



Department of Agriculture and Fisheries

Biosecurity Act 2014

Scientific Research (restricted matter)

Permit No. PRID000664

Under Section 208 of the Biosecurity Act 2014, permission is granted to the Permit Holder to deal with the Restricted Matter for the Purpose and subject to the Conditions (if any) set out below:

Permit holder: The University of Queensland

Term:

This permit has effect from Monday, 1 June 2020 and expires (unless earlier renewed, cancelled or suspended) on Tuesday, 31 May 2022

Location(s):

13 Robertson Street, Fig Tree pocket Queensland 4069

Purpose:

This permit authorises the holder and other persons operating under this permit to deal with cats (other than domestic cats) within the area of the City of Ipswich for the purpose of scientific research. This permit authorises the supply, feeding, movement and release of cats (other than domestic cats) as per the attached permit plan, conditions listed in Schedule 2 and the Standard Operating Procedures.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dr John Robertson".

Dr John Robertson

General Manager

Invasive Plants and Animals

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries

28 May 2020

Schedule 1: Species Schedule

Restricted Matter

Species Schedule - Permit

| Species common name | Species scientific name | Maximum species allowed | Approved for breeding |
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| cat (other than domestic cat) | Felis catus | 4000 individual cats | No |
| Enclosures <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cat trapping and release sites - Goodna Multiple sites in the locality of Redbank Plains within the City of Ipswich local government area. Cat trapping and release sites - Redbank Plains Multiple sites in the locality of Redbank Plains within the City of Ipswich local government area. Cat trapping and release sites - Rosewood Multiple sites in the locality of Rosewood with the City of Ipswich local government area Participating Greencross Veterinary surgeries Participating Greencross Veterinary surgeries within the area of the City of Ipswich only. Rosewood Veterinary Service | | | |

Schedule 2: Conditions Schedule

Standard Conditions

1. Pursuant to section 120(1)(a) of the Biosecurity Regulation 2016, the holder of the permit must maintain adequate public liability insurance (with a minimum cover of ten million dollars or another amount approved in a condition of this permit) to cover damage resulting from the keeping, escape or release of the permit matter.
2. Pursuant to section 120(1)(b) of the Biosecurity Regulation 2016, the holder of the permit or person operating under the permit must keep the prohibited or restricted matter the subject of the permit (the permit matter) in a way that allows an authorised officer to inspect the permit matter while it is in the possession or under the control of the permit holder or a person operating under the permit.
3. Pursuant to section 120(1)(c) of the Biosecurity Regulation 2016, the holder of the permit or a person who may operate under the permit must not breed the permit matter.
4. Pursuant to section 120(1)(e) of the Biosecurity Regulation 2016, the holder of the permit must keep a written record of:
 - (i) the date on which the holder takes possession of the permit matter; and
 - (ii) the amount of permit matter received by the holder; and
 - (iii) details of any change to the amount of permit matter possessed by the holder; and
 - (iv) if the permit matter includes an animal - the sex of the animal if applicable; and
 - (v) if the permit matter has an individual identifier - the number of the individual identifier; and
 - (vi) if the permit matter is moved from the premises where the dealings under the permit are being undertaken – details of the movement, including the place that the permit matter is moved to; and
 - (vii) details of any theft, escape or accidental release of the permit matter including the action taken as a result of the theft, escape or release; and
 - (viii) the date on which permit matter is destroyed or disposed of.
5. Pursuant to section 120(1)(f) of the Biosecurity Regulation 2016, the holder of the permit must:
 - (i) have a plan stating the ways the holder will minimise the biosecurity risks likely to arise from the theft, escape or accidental release of the permit matter; and
 - (ii) update the plan, as necessary, to best minimise the biosecurity risks likely to arise from the theft, escape or accidental release of the permit matter; and
 - (iii) implement the plan if the permit matter is stolen or escapes.
6. Pursuant to section 120(1)(g) of the Biosecurity Regulation 2016, the holder of the permit must prepare a written report for the matters mentioned in section 120(1)(e) of the Biosecurity Regulation 2016.
7. Pursuant to section 120(1)(h) of the Biosecurity Regulation 2016, the holder of the permit must give the written report to the chief executive at each of 12 months, 24 months and 36 months from the date of issue of the permit, or at any other time stated in a condition of this permit.
8. Pursuant to section 224(1) of the Biosecurity Act 2014, the holder of the permit or a person who may operate under the permit must allow an authorised officer to enter premises where the dealings under the permit are being undertaken to monitor:
 - (a) the dealings; and
 - (b) the holder's compliance with the permit and the Biosecurity Act 2014 in relation to the dealings.
9. The holder of the permit or a person who may operate under the permit must produce or make available for inspection this permit at a reasonable time and place nominated by an authorised officer.
10. The holder of the permit must abide by the permit plan given to the chief executive with the permit application unless the permit plan is inconsistent with the permit conditions, in which case the permit conditions prevail.

Non-standard conditions.

Location

11. The permit holder and other persons who may operate under this permit are authorised to deal with the permit matter listed in Schedule 1 while undertaking activities associated with the permit plan within the area of the City of Ipswich.

Relationship to other legislation

12. This permit does not authorise activities or omissions contrary to the provisions of the Animal Care and Protection Act 2001 or the Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008.

13. This permit does not authorise the permit holder or a person operating under the permit to interfere with the property rights of the owners of owned cats.

14. The permit holder, or a person operating under the permit, must keep and care for the biosecurity matter in their possession or under their control in a manner that satisfies the provisions of the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001* and any state and national codes of practice for the keeping, transport and care of the biosecurity matter.

