

Northern Territory of Australia

Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Act 2004

Directions of Use of Registered Veterinary Chemical Products by Non-Veterinarians

I, Daniel Gerard Whitfield-Jones the appointed Chemicals Coordinator under the *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Act 2004* (the **Act**), consider that in order to protect users (non-veterinarians) of a class of chemical product (Schedule 4 and 8 substances), that instructions by a veterinarian **must be in writing** in accordance with section 25(2)(a) of the *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Act 2004*.

For a class of veterinary chemical product that contains Schedule 4 and 8 substances, section 25(2)(b) is not available to non-veterinarians when considering the application of section 77 of the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 2012*.

Failing to comply with this direction is an offence under section 87(2). This direction is a reviewable decision under the Act, the process for review is outlined in Part 11 of the Act.

Schedule 4 and 8 substances are listed under the Poisons Standard (SUSMP) managed by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (Commonwealth).

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Dated 17 October 2023
