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### **PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 2016**

#### GUIDELINES ON THE DESIGNATION OF AUTHORISED OFFICERS

#### 1. Objective

1.1 To provide enforcement agencies with guidance on the designation of authorised officers as per Part 2, Division 4, section 29 of *the Public Health Act 2016* (the Act).

#### 2. Guidelines

2.1 The Chief Health Officer may issue guidelines in relation to the appropriate qualifications and experience for a person or class of persons to be designated as authorised officers under the Act. The following guidelines are provided.

2.2 An enforcement agency may designate a person or, as the case requires, the persons within a class as authorised officers, for the purposes of the Act—

- I. if the person or persons within that class hold a qualification approved by the Chief Health Officer under section 18 of the Act; or
- II. if the person or persons within that class have previously been approved by the Executive Director, Public Health to be appointed as an environmental health officer, under the *Health Act 1911*; or
- III. if the person or persons within that class hold qualifications and experience approved by the Western Australian Environmental Health Officers Professional Review Board.

2.3 For the purposes of the *Health (Asbestos) Regulations 1992* only, an enforcement agency may designate a person to be an authorised officer if the person has previously been authorised in writing by the Executive Director, Public Health to be appointed as an authorised person under those Regulations.

2.4 In accordance with section 25(2) of the Act, these guidelines do not apply to the designation of public health officials, whether individually or as a class; or appointed environmental health officers, whether individually or as a class.

#### 3. Accountability

3.1 Each enforcement agency must prepare and maintain a list of authorised officers designated by the agency.

3.2 Maintenance of lists of authorised officers and compliance with designation guidelines may form part of the annual reporting requirements to the Chief Health Officer of the Department of Health.

Professor TARUN WEERAMANTHRI, Chief Health Officer, Department of Health.

Dated this 24th day of January 2017.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 2016**

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICERS (APPROVED QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE FOR APPOINTMENT) NOTICE 2017

Pursuant to section 18 of the *Public Health Act 2016*, I hereby approve the following qualifications and experience for eligibility to be appointed as an environmental health officer under section 17 of the Act—

Qualifications	Institution
Diploma in Environmental Health	Technical Education Division Department of Education Western Australia
Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Health)	Western Australian Institute of Technology Western Australia

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Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Health)	Curtin University Western Australia
Bachelor of Science (Environmental Health)	Curtin University Western Australia
Bachelor of Science (Environmental Biology)	Curtin University Western Australia
Graduate Diploma in Environmental Health	Curtin University Western Australia
Master of Environmental Health	Curtin University Western Australia
Bachelor of Health Science (Environmental Health)	Edith Cowan University Western Australia
Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Health)	University of Western Sydney (Hawkesbury), New South Wales
Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Health)	Batchelor University Northern Territory
Bachelor of Environmental Health	Griffith University Queensland
Bachelor of Science (Environmental Health)	Griffith University Queensland
Bachelor of Public Health (Environmental Health)	Griffith University Queensland
Bachelor of Health Science (Environmental Health)	Queensland University of Technology Queensland
Bachelor of Environmental Health	Central Queensland University Queensland
Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Health)	Queensland University of Technology Queensland
Graduate Diploma in Environmental Health	Queensland University of Technology Queensland
Bachelor of Environmental Health Science	University of the Sunshine Coast Queensland
Bachelor of Science (Environment and Health) [Graduates from 2010]	University of the Sunshine Coast Queensland
Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Health)	Flinders University South Australia
Graduate Diploma in Environmental Health Practice	Flinders University South Australia
Bachelor of Health Science (Environmental Health)	University of Tasmania Tasmania
Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Health)	Swinburne University of Technology Victoria
Bachelor of Health Science (Environmental Health Management)	Swinburne University of Technology Victoria
Bachelor of Health Sciences (Public Health and Environmental Health)	Swinburne University of Technology Victoria
Bachelor of Public Health (Environmental Health) [Graduates to 2011]	Latrobe University Victoria
Bachelor of Health Sciences (Environmental Health) [Graduates to 2014]	Latrobe University Victoria
Royal Society of Health Diploma of Health Inspection	Royal Society of Health United Kingdom
Royal Society of Health Diploma, Inspector of Meat and Other Foods	Royal Society of Health United Kingdom
Bachelor and Master Environmental Health degrees accredited by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health UK (CIEH)	United Kingdom

Qualifications	Institution
Baccalaureus Technologiae, Environmental Health	Central University of Technology (formerly known as Technikon Free State), Free State South Africa

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Dated this 24th day of January 2017.