

31. Damage etc. to naturally occurring features

- (1) A person must not, without lawful authority —
- (a) cause any significant damage or disturbance to a naturally occurring feature on CALM land;
 - (b) damage or disturb any naturally occurring feature on CALM land in a way that causes, or creates a potential for, adverse consequences to or in relation to CALM land; or
 - (c) remove any naturally occurring feature from CALM land.

Penalty: \$2 000.

- (2) An authorised officer who believes on reasonable grounds that a naturally occurring feature found in the possession of a person is involved in the commission of an offence against subregulation (1) may direct that person to surrender the naturally occurring feature to the authorised officer immediately.

- (3) A person must comply with a direction under subregulation (2).

Penalty: \$2 000.

- (4) In this regulation —

“naturally occurring feature” includes —

- (a) a fossil;
- (b) a mineral specimen, meteorite and tektite;
- (c) a speleotherm and speleogen;
- (d) a termite mound;
- (e) guano;
- (f) a stromatolite, sedimentary deposit associated with stromatolites or other sedimentary deposit, and cyano-bacteria responsible for building stromatolites which are present in stromatolites; and
- (g) dead marine shell, dead coral, dead sea urchin, coralline algae and live coral organisms living in dead coral.