

**POISONS AND THERAPEUTIC GOODS REGULATION 2008 (NSW)**

**Authority to Obtain Possession of Pentobarbitone Sodium**

PURSUANT to clauses 170 and 171 of the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008* ("the Regulation"), I, Bruce Battye, Deputy Chief Pharmacist, a duly appointed delegate of the Director-General of the NSW Ministry of Health, do hereby grant AUTHORITY to:

scientifically qualified persons conducting wildlife research in the field under an animal research authority issued on the recommendation of an Animal Ethics Committee under the *Animal Research Act 1985* (NSW),

to obtain possession of the prescribed restricted substance pentobarbitone sodium for injection, for the purpose of the person's profession or employment, in the humane destruction of animals in a field setting where a veterinary practitioner is not available and other forms of animal destruction are not practicable.

This authority is subject to the following conditions:

1. Each person so authorised must hold appropriate scientific qualifications conducting wildlife research in the field under an animal research authority issued on the recommendation of an Animal Ethics Committee under the *Animal Research Act 1985* (NSW).
2. Each person so authorised must have received appropriate training and assessment of his/her competency and have a demonstrated need to have access to pentobarbitone sodium for injection in order to carry out his/her official duties.
3. Pentobarbitone sodium for injection must be stored and recorded in accordance with the provisions of clauses 65 (4) - (6) inclusive, of the Regulation. In addition, if the authorised person is working in the field, pentobarbitone sodium for injection must be stored within the manufacturer's recommended temperature specification, kept away from public view, and kept securely locked away from public access when not in use.
4. The stocks of pentobarbitone sodium for injection obtained and kept by each person so authorised must be kept to the minimum which is considered likely to be required.
5. The pentobarbitone so obtained must not be re-supplied to any other person.



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Ministry of Health, New South Wales  
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