

PORNOGRAPHY



Central Land
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WHAT IS THE MEASURE?

The Family and Community Services Act (Cth) bans the possession and supply of pornographic material within Prescribed Areas.

Pornographic material captured in the ban includes:

- publications which are classified restricted category 1 or 2 or films which are classified X18+ (which generally contain real depictions of sexual activity)
- publications, films or computer games which have been refused classification (which generally contain sex, cruelty, or violence that offends against acceptable standards of morality and decency).

The Act also gives police all necessary powers in Prescribed Areas to seize and destroy material which may be prohibited.

These measures go further than existing restrictions under Classification of Publications, Films and Computer Games Act 2005 (NT).

WHERE ARE PRESCRIBED AREAS?

Prescribed Areas are:

- all Aboriginal land under Land Rights Act (Cth)
- all community living areas granted under Lands Acquisition Act (NT)
- town camps declared by the Minister
- any other area in the NT declared by the Minister.

WHEN DOES IT START?

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WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE?

Office of Film and Literature Classification
Family and Community Services Act 2007 Schedule 1