

Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004

Dangerous Goods Safety (General) Regulations 2007

Reprint 1: The regulations as at 7 April 2017

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Dangerous Goods Safety (General) Regulations 2007

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Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004

Dangerous Goods Safety (General) Regulations 2007

Part 1 — Preliminary matters

1. Citation

These regulations are the *Dangerous Goods Safety (General)* Regulations 2007 ¹.

2. Commencement

These regulations come into operation as follows:

- (a) regulations 1 and 2 on the day on which these regulations are published in the *Gazette*;
- (b) the rest of the regulations on the day on which Part 3 of the Act comes into operation ¹.

3. Terms used

In these regulations, unless the contrary intention appears — *Act* means the *Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004*;

ADG Code means the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (also called the Australian Dangerous Goods Code) published by the National Transport Commission, Edition 7.4 (ISBN 978-1-921604-69-0), as in

effect on 1 January 2016, including (for the avoidance of doubt) its appendices;

combustible liquid has the meaning given in the Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007 regulation 4;

flashpoint of a liquid, means the temperature at which the liquid first evolves vapour in a sufficient quantity to be ignited when tested in accordance with —

- (a) AS 2106 Methods for the determination of the flash point of flammable liquids (closed cup) (series) published by Standards Australia; or
- (b) a technical standard that specifies a test that is equivalent to that specified in AS 2106;

Form, if followed by a number, means the form of that number in Schedule 2;

section means a section of the Act:

UNTC means the *Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Manual of Tests and Criteria*, Sixth revised edition, published by the United Nations (ISBN 978-92-1-139155-8).

[Regulation 3 amended in Gazette 22 Jun 2010 p. 2781; 5 Feb 2016 p. 355; 3 Mar 2017 p. 1475.]

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Part 2 — Matters for the Act Parts 1 and 2

- 4. "Dangerous goods" prescribed (Act s. 3(1)(a))
 - (1) In this regulation —

Dangerous Goods List means the Dangerous Goods List in the ADG Code Chapter 3.2 as read with the other provisions in the ADG Code Part 3.

- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (a) of the definition of "dangerous goods" in section 3(1), a substance or article is dangerous goods if
 - under the ADG Code, it is within any of these classes or divisions of dangerous goods —
 - Class 1 (explosives); (i)
 - (ii) Class 2 (gases);
 - Class 3 (flammable liquids); (iii)
 - Class 4 (flammable solids; substances liable to (iv) spontaneous combustion; substances which, on contact with water emit flammable gases);
 - Class 5 (oxidizing substances and organic (v) peroxides);
 - Division 6.1 (toxic substances); (vi)
 - Class 8 (corrosive substances); (vii)
 - (viii) Class 9 (miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles);

or

it is named or described in Schedule 1. (b)

- (3) Without limiting the generality of subregulation (2)(a), a substance or article is dangerous goods for the purposes of paragraph (a) of the definition of "dangerous goods" in section 3(1) if
 - (a) it is named in column 2 of the Dangerous Goods List, irrespective of whether the name is
 - (i) a generic name; or
 - (ii) a name described as "N.O.S";

or

- (b) it satisfies
 - (i) the criteria set out or referred to in the ADG Code Part 2; or
 - (ii) the tests and criteria in the UNTC,

for determining if goods are dangerous goods; or

- (c) it
 - (i) is named or described in the ADG Code Appendix A; or
 - (ii) satisfies the tests and criteria in the UNTC for determining if goods are too dangerous to transport.
- (4) Despite subregulation (3), a substance or article is not dangerous goods for the purposes of paragraph (a) of the definition of "dangerous goods" in section 3(1) if under the ADG Code, it is within any of these classes or divisions of dangerous goods—
 - (a) Division 6.2 (infectious substances);
 - (b) Class 7 (radioactive material).
- (5) Despite subregulations (2)(a) and (3), a substance or article is not dangerous goods for the purposes of paragraph (a) of the definition of "dangerous goods" in section 3(1) if it is not subject to the ADG Code because of a special provision in the ADG Code Chapter 3.3 that applies to it by virtue of column 6 of the Dangerous Goods List.

