



## AMPHIBIAN KEEPERS' LICENCE SPECIES LISTS (September 2005)

Native frogs, their eggs and tadpoles, are protected under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974. It is against the law to take them from the wild or to have them in your possession without an appropriate licence from the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC). Frogs may be kept as pets under a licensing and record keeping system that allows the DEC to monitor what species are being kept, bred and traded amongst enthusiasts. A person who wishes to keep frogs may do so only if an Amphibian Keepers Licence (AKL) is held by that person. People who hold a licence may obtain frogs from other people who legally hold them, but they are not allowed to be sold through pet shops and must not be taken from the wild.

The DEC recommends that all frog enthusiasts join an amphibian or reptile organisation such as those listed below. This will put you in touch with other people who have similar interests and who may have animals that may be traded among licensees. Benefits will also be gained from the knowledge, experience and expertise of other frog keepers and perhaps the opportunity to participate in field observation and research activities. The classes of AKL are described below.

### EXEMPT SPECIES

With the exception of tadpoles collected for observation of metamorphosis referred to below, there are no species exempt from the requirement for a licence to hold or trade.

### CLASS 1- BASIC FROG KEEPERS LICENCE

The following common amphibian species may be kept under a Class 1 AKL. All of these species have been assessed by herpetologists as species that are readily maintained in captivity by any keeper with a basic knowledge of amphibian care. A Class 1 Licence must be granted by the DEC prior to obtaining any of these species and the licensee's records must be submitted to the DEC in August each year. The Class 1 Licence is issued for a period of up to two years (depending upon the month that the original application is lodged) and records must be submitted to the DEC in August each year. The licence fee is \$60 for up to two years or \$120 for five. A Class 1 licence may be granted to a person over the age of 10 years, but a person under the age of 16 years must have a parent or guardian's consent.

<u>Code</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>English Name</u>
U3018	<i>Cyclorana brevipes</i>	Short-footed Frog
Q3024	<i>Cyclorana novaehollandiae</i>	New Holland Frog
S3025	<i>Cyclorana platycephala</i>	Water-holding Frog
S3165	<i>Litoria alboguttata</i>	Striped Burrowing Frog
W3167	<i>Litoria bicolor</i>	Northern Dwarf Tree Frog
Z3171	<i>Litoria caerulea</i>	Green Tree Frog
U3174	<i>Litoria chloris</i>	Red-eyed Green Tree Frog
W3175	<i>Litoria citropa</i>	Blue Mountains Tree Frog
Q3180	<i>Litoria dentata</i>	Keferstein's Tree Frog
U3182	<i>Litoria ewingi</i>	Southern Brown Tree Frog
W3183	<i>Litoria fallax</i>	Eastern Dwarf Tree Frog
A3184	<i>Litoria freycineti</i>	Freycinet's Tree Frog
G3187	<i>Litoria gracilentia</i>	Dainty Green Tree Frog
K3189	<i>Litoria infrafrenata</i>	White-lipped Tree Frog
U3190	<i>Litoria jervisensis</i>	Jervis Bay Tree Frog
W3191	<i>Litoria latopalmata</i>	Broad-palmed Frog

