

# Declared animal policy

## Goat, *Capra hircus*

<b>This policy applies to</b>	All owners of goats on Kangaroo Island
<b>Policy</b>	The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board ('the Board') requires all owners of goats on Kangaroo Island to have a permit under <b>Section 197</b> of the <i>Landscape South Australia Act 2019</i> ('the Act') for the possession or movement of goats onto or within Kangaroo Island.
<b>Definitions</b>	<b>Goat</b> ( <i>Capra hircus</i> ) - any breed of goat.
<b>Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To protect the environment and primary producers from damage caused by escaped and feral goats</li> <li>To maintain and protect the feral goat-free status of Kangaroo Island</li> <li>To ensure all owners of goats on Kangaroo Island are aware of their ownership responsibilities</li> <li>To ensure that all goats are properly confined and do not escape.</li> </ul>
<b>Legislation</b>	<p>Under <b>Section 185</b> of the Act, goats have been declared as Category 3 animals (class 22) on Kangaroo Island, with the following sections of the Act applying:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>186 (1,3)</b> movement of goats within and onto Kangaroo Island prohibited</li> <li><b>187 (2)</b> possession on Kangaroo Island prohibited</li> <li><b>188</b> sale on Kangaroo Island prohibited</li> <li><b>189</b> release on Kangaroo Island prohibited</li> <li><b>190</b> landowner must notify the Board of presence</li> <li><b>191 (1)</b> goat owner on Kangaroo Island must comply with instructions of an authorised officer</li> <li><b>192 (2)</b> owner must control goats.</li> </ul> <p><b>Section 197</b> of the Act enables the Board to issue permits to allow for the movement, possession and sale of goats subject to conditions set by the Board.</p>
<b>Goat permit conditions</b>	<p>Goats cannot be moved, possessed, brought to or sold on Kangaroo Island, unless an application for a permit has been approved and issued by the Board under <b>Section 197</b> of the Act.</p> <p>Before a permit can be granted, the applicant must satisfy the Board that certain conditions can be met. These conditions are considered necessary to further the objects of the Act and to comply with the objectives and principles for biosecurity measures in the <i>Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan 2021-2026</i> and the objectives of the <i>Biosecurity Strategy for Kangaroo Island 2017-2027</i>.</p> <p><b>Minimum permit requirements</b></p> <p>For a permit to be issued, all of the following conditions must be met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>all goat owners must have a current Property Identification Code (PIC) registration that includes goats,</li> <li>all goats must wear an identification tag,</li> </ul>

- all goats must be securely confined within an appropriately fenced enclosure,
- the goat owner must not have a history of negligently breaching permit conditions with respect to any previous or current declared animal permit issued by the Board, and
- an on-site property risk assessment undertaken by an Authorised Officer must deem the property, where the goats are to be kept, to be at low or moderate risk of escape.

These are minimum permit requirements. Under **Section 197(3)** of the Act, the Board may impose additional conditions or vary the general conditions depending on circumstances.

A decision to issue or refuse a permit can be made if conditions are not met and the risk of goats escaping and becoming feral is too high.

Under **Section 197(10)** of the Act, the Board may vary or revoke a permit, or vary or revoke a condition of the permit, or impose additional conditions. Permit holders will be notified of any such variations in writing.

### **Identification of goats**

A PIC is required under the *Livestock Act 1997* for all South Australian properties where one or more goats are kept. The same PIC can be used for all livestock species on a property, but goats must be listed on the PIC.

To ensure that all domestic goats are readily identifiable as owned goats (as distinct from feral goats), all domestic goats on Kangaroo Island must wear an identification tag.

### **Property risk assessment**

An on-site property risk assessment must be undertaken by an Authorised Officer, scoring a range of variables (but not limited to):

- the nature of the enterprise
- the number of goats
- the location of the property where the goats are kept
- the likelihood of goat escape and detection
- the consequence of goats escaping.

The combination of scores will determine whether the risk rating for each property is deemed low, moderate or high:

- Low = a permit may be issued for up to 3 years
- Moderate = a permit may be issued for up to 12 months
- High = no permit will be issued.

### **Movement**

- Any new owner of goat/s must apply to the board for a permit, and that permit must be granted before bringing a goat/s to Kangaroo Island, or taking possession of a goat/s already on Kangaroo Island
- A permit holder must notify the Board before purchasing or taking possession of a new goat/s. This applies to all goats purchased and brought onto Kangaroo Island, as well as goats purchased within Kangaroo Island
- A permit holder must notify the Board of a change in ownership of any goat/s within Kangaroo Island before they transfer goat/s to the new owner. Physical transfer of animals within Kangaroo Island must not occur until approved in writing by the Board

