



Department of Biodiversity,
Conservation and Attractions



Wedge and Grey Shacks fact sheet

Shacks held by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions

- Shacks and associated structures will not be considered to be held by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) until 30 days after cancellation of licence or until such time that the cancellation of licence is not in dispute.
- Shacks and associated structures held by DBCA will be assessed by a suitably qualified building inspector for structural integrity and at the discretion of the DBCA Director General a licence may be granted for access and use of the shack and associated structure.
- DBCA will remove all shacks, associated structures and other property held by DBCA where:
 - a. the condition deterioration is high or structural integrity is low as assessed by the approved building inspector;
 - b. there is an imminent risk to human health and safety, as determined by an approved building inspector;
 - c. there is imminent threat of environmental harm; or
 - d. where there is a likely significant escalation of remediation and rehabilitation costs if removal of a shack or associated structures and property is delayed.
- Unlicensed shacks and associated structures held by DBCA will be assumed to contain asbestos unless determined otherwise by a suitably qualified person.
- Prior to removal of a shack or associated structure, the shack and associated structures will be recorded by DBCA through inventory, photography and written descriptions for historic record purposes.
- Sites where shacks have been removed will be retained by DBCA and identified by a register containing a mapping record and by installing a sign with the number of the former shack and interpretation as appropriate.
- Sites where shacks have been removed may be made available for public use such as caravanning, camping or moveable building for displaced licensees via transfer of licence as agreed by DBCA once the site is made suitable for such use.
- Where activities require ground disturbing works within an Aboriginal heritage site formal advice should be sought from the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) by emailing swsheritage@dplh.wa.gov.au before the ground disturbing works commence.

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This fact sheet must be read in conjunction with the 2019 Licence conditions - Wedge and Grey.

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