A3192	<i>Litoria lesueurii</i>	Lesueur's Frog
K3197	<i>Litoria moorei</i>	Moore's Frog
Z3199	<i>Litoria nasuta</i>	Rocket Frog
A3204	<i>Litoria peronii</i>	Peron's Tree Frog
E3206	<i>Litoria phyllochroa</i>	Green Stream Frog
K3209	<i>Litoria rothii</i>	Roth's Tree Frog
U3210	<i>Litoria rubella</i>	Red Tree Frog
A3212	<i>Litoria splendida</i>	Magnificent Tree Frog
E3214	<i>Litoria tyleri</i>	Tyler's Tree Frog
G3215	<i>Litoria verreauxii</i>	Verreaux's Tree Frog
C3001	<i>Adelotus brevis</i>	Tusked Frog
W3131	<i>Crinia parinsignifera</i>	Eastern Sign-bearing Froglet
E3134	<i>Crinia signifera</i>	Common Froglet
G3135	<i>Crinia sloanei</i>	Sloane's Froglet
A3052	<i>Lechriodus fletcheri</i>	Fletcher's Frog
M3058	<i>Limnodynastes dumerilii</i>	Bullfrog
Z3059	<i>Limnodynastes fletcheri</i>	Long-thumbed Frog
A3060	<i>Limnodynastes interioris</i>	Giant Bullfrog
Q3112	<i>Limnodynastes ornatus</i>	Ornate Burrowing Frog
C3061	<i>Limnodynastes peroni</i>	Striped Marsh Frog
E3062	<i>Limnodynastes salmini</i>	Salmon-striped frog
G3063	<i>Limnodynastes tasmaniensis</i>	Spotted Marsh Frog
Y3064	<i>Limnodynastes terraereginae</i>	Northern Banjo Frog
Z3083	<i>Neobatrachus centralis</i>	Trilling Frog
U3086	<i>Neobatrachus sudelli</i>	Painted Burrowing Frog
K3013	<i>Uperoleia capitulata</i>	Small-headed Toadlet
W3035	<i>Uperoleia fusca</i>	Dusky Toadlet
U3158	<i>Uperoleia laevigata</i>	Smooth Toadlet
G3151	<i>Uperoleia rugosa</i>	Wrinkled Toadlet
E3302	<i>Uperoleia tyleri</i>	Tyler's Toadlet

### CLASS 2- ADVANCED FROG KEEPERS LICENCE

A Class 2 licence permits the licensee to hold the species listed below for Class 2 licence and those that are listed for a Class 1 licence. Class 2 species may be either rare or extremely difficult to maintain in captivity. A Class 2 Licence is available only to persons who are over the age of 18 years who can demonstrate a minimum of 2 years relevant amphibian keeping experience. A Class 2 licence must be obtained before any of the following species are acquired. Written notification of all transactions involving Class 2 species is required from both parties within 10 days of the transaction. Records of all species held and all transactions must be submitted to the DEC every August. Class 2 licences are issued for a period of up to one year for \$60, two years for \$120 or five years for \$240.

Y3020	<i>Cyclorana cultripes</i>	Knife-footed Frog
U3026	<i>Cyclorana verrucosa</i>	Rough Frog
U3166	<i>Litoria aurea</i>	Green and Golden Bell Frog
A3168	<i>Litoria booroolongensis</i>	Booroolong Frog
C3169	<i>Litoria brevipalmata</i>	Green-thighed Frog

M3170	Litoria burrowsae	Tasmanian Tree Frog
G3179	Litoria dahlii	Dahl's Aquatic Frog
T3003	Litoria eucnemis	Fringed Tree Frog
G3039	Litoria littlejohni	Littlejohn's Tree Frog
G3003	Litoria pearsoniana	Pearson's Green Tree Frog
G3207	Litoria raniformis	Southern Bell Frog
Z3219	Litoria revelata	Whirring Tree Frog
A3220	Litoria xanthomera	Orange-thighed Frog
Z3007	Assa darlingtoni	Pouched Frog
Y3128	Crinia deserticola	Desert Froglet
K3137	Crinia tinnula	Wallum Froglet
G3029	Geocrinia laevis	Tasmanian Smooth Froglet
S3033	Geocrinia victoriana	Victorian Smooth Frog
K3006	Geocrinia vitellina	Orange-bellied Frog
U3042	Heleioporus australiacus	Giant Burrowing Frog
W3107	Kyrannus kundagungan	Mountain Frog
A3108	Kyrannus loveridgei	Loveridge's Frog
C3109	Kyrannus sphagnicola	Sphagnum Frog
K3073	Mixophyes balbus	Southern Barred Frog
M3074	Mixophyes fasciolatus	Great Barred Frog
Z3075	Mixophyes iteratus	Giant Barred Frog
E3098	Notaden bennetti	Holy Cross Toad
Z3103	Paracrinia haswelli	Haswell's Froglet
A3116	Pseudophryne australis	Red-crowned Toadlet
C3117	Pseudophryne bibronii	Bibron's Toadlet
E3118	Pseudophryne coriacea	Red-backed Toadlet
Q3120	Pseudophryne dendyi	Southern Toadlet
C3125	Pseudophryne semimarmorata	Southern Toadlet