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5. "Dangerous goods", how Chief Officer determines (Act s. 3(1)(b))

- (1) For the purposes of paragraph (b) of the definition of "dangerous goods" section 3(1), a determination by the Chief Officer that a substance or article is dangerous goods must
 - (a) be in writing; and
 - (b) be published in the *Gazette*.
- (2) The Chief Officer must keep, and make available for public inspection, a register of determinations made under subregulation (1).

6. Goods too dangerous to transport (Act s. 16)

- (1) For the purposes of section 16, goods are too dangerous to transport if they are dangerous goods and
 - (a) are named or described in the ADG Code Appendix A; or
 - (b) satisfy the tests and criteria in the UNTC for determining if goods are too dangerous to transport,

unless, under this regulation, the Chief Officer has determined they are not too dangerous to transport.

- (2) For the purposes of section 16, goods are too dangerous to transport if they are dangerous goods and, under this regulation, the Chief Officer has determined they are too dangerous to transport and has not cancelled the determination.
- (3) The Chief Officer may determine that particular dangerous goods are or are not too dangerous to transport.
- (4) A determination made by the Chief Officer under this regulation may specify the circumstances under which particular dangerous goods are or are not too dangerous to transport.
- (5) The Chief Officer may amend or cancel a determination made under this regulation.

- (6) A determination made under this regulation must
 - (a) be in writing; and
 - (b) be published in the *Gazette*.
- (7) The Chief Officer must keep, and make available for public inspection, a register of determinations made under this regulation.

[Regulation 6 amended in Gazette 22 Jun 2010 p. 2781.]

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Part 3 — Matters for the Act Part 4

7. Applying for exemption

An application for an exemption under the Act Part 4 must —

- (a) be made in writing; and
- (b) state the applicant's name and address; and
- (c) state such of the following as are relevant to the application
 - (i) the place, vehicle or thing, or the class of places, vehicles or things, to which the exemption would apply;
 - (ii) the activity relating to the storage, handling or transport of dangerous goods, or the class of such activities, to which the exemption would apply;
 - (iii) the person, or the class of person, to which the exemption would apply;

and

- (d) state name and description and class of the dangerous goods to which the exemption would apply; and
- (e) state the regulations and the provision of them to which the exemption would apply; and
- (f) state the period for which the exemption is wanted; and
- (g) state the grounds for the application; and
- (h) whether or not the application is for an exemption to be granted under section 22, include information relevant to deciding the matters referred to in section 22(2); and
- (i) be signed and dated by the applicant; and
- (j) be given to the Chief Officer, even if the application is for an exemption to be granted under section 21.

8. Dealing with application for exemption

On an application made under regulation 7, the Chief Officer may request the applicant to supply any other information that the Chief Officer believes is reasonably necessary to enable the Minister or the Chief Officer, as the case requires, to decide whether to grant an exemption or not.

9. Register of exemptions

- (1) In this regulation
 - *register* means the register referred to in section 23(8).
- (2) The register must include the following information in respect of each exemption granted under the Act Part 4
 - (a) who applied for it;
 - (b) whichever of the following is relevant
 - (i) the place, vehicle or thing, or the class of places, vehicles or things, to which it applies;
 - (ii) the activity relating to the storage, handling or transport of dangerous goods, or the class of such activities, to which it applies;
 - (iii) the person, or the class of person, to which it applies;
 - (c) the name and description and class of the dangerous goods to which it applies;
 - (d) the regulations and the provision of them to which it applies;
 - (e) if it was published in the *Gazette*, the date on which it was published and the page of the *Gazette*;
 - (f) the date on which it came into operation;
 - (g) the period for which it is granted;
 - (h) details of any amendment made to the exemption and the date it was made;
 - (i) if the exemption is cancelled, the date it is cancelled.

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Part 4 — Matters for the Act Part 5

10. Identity cards, prescribed details (Act s. 28)

For the purposes of section 28, the following details are prescribed for any identification card issued to a DGO —

- (a) the short title of the Act;
- (b) the name of the department of the Public Service that principally assists in the administration of the Act;
- (c) the full name of the DGO;
- (d) the signature of the DGO;
- (e) a colour photograph of the DGO;
- (f) the date on which the card is issued;
- (g) the date on which the card expires;
- (h) the signature of the Chief Officer.

Part 5 — Infringement notices

11. Prescribed offences (Act s. 56)

For the purposes of section 56, the prescribed offences are those offences prescribed for the purposes of that section by other regulations made under the Act.

