

## APPLICATION FOR A GROUP PROSPECTING LICENCE

### APPLICANT DETAILS

Please complete all mandatory (\*) fields

Applicant Name(s)\* .....

Contact Name(s) *if different to above* .....

Company/Association Name *if applicable* .....

Postal Address\* .....

Suburb and State\* ..... Postcode\* .....

Phone No ..... Mobile No\* .....

Email Address .....

Licence Duration\* .....

Date\* .....

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

To apply for a Group Prospecting Licence (GPL), you must provide:

1. **A Map of the Site Location**  Attached  
 This must clearly mark the site boundaries, and any off-road access routes you intend to use. You can provide more than one map if needed.
2. **Proof of Identity for all Applicants**  Attached
  - Minimum age of 18 years if applicant is not a company
  - Individual: Copy of Driver's Licence or Passport
  - Company: Copy of Certificate of Incorporation or Australian Companies Number (ACN) and list of office holders/directors

**IMPORTANT:** Mineral Resources Tasmania (MRT) cannot process your application unless you provide all of the required information above, complete this form, and pay the application fee.

The prescribed application fee must be submitted with this application. Fees are listed on MRT's website: [www.mrt.tas.gov.au/exploration/fees\\_rents\\_and\\_royalties/small\\_tiles/fees](http://www.mrt.tas.gov.au/exploration/fees_rents_and_royalties/small_tiles/fees)

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Applications submitted at Service Tasmania: **STaRS Code: MR2**. Cost allocation: 2125.45.4612

Application fee paid:  YES /  NO Receipt Number: .....

Cashier (*initial & date*) .....





## SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT

Licence fees are here: [www.mrt.tas.gov.au/exploration/fees\\_rents\\_and\\_royalties/small\\_tiles/fees](http://www.mrt.tas.gov.au/exploration/fees_rents_and_royalties/small_tiles/fees)

Payment receipts are issued on request only. Do you require a receipt?  YES  NO

Once you have completed this form, please submit it using one of the options below.

### 1. Mineral Resources Tasmania (MRT)

Submit your completed application to MRT by post, email, or in person at the Burnie office. MRT's contact details are provided below.

If you submit your application by post or email, MRT will contact you to arrange payment by card over the phone.

### 2. Service Tasmania

Submit your completed application and pay in person at any Service Tasmania outlet.

## MRT CONTACT DETAILS

**Phone** 03 6165 4800

**Email** [info@mrt.tas.gov.au](mailto:info@mrt.tas.gov.au)

**Website** [www.mrt.tas.gov.au](http://www.mrt.tas.gov.au)

**Post** PO Box 672, Burnie – TAS – 7320

### MRT Burnie Office

Level 2, Harris Building

49-51 Cattley Street

Burnie – TAS – 7320

Personal information collected for registration and tenement administration will be used by the Director of Mines for these purposes and may also be used as permitted under the *Mineral Resources Development Act 1995* and associated laws. It may be disclosed to the Director of Mines' contractors and agents, law enforcement agencies, and other authorised public sector bodies or organisations.

This information will be managed in accordance with the *Personal Information Protection Act 2004* and may be accessed on request to the Department, subject to a possible fee. Failure to provide this information may result in applications not being processed or records not being properly maintained.

## STANDARD CONDITIONS RELATING TO GROUP PROSPECTING LICENCES

1. A Group Prospecting Licence enables the holder of the licence to conduct group prospecting activities within areas allowed for prospecting. To determine allowed areas:
  - a. Visit the [Prospecting Access Map Viewer](#) on the Mineral Resources Tasmania (MRT) website by scanning the QR Code provided below; and
  - b. Refer to MRT's [Prospecting and Fossicking](#) website page.
2. Prospecting private property or existing Mining Leases, Retention Licences or Exploration Licences may only be conducted with the consent of the property owner and the holder of the mineral tenement.
3. Group Prospecting Licence holders must comply with the *Mineral Resources Development Act 1995*, the *Mineral Resources Regulations 2016*, and all relevant Federal, State, and local laws, codes of practice, and licence conditions.

This includes all requirements that apply to the proposed activities and the areas where prospecting will take place. Relevant authorities may include Crown Land Services, Sustainable Timber Tasmania, the Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Service, local councils, Transport Tasmania, Tourism Tasmania, WorkSafe Tasmania, and Fair Work Australia. The holder of a Group Prospecting Licence does not have exclusive access to proposed site(s)
4. The holder of a Group Prospecting Licence is responsible for the actions of all participants on their tours. They must always hold valid Public Liability Insurance that is appropriate for the proposed activities. MRT may request a copy of the current Public Liability Insurance policy at any time
5. A Prospecting Licence issued by MRT enables the holder to prospect for recreational or educational purposes only.
6. Only hand prospecting for material is allowed and only hand-held tools may be used.
7. The use of metal detectors is allowed anywhere that prospecting is allowed if you hold a current Prospecting Licence. Metal detectors are prohibited in designated fossicking areas.
8. The use of dredges, suction dredges, trommels and motorised pumps is prohibited. If in doubt, check with MRT prior to use.
9. Hand-held and unpowered sluices and high bankers which are less than one (1) metre in length and can be easily carried in the field by an average person, may be used. The use of motor and/or battery powered assistance is not permitted.
10. The use of any explosives is prohibited.
11. Prospectors are to conduct activities in a manner so as not to cause or aggravate soil erosion.
12. Excavation on any natural stream bank is not permitted. Banks must not be undermined.
13. Prospecting in roadside gutters, or extraction from road embankments, is not permitted.
14. All care is to be taken in the prospecting of materials, and any diggings shall be restored to normal surface level before leaving the area.
15. No vegetation is to be cut or removed.
16. A person who finds a meteorite must deliver the meteorite to the Trustees of the Tasmanian Museum.
17. Discovery of mineral and fossil specimens not recognised as common should be referred to MRT.
18. "Salting" is not permitted in Tasmania unless it is carried out in a controlled environment and approved by both the relevant planning authority and MRT. Salting means placing gold or precious or semi-precious stones in an area to increase the chance of finds. If salting forms part of your proposed activities, you must provide either proof of purchase (such as invoices) for the materials used, or evidence of a current Mining Lease.
19. No Aboriginal artefacts or site, or historic relics or site, are to be damaged or removed.
20. No speleothems (stalactites, etc.) are to be removed from caves, even if previously broken or not. Removal of speleothems is an offence and offenders can be prosecuted.
21. Excavation in any sinkhole in a karst area or within 10 metres of the entrance of, or within, any cave is not permitted.
22. Vehicles are not to be taken off formed tracks.
23. Local camping and fire regulations must be observed.
24. Mercury must not be used in prospecting to assist with the concentration, separation, and/or recovery of gold. Ensure you have downloaded the most recent version of this form from [www.mrt.tas.gov.au](http://www.mrt.tas.gov.au).

