiation fee: \$210.

Note—

As required by section 10AA(2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1978*, the Minister has certified that, in the Minister's opinion, it is necessary or appropriate that these regulations come into operation as set out in these regulations.

Made by the Governor

with the advice and consent of the Executive Council
on 28 March 2017

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