



**NEW FEE**

## **New fee for keeping restricted birds under the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007***

Under delegation from the Department of Agriculture and Food Western Australia the Department of Parks and Wildlife issues keeping permits for exotic birds regulated under the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007* in the restricted keeping category. This arrangement simplifies the process for bird keepers by having one department responsible for issuing permits for both native and introduced species.

On 17 June 2016, the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management (Fees and Charges) Determination for 2016-17 was published in the Western Australian *Government Gazette* which amended some fees and charges. Each year, government departments are required to review tariffs, fees and charges with the aim of recovering costs for services offered.

As a result of the changes, new fees for permits to keep exotic birds will come into effect on 1 July 2017.

Previously, there were two categories of restricted bird keeping permits – one for species that present a lower risk to biosecurity that was issued free of charge, and one for species that present a higher risk for a fee of \$30.

New fees are being introduced to align with the requirements of the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management (Fees and Charges) Determination for 2016-17. The new fees have been kept as low as possible.

From 1 July 2017, all Regulation 93 restricted bird keeping permits will incur the same fee. The new fee is \$30 for a one-year permit or \$40 for a three-year permit.

**For a list of birds that require a restricted keeping permit, and for further information about importing and keeping introduced birds in Western Australia, please visit [www.agric.wa.gov.au/importing-animals/importing-and-keeping-introduced-mammals-birds-reptiles-and-amphibians-western](http://www.agric.wa.gov.au/importing-animals/importing-and-keeping-introduced-mammals-birds-reptiles-and-amphibians-western).**

**For further information about wildlife licensing fees, please visit [www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/plants-and-animals/licences-and-permits](http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/plants-and-animals/licences-and-permits).**

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