

APPLICATION FOR A PROSPECTING LICENCE

FULL NAME, POSTAL ADDRESS AND EMAIL ADDRESS OF APPLICANT

Given Name(s):

Surname:

Postal Address:

Suburb and State:

Postcode:

Phone No.:

Mobile No.:

Email Address:

Date:

Duration of Licence sought: (5 years maximum)

TO APPLY FOR A PROSPECTING LICENCE please complete the above details and choose ONE of the below methods:

- Visit any Service Tasmania outlet or MRT office in person, OR
- Complete this form and email or post to MRT.
Fees can be paid by credit card over the phone.

Telephone: (03) 6165 4800

Facsimile: (03) 6173 0222

Email: info@mrt.tas.gov.au

Website: 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

MRT Rosny Office

30 Gordons Hill Road
ROSNY PARK TAS 7018

**The prescribed application fee must accompany this application.
Please refer to the [fee schedule](#) on the MRT Website.**

A receipt will not be issued unless requested. Receipt required YES ☐

Service Tasmania use only

Applications made through Service Tasmania: **STaRS Code: MR2.** Cost allocation: 2125.45.4611

Application Fee paid ☐ YES or ☐ NO Receipt Number _____

Cashier (Initial & date) _____

Personal information we collect from you for registration and tenement administration processes will be used by the Director of Mines for that purpose and may be used for other purposes permitted by the *Mineral Resources Development Act 1995* and associated laws. Your personal information may be disclosed to contractors and agents of the Director of Mines, law enforcement agencies and other public sector bodies or organisations authorised to collect it.

This information will be managed in accordance with the *Personal Information Protection Act 2004* and may be accessed by you on request to the Department. You may be charged a fee for this service. Failure to provide this information may result in your application not being processed or records not being properly maintained.

CONDITIONS RELATING TO PROSPECTING LICENCES

1. A Prospecting Licence enables the holder of the licence to prospect for minerals on some lands which are subject to the *Mineral Resources Development Act 1995*. To determine allowed areas:
 - a. go to the [Mineral Resources Tasmania \(MRT\) Prospecting Access Map Viewer](#) by scanning the QR Code provided below, and
 - b. refer to information provided on the [Prospecting and Fossicking page](#) on the MRT website.
2. Prospecting on private property or existing mining leases, retention licences or exploration licences may only be conducted with the consent of the property owner or the holder of the mineral tenement.
3. A prospecting licence issued by Mineral Resources Tasmania enables the holder to prospect for recreational or educational purposes only.
4. Only hand prospecting for material is allowed and only hand-held tools may be used.
5. 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.
6. The use of dredges, suction dredges, trommels and motorised pumps is prohibited. If in doubt, check with MRT prior to their use.
7. Hand-held and un-powered sluices and high-bankers which are less than 1m 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.
8. The use of any explosives is prohibited.
9. Prospectors are to conduct activities in a manner as not to cause or aggravate soil erosion.
10. Excavation on any natural stream bank is not permitted. Banks must not be undermined.
11. Prospecting in roadside gutters, or extraction from road embankments, is not permitted.
12. 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.
13. No vegetation is to be cut or removed.
14. A person who finds a meteorite must deliver the meteorite to the Trustees of the Tasmanian Museum.
15. Discovery of mineral and fossil specimens not recognised as common should be referred to Mineral Resources Tasmania.
16. No Aboriginal artefacts or site, or historic relics or site, are to be damaged or removed.
17. 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.
18. Excavation in any sinkhole in a karst area or within 10 metres of the entrance of, or within, any cave is not permitted.
19. Vehicles are not to be taken off formed tracks.
20. Local camping and fire regulations must be observed.
21. Mercury must not be used in prospecting to assist with the concentration, separation, and/or recovery of gold.



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