#### UNCLASSIFIED NATIVE SPECIES

Native species of amphibian that are not listed above may not be kept under the AKL system. Proposals for classification of native species that are not listed above, or for the review of the classification of listed species, may be forwarded to the Director General of DEC. Proposals must demonstrate the legal availability of the species and detail their captive husbandry. Proposals will be referral to the Native Animal Keepers' Consultative Committee for advice.

#### EXOTIC AMPHIBIANS

Exotic (non-native) species of amphibians cannot be kept under the DEC AKL system. The keeping and trading of exotic amphibians is administered by NSW Primary Industries under the Non-Indigenous Animals Act, 1987

#### TADPOLES

A licence is not required for the collection of small numbers of tadpoles by children and institutions for the purpose of observing metamorphosis. Persons who collect tadpoles for this purpose are expected to return frogs to the same location, and water body from which the tadpoles were collected. Please refer to the DEC publication 'Hygiene protocol for the control of disease in frogs' for guidelines on the collection and release of tadpoles.

#### RESCUE & RELOCATION OR REHABILITATION OF AMPHIBIANS

An AKL does not authorise the rescue and relocation of tadpoles or frogs, or the care of sick or injured animals. Appropriately qualified people are licensed by the DEC to provide capture and relocation services and specialist wildlife rehabilitation organisations are licensed to care for sick and injured animals and these animals must eventually be returned to the wild.

#### INTERSTATE IMPORT & EXPORT OF AMPHIBIANS

An AKL licensee must obtain a licence from the DEC to authorise the interstate import or export of amphibians.

#### REPTILE & AMPHIBIAN KEEPERS' ORGANISATIONS

The NSW societies include:

- Australian Herpetological Society - PO Box R79, Royal Exchange, Sydney 2000 (www.ahs.org.au/)
- Central Coast Reptile and Frog Group - PO Box 922, Gosford 2250
- Frog and Tadpole Study Group of NSW inc. (FATS), PO Box 296, Rockdale 2216 (www.fats.org.au)
- Hawkesbury Herpetological Society - PO Box 30, Emerton 2770 (www.users.bigpond.com/josef\_p/hhs/)
- Macarthur Herpetological Society, PO Box 235, Narellan 2567 (www.macherps.com/)
- North Coast Herpetological Group, PO Box 8006, Flynn's Beach 2444 (www.nchg.org.au/)
- Orana Herpetological Society - PO Box 809 Mudgee 2850
- Reptile & Amphibian Interest Group, PO Box 5013, East Lismore 2480
- Riverina Frog and Reptile Society, PO Box 1340, Wagga Wagga 2650 (www.reptilesdownunder.com/club/riverinafrogandreptile)
- Society of Frogs and Reptiles Inc. (SOFAR), PO Box 30, Jesmond 2299 (users.hunterlink.net.au/~sofar/)
- South Coast Herpetological Society, PO Box 248, Fairy Meadow 2519 (www.sthcoastherpsociety.bizland.com)

#### FURTHER ENQUIRIES

For further information on the Amphibian Keepers' Licensing system please contact the Wildlife Licensing and Management Unit, DEC, between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm Monday to Friday on phone 02 9585 6480 or fax 02 9585 6401. Written enquiries should be addressed to the Director General, DEC, PO Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 2220 or

Email: [wildlife.licensing@DEC.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wildlife.licensing@DEC.nsw.gov.au)