12. Infringement notice, form of (Act s. 56)

For the purposes of section 56(3), the prescribed form of an infringement notice is Form 1.

13. Withdrawal of infringement notice, form of (Act s. 56)

For the purposes of section 56(7), the prescribed form of a withdrawal of an infringement notice is Form 2.

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Part 6 — Miscellaneous matters

[Heading inserted in Gazette 16 Mar 2012 p. 1257.]

14. Fees, Chief Officer may reduce etc.

If, in the circumstances of a particular case in which a fee is payable under the Act, the Chief Officer thinks it is fair or reasonable to do so, he or she may reduce, or refund or waive all or part of, the fee.

[Regulation 14 inserted in Gazette 16 Mar 2012 p. 1257.]

15. Licences, Chief Officer may synchronise duration of and date for payment of annual fees for

(1) In this regulation —

licence means —

- (a) any of these licences granted under the *Dangerous*Goods Safety (Explosives) Regulations 2007—
 - (i) an explosives import/export licence;
 - (ii) an explosives manufacture licence;
 - (iii) an explosives manufacture (MPU) licence;
 - (iv) an explosives storage licence;
 - (v) an explosives transport licence;
 - (vi) an explosives supply licence;
- (b) any of these licences granted under the *Dangerous Goods Safety (Security Sensitive Ammonium Nitrate) Regulations* 2007—
 - (i) an SSAN import/export licence;
 - (ii) an SSAN manufacture licence;
 - (iii) an SSAN storage licence;
 - (iv) an SSAN transport licence;
 - (v) an SSAN supply licence;

- (vi) an SSAN fertiliser licence;
- (c) a licence granted under the *Dangerous Goods Safety*(Storage and Handling of Non-explosives)
 Regulations 2007 Part 4;
- (d) a registration for a dangerous goods pipeline granted under the *Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007* Part 5.
- (2) This regulation operates despite the following
 - (a) the *Dangerous Goods Safety (Explosives) Regulations 2007* regulation 167;
 - (b) the *Dangerous Goods Safety (Security Sensitive Ammonium Nitrate) Regulations 2007* regulation 35;
 - (c) the Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007 regulations 34 and 97.
- (3) If a person holds 2 or more licences, the Chief Officer, with the person's consent
 - (a) may reduce the duration of one or more of them in order that all of them will, due to the passage of time, expire simultaneously; and
 - (b) may set for all or some of the licences one date in each year as the date on which any fee payable each year for each licence is due (the *due date*).
- (4) If under subregulation (3)(a) the Chief Officer decides to reduce the duration of a licence
 - (a) he or she must cancel the licence and issue a replacement in identical terms that specifies the date on which the licence will expire; and
 - (b) the reduction takes effect on the day on which the replacement licence is issued.

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- (5) If under subregulation (3)(b) the Chief Officer decides to set a due date, he or she must give the holder of the licences written notice of
 - (a) the due date; and
 - (b) each licence to which the due date applies; and
 - (c) each fee to which the due date applies.

[Regulation 15 inserted in Gazette 16 Mar 2012 p. 1258-9; amended in Gazette 5 Feb 2016 p. 355-6.]

Schedule 1 — Specific dangerous goods

[r. 4(2)(b)]

Name or description of substance or article Any substance that contains more than 45% ammonium nitrate. Sulphur in any form, despite special provision 242 in the ADG Code Chapter 3.3 and despite regulation 4(5). Any combustible liquid.

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Schedule 2 — Forms

[r. 3]

1.	Infringement	notice ((r. 12	2)

Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004 s. 56				Infringement notice		
Dangerous Goods Safety (General) Regulations 2007				Numb	er:	
Alleged	Family name					
offender	Given names					
(individual)	Address					
	Date of birth				Male/F	emale
	Driver's licence	No.: State/Country:				
		Type:	Class(es	s):	Expiry	date:
Alleged	Name					
offender	ACN				ABN	
(body corporate)	Address					
Description	Date				Time	
of alleged offence	Place					
onence	Details ¹					
	Regulation contravened ²					
Modified nenalty	The modified penalty for the alleged offence is \$					

