

14. Further offences (s. 94) - Tail docking

- (1) In this regulation, a reference to “**tail docking**” means the amputation of one or more coccygeal vertebrae, leaving at least the first coccygeal vertebrae intact (unless the health of the animal will be adversely affected by the retention of that first vertebrae, in which case it includes the removal of that vertebrae).
- (2) A person who is not a registered veterinary surgeon shall not carry out tail docking of a dog.
Penalty: \$2 000.
- (3) A registered veterinary surgeon shall not carry out tail docking of a dog unless he or she believes that there are sufficient reasons for the tail docking to proceed for therapeutic or prophylactic purposes.
Penalty: \$2 000.