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*Motor Vehicles Act 1949 and Traffic Act 1987*

## **Exemption from *Motor Vehicles Act 1949, Traffic Act 1987* and *Motor Vehicles (Standards) Regulations 2003***

I, Cindy-Lee McDonald, the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, pursuant to section 135 of the *Motor Vehicles Act 1949* and section 43B of the *Traffic Act 1987*, and with reference to section 42 of the *Interpretation Act 1978*, hereby exempt the self-ride hire electric scooters described in the schedule (electric scooters), and the owners and riders of those electric scooters, from the registration, motor accident compensation contributions, vehicle standards and driver licensing requirements of the *Motor Vehicles Act 1949, Traffic Act 1987* and *Motor Vehicles (Standards) Regulations 2003*, subject to the following conditions:

1. A person may use or be permitted to use an electric scooter on a footpath, shared path or public place, if authorised to do so by the authority that has the care and control of the footpath, shared path or public place, and in accordance with any conditions imposed by the authority.
2. A person using an electric scooter must not travel along a road unless —
  - (a) there is an obstruction on a footpath, nature strip, or shared path adjacent to the road (an adjacent area); and
  - (b) it is impracticable to travel on the adjacent area; and
  - (c) the electric scooter travels less than 50m along the road to avoid the obstruction.

For the purposes of this condition, **road** means an area that is used by the public and is developed for, or has as one of its main uses, the driving or riding of motor vehicles, and includes the shoulder of the road (within the meaning of Australian Road Rule 12(3)) but does not include a bicycle lane (within the meaning of Australian Road Rule 153(4)) marked on the road.

A person may cross a road on an electric scooter.

3. A person using an electric scooter on a footpath or shared path must —
  - (a) keep to the left of the footpath or shared path unless it is impracticable to do so; and
  - (b) give way to pedestrians on the footpath or shared path.
4. A person must not use or be permitted to use an electric scooter on the footpaths adjacent to Mitchell Street, between Peel Street and Knuckey Street, between the hours of 8pm and 6am.
5. A person using an electric scooter on a footpath or shared path must keep to the left of any oncoming pedestrian, bicycle rider or other electric scooter user on the path.
6. A person using an electric scooter must wear a bicycle helmet approved for the purposes of Australian Road Rule 256 and securely fitted and fastened on the user's head.
7. A person using an electric scooter must be at least 18 years of age.
8. A person using an electric scooter must not carry any other person on the electric scooter.
9. A person must not use or be permitted to use an electric scooter which when propelled by the motor, is capable of reaching a speed greater than 15km/h on level ground.
10. A person must not use or be permitted to use an electric scooter unless the electric scooter has a bell, horn or similar warning device in working order.
11. A person must not use or be permitted to use an electric scooter at night, or in hazardous weather conditions causing reduced visibility, unless the electric scooter, displays —
  - (a) a flashing or steady white light that is clearly visible for at least 200m from the front of the electric scooter; and
  - (b) a flashing or steady red light that is clearly visible for at least 200m from the rear of the electric scooter.

12. A person must not be permitted to use an electric scooter unless they have been made aware of the above conditions of use.
13. This exemption is granted to facilitate the use of self-ride hire electric scooters, that can be geo-fenced to control their range and speeds under an operator agreement between Neuron Mobility (Australia) Pty Ltd and the City of Darwin. It does not authorise the use of privately owned electric scooters.
14. Neuron Mobility (Australia) Pty Ltd, as the operator selected by the City of Darwin, must maintain public liability insurance for at least \$20 million whilst an operator agreement exists between the two parties.
15. This exemption shall be valid until 31 August 2023, and may be varied or revoked at any time at the discretion of the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.
16. Neuron as the operator selected by the City of Darwin must maintain a record of all data associated with the operation of self-ride hire electric scooters, and make that data available to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.
17. A person using an electric scooter is only exempt from the registration, motor accident compensation contributions, vehicle standards and driver licensing requirements of the *Motor Vehicles Act 1949*, *Traffic Act 1987* and the *Motor Vehicles (Standards) Regulations 2003* while observing conditions 2-12. An electric scooter ridden in breach of those conditions is an unregistered motor vehicle, in respect of which no motor accident compensation contributions have been paid under Part 5 of the *Motor Vehicles Act 1949*.

Dated 25 January 2023

C-L. McDonald  
Registrar of Motor Vehicles

## **Schedule – Electric scooters**

***Electric scooter*** means a device that:

- a) has 2 wheels and a footboard supported by the wheels;
- b) is steered by handlebars;
- c) is designed to be used by a single person;
- d) is propelled by an electric motor;
- e) has an effective stopping system controlled by using brakes and / or motor control;
- f) when propelled by the motor, cannot reach a speed greater than 15km/h on level ground; and
- g) is offered to the public for hire by Neuron Mobility (Australia) Pty Ltd under an operator agreement with the City of Darwin.

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*Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998*

### **Appointment of Authorised Officers**

I, Amy Lynette Dennison, Executive Director Environmental Regulation in the Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security, as the delegate of the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority under section 70(1)(a) of the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998*, appoint each person named in Schedule 1 as an authorised officer for the purposes of the Act.

Dated: 3 February 2023

A. L. Dennison  
Executive Director Environmental Regulation

**Schedule 1**  
Carlos Gallo

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*Police Administration Act 1978*

## **Sale of Goods**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to section 166 of the *Police Administration Act 1978*, the following property as shown on the attached schedule has been in the possession of the Officer in Charge, Police Station, Borroloola, for a period in excess of 3 months and this property will be sold or otherwise disposed of in a manner as determined by the Commissioner of Police, if after twenty-eight (28) days from the publication of this notice the property remains unclaimed.

Kylie Anderson  
Commander  
Northern Command

1 February 2023

## **Schedule**

### **Seized Firearm for Destruction**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Item Description</b>
593954/001	Rossi Puma 065, lever action, Calibre: .44 mag, 10 round capacity, SN: M039650
576846/001	BSA, 9tion, Calibre: .303, SN: 93519

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