Form 1

Vehicle	Plate No.		State	
details ³	Licence		Vin/Chassis	
	expiry date		No.	
	Make		Colour	
	Body type			
Officer	Name			
issuing notice	Office			
	Signature			
Date of issue				
Notice to It is alleged that you have committed the above offen				
alleged offender	If you want the alleged offence dealt with in court, tick the box below, post this notice to the address below, and do not pay the modified penalty above.			
	If you do not wish to be prosecuted for the alleged offence in court, pay the modified penalty above within 28 days after the date on which you receive this notice. See below for how and where to pay the modified penalty.			
	If you want an extension of time to pay the modified penalty, contact the Chief Dangerous Goods Officer at the address below.			
	• 0	Paying the modified penalty will not be taken to be an admission for the purposes of any civil or criminal court case.		
If you do not pay the modified per in court for the alleged offence and liable to a penalty and costs.				

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Alleged offender's response [Tick one box]	To — Resources Safety Department of Mines and Petroleum Mineral House 100 Plain Street East Perth WA 6004			
How to pay the modified penalty	 ☐ I want this alleged offence dealt with by a court. ☐ I want to pay the modified penalty in person. ☐ I want to pay the modified penalty by post. ☐ I want to pay the modified penalty online. ☐ I want to pay the modified penalty by telephone. ☐ In person [Details for paying in person]			
	By post Online	Post this notice, with a cheque or money order made payable to [payee], to: [Address] Do not send cash in the mail. [Details for online payments]		
	By telephone	[Details for telephone payments]		

Notes to Form 1 —

- 1. The details should say what the alleged offender has done that is a contravention of the law.
- 2. Include here the name of the regulations and the number of the regulation contravened.
- 3. Include vehicle details if alleged offence relates to a vehicle or to a person driving a vehicle.

[Form 1 inserted in Gazette 5 Feb 2016 p. 356-9.]

2. Withdrawal of infringement notice (r. 13)

Dangerous Goo Dangerous Goo Regulations 20	ods Safety (Gen		hdrawa ingeme	l of nt notice
Alleged offender	Family name Given names Address			
Infringement notice	Number Date issued			
Description of alleged offence	Date Place Details		Time	
	Regulation contravened			
Date of this notice				
Officer issuing this notice	Name Office Signature			

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Form 2

Notice to alleged offender	The above infringement notice, which was issued for the above alleged offence, has been withdrawn.
	If you have already paid the modified penalty in accordance with the infringement notice, you are entitled to a refund of the money.
	To obtain a refund post this notice to —
	Resources Safety
	Department of Mines and Petroleum
	Mineral House
	100 Plain Street
	East Perth WA 6004

[Form 2 amended in Gazette 22 Jun 2010 p. 2782.]

Notes

This reprint is a compilation as at 7 April 2017 of the *Dangerous Goods Safety* (General) Regulations 2007 and includes the amendments made by the other written laws referred to in the following table. The table also contains information about any reprint.

Compilation table

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Dangerous Goods Safety (General) Regulations 2007	31 Dec 2007 p. 7143-60	r. 1 and 2: 31 Dec 2007 (see r. 2(a)); Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 1 Mar 2008 (see r. 2(b) and Gazette 29 Feb 2008 p. 669)
Dangerous Goods Safety (General) Amendment Regulations 2010	22 Jun 2010 p. 2780-2	r. 1 and 2: 22 Jun 2010 (see r. 2(a)); Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 23 Jun 2010 (see r. 2(b))
Dangerous Goods Safety (General) Amendment Regulations 2012	16 Mar 2012 p. 1257-9	r. 1 and 2: 16 Mar 2012 (see r. 2(a)); Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 1 Apr 2012 (see r. 2(b))
Dangerous Goods Safety Regulations Amendment Regulations 2016 Pt. 3	5 Feb 2016 p. 343-68	6 Feb 2016 (see r. 2(b))
Dangerous Goods Safety Regulations Amendment Regulations 2017 Pt. 3	3 Mar 2017 p. 1474-82	4 Mar 2017 (see r. 2(b))

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Defined terms

[This is a list of terms defined and the provisions where they are defined.

The list is not part of the law.]

Defined term	Provision(s)
Act	3
ADG Code	3
combustible liquid	3
Dangerous Goods List	4(1)
due date	
flashpoint	3
Form	3
licence	15(1)
register	9(1)
section	3
UNTC	3