

## **Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulations 2008**

### **NOTICE OF APPROVAL AND DETERMINATION**


#### **Requirement for setting or using glue traps under Regulation 53**

I, Joe Helper, Minister for Agriculture and Minister responsible for administering the **Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulations 2008**, give notice under Regulation 53 of those regulations that:

I approve all Victorian commercial pest controllers to use glue traps in commercial food manufacturing premises within Victoria provided the use is in accordance with the following determined conditions:

1. Glue traps must not be set or used anywhere other than inside a commercial food manufacturing premises in rooms where food is stored or prepared.
2. Glue traps must not be set or used in outdoor areas.
3. The trap must be fixed to the premises such that it is not be able to be moved by a trapped animal.
4. The trap must be checked at least every 24 hours.
5. A trapped animal that is a rodent must be humanely destroyed as soon as is reasonably possible.
6. If an animal other than a rodent is captured in the trap and is alive at the time the trap is checked and the person is able to remove all glue from the animal, the person must release the animal from the trap and remove all glue from it as soon as is reasonably possible.
7. If an animal other than a rodent is captured in the trap and is alive at the time the trap is checked but the person is unable to remove all glue from the animal, the animal must be taken to a veterinary practitioner for treatment as soon as is reasonably possible.
8. If an animal that is released from the trap under condition 6 is injured or suffering from being trapped in the glue, it must be taken to a veterinary practitioner for treatment as soon as is reasonably possible, or if severely injured, may be humanely destroyed.
9. If an animal that is released from the trap under condition 6 is uninjured and is a dog or a cat that is unidentified and cannot be returned to its owner, it must be delivered to an authorised officer of the local council as soon as is reasonably possible.
10. Once the trap is no longer required for trapping rodents, it must be disposed of in a manner which will prevent any further animals from becoming stuck to the trap.

This approval commences on 16 December 2008 and remains in place until 31 December 2009 unless earlier revoked.

  
**Joe Helper MP**  
**Minister for Agriculture**  
Date: 16/12/2008

**Note: Regulation 53 provides that:**

A person must not set or use a glue trap unless—

- (a) the person is a commercial pest control operator; and
- (b) the person sets or uses the trap for the purposes of trapping rodents; and
- (c) the person has been approved by the Minister to set or use the trap; and
- (d) the person sets or uses the trap in accordance with any determination by the Minister as to—
  - (i) the period of time during which setting or using a glue trap is permitted; and
  - (ii) any other conditions of setting or using a glue trap that the Minister considers appropriate.