

# **Bounty Scheme for Wild Dogs Policy**

## **Policy Details**

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#### **Supporting documentation**

Legislation	<ul> <li>Biosecurity Act 2014</li> <li>Local Government Act 2009</li> <li>Local Government Regulation 2012</li> <li>Local laws</li> </ul>
Policies	• Nil
Delegations	• Nil
Forms	<ul><li>Consent Certification Form</li><li>Bounty on Wild Dog Claim Form</li></ul>
<b>Supporting Documents</b>	Carpentaria Shire Council Pest Management Plan

#### **Version History:**

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#### Intent

To provide guidelines for the submission, assessment and processing of claims for bounty on wild dogs.

#### Scope

Applies to all individuals and landholders lodging an application to receive bounty on wild dogs.

#### **Policy Statement**

Contained within Council's Biosecurity Plan are high priority pest animals that have been identified due to the depredation these animals cause within the eco-systems and the effect on rural industry and the economy.

To support landholders and other affected parties in efforts to contain and reduce populations of feral animals, Council has established a bounty scheme on Wild Dogs (Canis familiaris)

This policy provides the framework for receiving, assessing and processing claims submitted to the bounty scheme.

#### **Claims Procedures**

To receive the bounty available on wild dogs, the following terms and conditions must be met:

- The properties from which the eligible feral animal has been culled must be located within the local government area of Carpentaria Shire Council.
- It is a mandatory requirement the each and every bounty claim to be supported with a current consent certification form signed by the relevant landholder/ property manager. This consent certification form is attached as Appendix A
- Claimants will be required to produce photographic identification when submitting their claim.
- Claims can only be lodged by prior appointment with Council's Local Laws Officer/Animal Control Officer. Initial contact can be made by contracting Council's Administration Office on (07) 4745 2200. The Customer Service Team will direct all enquiries to Council's Local Laws Officer/Animal Control Officer to establish a mutually acceptable appointment time.
- Council's Local Laws Officer/Animal Control Officer will advise the claimant of the payment procedure should the scalp(s) be assessed eligible under this policy.
- Presentation of scalp(s) will only occur at the Normanton Dog Pound located at the rear
  of the Council Depot on Phillip Street Normanton at the pre-arranged date and time
  established with Council's Local Laws Officer/Animal Control Officer.
- Council will only accept dog scalp(s) that are fresh, salted or frozen. No scalps that are rotten or decaying or whole bodies will be accepted.
- Any claims received that do not conform to the guidelines established in this policy will be deemed ineligible.
- Council's Local Laws Officer/Animal Control Officer's decision to the eligibility of each claim is final.



- The payment authorisations for all approved claims will be processed by Council's Accounts Payable Section in the next available scheduled payment run.
- The claimant will receive a copy of the payment authorisation as proof of receipt.
- Any scalps, tails of snouts not deemed eligible for the bounty scheme can be disposed of by the applicant at Council's refuse facility. The incorrect disposal of such material is an infringement of Council's Local Laws and penalties (maximum penalty – 20 penalty points) may be enforced on offenders.

#### **Definitions**

TERM	DEFINITION
Wild Dog	Refers to purebred dingoes, dingo hybrids, and domestic dogs that have escaped or been deliberately released and now live in the wild.

Adopted by Council 15 April 2020 by Resolution 0420/022.

Mark Crawley
Chief Executive Officer

## **APPENDIX A - Claim Form**



# Certification of Claim Form for Bonus Scheme for Wild Dogs Completed by Land Owner/ Manager

I confirm that:	
	(Name of authorised person able to cull on Property)
has permission to o	cull Wild Dogs on my property as described below:
Property Name:	
Property Location:	
Authorised by Pro	operty Owner / Manager:
Print Name:	
Signature:	
Date: /	/20