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All movement of goat's between properties with different PIC registrations must have a National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) device and be accompanied by either a National Vendor Declaration (NVD) or Sheep &amp; Goat Waybill</li> <li>• Goats must be transported in secure carrying boxes/crates with adequate ventilation</li> <li>• The permit holder must notify the Board within 24 hours of any escape of a goat/s or damage to enclosure/containment fences</li> <li>• The permit holder must retain a National Vendor Declaration as evidence of the sale and removal of a goat/s from a permit holder's possession. Such evidence must be retained until an Authorised Officer has inspected the permit holder's record book</li> <li>• Where a goat is killed or dies on Kangaroo Island, the permit holder must retain a digital image, containing the date, as evidence of the goat's death. Such images must be retained until an Authorised Officer has inspected the permit holder's record book</li> <li>• The permit owner must notify the Board of a change of address or contact details within 5 working days.</li> </ul> <p><b>Record keeping</b></p> <p>Owners must keep a permanent record, in a fixed paged book, detailing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PIC number</li> <li>• Permit number</li> <li>• Identification numbers on tags or other identification devices</li> <li>• Date each goat is acquired or disposed (includes deaths, births, sales and theft)</li> <li>• Method acquired or disposed (includes deaths, births, sales, and theft).</li> <li>• Supplier/purchaser details (permit number, name, address)</li> <li>• Stock on hand</li> <li>• Remarks.</li> </ul> <p>Permit holders must submit a copy of the record book, for the previous permit period, before a permit may be renewed. The records must be available for inspection at any reasonable time by officers authorised under the Act, if requested.</p> <p><b>Permit duration and renewal</b></p> <p>Each permit is up to 3 years duration and, where possible, will have an end date of 30 June. Properties and record books will be re-inspected prior to any permit renewal being granted. Permits will be re-issued provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all permit conditions have been met</li> <li>• any issues raised during inspections have been addressed</li> <li>• an up to date record book has been sighted recording current stock, supporting evidence of goat movements and other details, as indicated under <i>Record keeping</i></li> <li>• the permit holder meets the minimum permit requirements.</li> </ul>
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<b>Compliance</b>	<p>Where a goat is detected outside of a permit holder's goat enclosure and is not clearly identifiable as an owned goat, an Authorised Officer will attempt to locate and contact the goat's owner to return the goat/s to a secure enclosure within 24 hours. Where the owner cannot be determined or contacted within 24 hours, the Authorised Officer will take action to destroy the goat. Where repeated goat escapes occur, the Board will cancel the goat owner's permit.</p> <p>At any reasonable time, premises may be inspected where goat/s occur, or are suspected to occur, to ensure compliance with the policy and permit conditions.</p> <p>A request to inspect record keeping procedures of the owner of a goat/s with a permit can be made at any reasonable time.</p> <p>The Board may serve a notice or order on the owner of land or the owner of goats requiring action to be taken to ensure compliance with the Act.</p> <p><b>Offences</b> Under <b>Section 197(11)</b> of the Act, a person who contravenes or fails to comply with a condition of the permit is guilty of an offence. A maximum penalty of \$60,000, or an expiation fee of \$800 may be imposed.</p>
<b>Statutory fees</b>	The fee for applying for a Declared Animal Permit will be in accordance with <i>Landscape Act (General) Regulations 2020</i> which are revised regularly.
<b>Responsibilities</b>	The Board, or delegate of the Board, will issue a permit.
<b>General</b>	
<b>Implementation</b>	Responsibility of Authorised Officer
<b>Periodic review</b>	Responsibility of Manager, Invasive Species
<b>Date reviewed</b>	7 November 2022

## Policy Approval

Approved by	Kangaroo Island Landscape Board	Date Approved	23/11/2022
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1	2 December	08	NRM Policy updated and record keeping amended
2	23 November	20	Updated to clarify some wording and ensure consistency with domestic pig policy



## Kangaroo Island Landscape Board

### Declared Animal Permit Application Form - Domestic Goats

#### ***Landscape South Australia Act 2019***

*Permit to Move, Possess or Sell Category 3 Animals (Section 197)*

Under **Section 197** of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*, it is an offence to possess or move domestic goat/s on Kangaroo Island without a permit issued by the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board (the 'Board'). All permit applications are considered in accordance with the *Declared Animal Policy, Goats* (attached) as adopted by the Board.

Permit applications must be submitted to the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board, 35 Dauncey Street, Kingscote SA, 5223. Any application fee that applies is to be made payable to the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board. The current application fee for domestic goat permits is: \$NIL

#### **Applicant Details** *(to be completed by the applicant)*

<b>Owner name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Contact phone numbers</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Property identification Code (PIC)</b>	

An Authorised Officer will contact you to arrange a time to inspect your property and record books from the previous permit period (where applicable).

#### **Property Risk Assessment** *(to be completed by the Board)*

<b>Assessor:</b>		
<b>Date:</b>		
<b>Score:</b> (Please circle)	<b>Low</b>	Comments:  Permit end date: Next property inspection date:
	<b>Moderate*</b>	Comments:  Permit end date: Next property inspection date:
	<b>High</b>	<b>No Permit Issued</b>
<b>Conditions</b>		

\* Applications with a **Moderate** property risk assessment score may be considered by the Board.