Persons who may operate under this permit

15. This permit authorises the permit holder, staff, contractors and students under the direct supervision of the permit holder, and classes of persons described in a condition of this permit to operate under this permit.

16. The following classes of persons may operate under this permit:

- a. Veterinarians and staff of:
 - i. Greencross Veterinary practices located within the City of Ipswich; and
 - ii. Rosewood Veterinary Service;
- b. Registered volunteers
 - i. only after being entered on the register, and
 - ii. while undertaking activities within the City of Ipswich area.

17. The permit holder must give a copy of this permit, the endorsed permit plan and the document entitled "Community Cat Program Standard Operating Procedures, Protocols & Guidelines" (as revised according to conditions of this permit) to each person operating or proposing to operate under this permit.

Register of persons operating under this permit

18. The permit holder must keep a register of all persons operating under this permit.

a. The register must include

- i. the person's full name
- ii. the person's contact details (address, mobile and email) and
- iii. the date the person's name was entered upon the register.

19. The permit holder must supply the register of all persons operating under this permit to the Chief Executive upon request.

20. The permit holder must make the register of all persons operating under this permit available for inspection at a reasonable time and place nominated by an authorised officer.

21. The permit holder must obtain and keep a written acknowledgement from each person operating under this permit that the person's name and contact details may be supplied to the Chief Executive as a condition of operating under this permit.

Standard Operating Procedures, Protocols & Guidelines

22. The permit holder or another person operating under this permit, must, to the extent allowed by Queensland legislation and the permit conditions, follow the standard operating procedures, protocols and guidelines stated in the document entitled "Community Cat Program Standard Operating Procedures, Protocols & Guidelines" as submitted to the Chief Executive and revised from time to time as required by a condition of this permit. In the event that a standard operating procedure, protocol and guideline is inconsistent with the permit conditions or another Queensland legislated requirement, the other Queensland legislated requirement or permit condition prevails in that order.

Revision of the document entitled "Community Cat Program Standard Operating Procedures, Protocols & Guidelines" (the SOP)

23. The document entitled "Community Cat Program Standard Operating Procedures, Protocols & Guidelines Version 30th March 2020" (the SOP) provided to the Chief Executive must be revised by the permit holder to the satisfaction of the Queensland Chief Veterinary Officer (or delegate) to be consistent with the provisions of the Animal Care and Protection Act 2001 and the Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008.

24. The sections of the SOP notated as "TO BE DEVELOPED" must be completed by the permit holder before the commencement of any activities by persons operating under the permit.

25. The revised document "Community Cat Program Standard Operating Procedures, Protocols & Guidelines" with a new version identifier must be provided by the permit holder to the Chief Executive within 3 months of the commencement of the permit.

26. Any further revisions of the SOP completed by the permit holder during the term of the permit must be provided to the Chief Executive.

Identification of biosecurity matter, devices and material used under this permit

27. The permit holder must identify all biosecurity matter released into the environment under this permit by a tag, collar or other device (e.g. micro-chip).

28. For the purpose of providing evidence that released neutered cats remain in the area at which they are released, the permit holder must monitor the daily movements of the agreed number of cats released back into the environment. The agreed number of cats at the commencement of this permit is 10 cats at each of the three nominated trap and release areas of Rosewood, Redbank Plains and Goodna.

The agreed number of cats is subject to review based on the total number of cats trapped and released at each of the nominated trap and release areas.

Each of the agreed number of cats must be monitored for at least one month after its release.

The monitored cats must be tracked using one or more of the following methods, as operationally convenient for the permit holder to consider the welfare of the released cats:

- a. by attachment of a device to the released cat that records the location of the cat at least once a day or more frequently, or
- b. by visual observation of the released cats by a person operating under the permit on an ongoing daily basis, or
- c. by photographic records from motion sensitive cameras; or
- d. by another method that will provide daily location data of the released cat.

For this condition, if a monitored cat dies, becomes untraceable, or is "lost" within one month after its release, another cat must be monitored in the same area for one month. The other cat must not be a released cat that has been previously been monitored under this condition.

The permit holder must make a record of the location of each monitored cat daily.

The permit holder must include the daily recorded locations of each monitored cat in the permit holder's report to the chief executive in condition 6, above.

29. The permit holder must display the Permit Number of this permit:

- a. on all traps, cages or devices used to trap or hold the permit matter;
- b. at the entrance to a premises that contains the biosecurity matter dealt with under this permit;
- c. on all advertising or educational matter (electronic, webpages or print) that refers to the biosecurity matter dealt with under this permit; and
- d. on all tracking collars, by engraving it on the tracking collar.

30. The permit holder and persons operating under this permit must obtain the written permission of the Chief Executive or delegate before using or displaying any biosecurity matter dealt with under this permit as a promotional novelty to promote or advertise the sale of pets, pet products or other services, or related goods or services, including seeking donations for a charity or research funding.

Fee Waiver Reporting

31. Pursuant to section 214(6)(c) of the Biosecurity Act 2014, the permit holder must provide the Chief Executive with a yearly progress report of the dealings. The yearly report is to be provided at 14, 26 and 36 months after the commencement of the permit.

Use of Department of Agriculture and Fisheries logo

32. The permit holder or other person operating under this permit must not state or otherwise imply that by the granting of this permit, that the Queensland Government and/or the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries endorses this research project or views of the permit holder or products or services of other persons operating under this permit.

33. The permit holder or persons operating under this permit must not use the logo of the Queensland Government or Department of Agriculture and Fisheries without the written permission.

Amendments

34. Pursuant to section 479 of the Biosecurity Act 2016, the permit holder may apply to the chief executive for an amendment of these conditions.

