

# BIOSECURITY BILL FRAMEWORK

## Scope/Definitions

### **Biosecurity Matter** (cl.15)

- any living thing (other than a human or part of a human)
- Pathogenic agent that can cause disease in plants, animals and zoonoses
- disease
- contaminant

### **Prohibited Biosecurity Matter**

(cl.19-20)  
Foot & Mouth  
Citrus canker  
Nile perch

### Schedule 1

### **Restricted Biosecurity Matter**

(cl.21-22)  
Yellow Crazy Ant  
Black Sigatoka  
Fireweed  
Climbing perch

### Schedule 2

### **Contaminant** (cl.18)

Anything that may be harmful to animal or plant health or pose a risk to a biosecurity consideration

**Carriers** (cl.17) a thing, alive, dead or inanimate (includes a human) capable of moving or containing biosecurity matter

**Biosecurity risk** (cl.16) is a possibility of these things having an adverse effect on a biosecurity consideration

### **Biosecurity considerations**

(cl. 5(a)) human health; social amenity; the economy; the environment

## Obligations

### General Biosecurity Obligation (cl.23)

To take all reasonable and practical measures to prevent or minimise the **biosecurity risk**

**Regulations and Codes of practice** – set out specific general obligation requirements

**Codes of practice and Guidelines** – provide guidance on complying with general obligation

### Other Significant Obligations (Ch.2 Part 2 - 4)

- Prohibited matter
- Restricted matter
- Not feed animal matter to special designated animals
- Notifiable incidents

### Traceability Obligations

Entity (Property) registration  
Animal identification devices  
Movement records  
(Ch 7, Parts 2-3)

## Emergency biosecurity event management

Emergency Prohibited Matter declaration (cl.31)

Inspectors emergency powers (Ch 10, Part 3)

Biosecurity Emergency Orders (Ch 6, Part 1)

Stop and inspect vehicles (ch 10, part 4)  
(Police and Q'land Transport Authorised officers)

Movement Control Orders (Ch 6, Part 2)

## Agreements

Governmental/Industry Agreements (EPPRD, EADRA, NEBRA) (Ch 14 Part 2)

Compliance Agreements (Ch 14, Part 3)

Inter-government Accreditation & Certification (e.g. **Interstate Certification Assurance**) (Ch 14, Part 1)

## Ongoing biosecurity risk management

### State Government

Biosecurity Zones (Ch 6, Part 3)

Restricted Place Declaration (Ch 7, Part 2)

Authorised officers' general powers (Ch10)

(including: entry; stop or move; general powers; seizure; forfeiture, destruction, disposal, remove, require information or production of documents)

Land Protection Fund (Ch 3, Part 3)

Rabbit fence, Wild Dog Barrier and check fences (Ch 4)

Biosecurity Programs  
Surveillance; Prevention & Control (Ch 9)

Biosecurity orders & injunctions (Ch 13)

### Local Government

Local Government Functions and obligations to manage invasive plants and animals (Ch 3, Part 1)

Biosecurity (pest) Plans (Ch 3, Part 2)

## Limitations (on exercise of powers) and Protections (for individual rights)

due diligence defence(28) and self incrimination (120)

Provide information notice for decisions

Permits and exemptions authorising non-compliance

Compensation (cl 334 & Ch 11)

Evidence, internal and QCAT reviews, appeals (ch12)

Table, publish and provide documents

Consultation processes

Entry (Ch 10 part 2)

Review within 5 years (cl 501)

# BIOSECURITY REGULATION FRAMEWORK

Biosecurity Regulations provide technical or more specific details on how certain sections of the Act are to be implemented and enforced.

## Biosecurity matter listing

Prohibited Matter  
(Ch 2, Part 2)

Restricted Matter  
(Ch 2, Part 3)

Acceptable levels of  
contaminants  
(cl.503)

Notifiable incidents  
(cl.47)

## Disease tracing

Registration  
of Biosecurity Entity  
(Ch 7, Part 2)

Animal identification  
& tracing (Ch 7, Part 3)

Movement records  
(Ch 7, Part 3, Div 4)

Biosecurity zones  
cattle ticks, fire ants,  
bananas, etc (Ch 6, Part 3)

## Roles, powers and obligations

Land Protection  
Fund payments  
(Ch 3, Part 3)

Barrier fence  
building authorities  
(Ch 4)

Inspectors &  
authorised persons  
(Ch 10)

## Self-regulation Agreements

Compliance  
Agreements  
(Ch14 Part 3)

Accredited  
certifiers  
(Ch 15)

Auditors &  
Auditing (Ch 16)

## Other

Permits  
(Ch 8)

Fees  
(various)

Compensation  
(334 and Ch 11)

Standards and  
miscellaneous

## Codes of Practice (Ch 5, Part 1)

ways of minimising biosecurity risks; specific activities; managing invasive plants and animals; dealing with carriers; animal feed manufacturing; implementing best practice; disease eradication and vaccination; preventing/controlling spread of biosecurity matter; content and labelling requirements.

## Guidelines (Ch 5, Part 2)

Administration of the Act; ways of discharging an obligation; compliance with restricted matter requirements; and compliance with other requirements under the Act