

Fossicking notice / fossicking request for consent

Before you fill in the form

Read the helpful hints on page 3 to help you complete the form.

Please select the option that applies by marking with an x			
Fossicking notice		Fossicking request for consent	
Statement of intent: I/we hereby notify the landowner, occupier or titleholder of my/our intention to enter upon the relevant land, as identified below, to carry out fossicking activities.		Statement of intent: I/we hereby notify the landowner, occupier or titleholder of my/our intention to enter upon the relevant land, as identified below, to carry out fossicking activities; and request your written consent to fossick upon that land. If consent is granted, please sign in the space provided below and return this page to the address indicated.	
Details of relevant land – (e.g. Mineral Title or Pastoral Lease)			
Title/land details		Date of proposed entry	
Fossicker details (include details of additional fossickers on the signature page)			
Full Name			
Postal address			
Phone		Email	
Number of vehicles		Number of persons	
Vehicle details (make, model, colour and rego number/s)			
Signature		Date	
This section must be completed by the landowner, occupier or mineral title holder. Return the signed page to the fossicker by email or post.			
Consent granted			
Full Name			
Signature		Date consent given	

Proposed fossicking area and activities – provide an accurate description of intended fossicking area, including location of proposed camping site if applicable.					
Description – attach additional pages if required					
Map - if a map is required, please supply one on a separate sheet					
Fossicking details - description of the nature of fossicking including equipment to be used					
Duration of fossicking					
What do you intend to fossick for					
Fossicker's signature/s					
Note: All fossickers are required to carry photographic identification at all times					
Full Name		Signature		Date	
Address					
Full Name		Signature		Date	
Address					
Full Name		Signature		Date	
Address					

Further information

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Helpful hints for completing the form

Relevant land

Before you can determine whether you need to send a notice or a request for consent, you must firstly work out what the land tenure is and whether there are any granted mineral titles or applications for mineral titles in the area you wish to fossick on.

Details of mineral titles (granted or applications) and underlying land tenure can be obtained from STRIKE which is located on the Department's website <https://strike.nt.gov.au/>

Which option do I need – notice or request?

Use the **fossicking notice** form if you are fossicking on:

- Pastoral Land (where the area is not being used for pastoral activity or you are not fossicking within 2km of a homestead or 1km of a stockyard)
- A granted Exploration Licence (but only when you are fossicking for gold and the EL holder is not conducting authorised activities)

Use the **fossicking request** (for consent) form if you are fossicking on:

- Pastoral Land where the area is being used for pastoral activity or if fossicking is within 2km of a homestead or 1km of a stockyard
- A granted Exploration Licence that is undertaking authorised activities (but only if you are fossicking for gold)
- Granted or Application areas of a Mineral Lease, Extractive Mineral Permit or Extractive Mineral Lease
- Reserved Land (Mineral Titles Act 2010) if not a declared fossicking area
- Private Land, Aboriginal Land or Aboriginal Community Living Area
- A Park or Reserve

If you are unsure whether you need to issue a notice or request for consent, please contact the Pastoralist or Mineral Title holder before submitting the form.

Depending on the tenure of the land, multiple consents may need to be obtained. Refer to the Information Bulletin – Land Access at <https://fossicking.nt.gov.au/useful-information/information-bulletins/land-access>

Date of proposed entry

The proposed entry date should take into consideration a realistic time frame in which to dispatch the notice or requests and to provide for return of written consent (if required). It is an offence to enter the land prior to this date unless agreed to by the specified person.

Landowner, occupier or mineral title holder's details

It is up to the fossicker to source the required contact details of private landowners from telephone directories, the internet or via the Land Titles Office as the Department is unable to provide these details.

Mineral Title holder contact details can be obtained from STRIKE at <https://strike.nt.gov.au/>

Pastoral lease holder contact details are available from the Department of Lands, Planning and Environment. Email rangelands.DEPWS@nt.gov.au with requests for contact information.

Fossicker details

Include contact details of the primary fossicker in a group who will act as the main contact between the fossicking party and the landowner. For additional fossickers please include full names and addresses of all other members of the fossicking party on (attach a separate sheet if necessary). All fossickers must carry photographic identification while on the relevant land.

The postal or email address should be a reliable communication mode which is accessed regularly and where the landowner/occupier or title holder can contact you and/or return their written consent.

Vehicle details

Specify make, model, colour and rego number. You must provide details of all vehicles that will be covered by this Fossicking Notice/Request.

Landowner, occupier or mineral title holder – consent granted section

Once completed by the landowner/occupier or title holder, this section serves as the written 'consent' in response to a Fossicking Request. This completed consent form needs to be produced if necessary, as proof that a Fossicking Request was given to the landowner/occupier or title holder.

Proposed area for fossicking activity

Complete a detailed description or draw a map of the area where you intend to fossick, clearly indicating the location and any proposed camping sites.

Latitude/longitude of the area or grid references may be used and this information can be obtained from STRIKE

Fossicking details

Describe the nature of fossicking, including what equipment will be used. Include in this section what type of mineral or stone you are intending to fossick for and the duration you intend to remain on the relevant land.

Fossicker's signature and date

A Fossicking Notice must be provided a minimum of 7 days beforehand to the landowner/occupier or Mineral Title holder of the intention to enter the relevant land. In circumstances requiring consent, a Fossicking Request must be given to the landowner/ occupier or Mineral Title holder a minimum 14 days before the intended entry date onto the land.