



## ROTTNEST ISLAND AUTHORITY POLICY

# Environmental

### OVERVIEW

In collaboration with lessees, licensees, volunteer organisations, contractors and other Government agencies the Rottnest Island Authority (RIA) provides a range of operations, products and services within the Rottnest Island Reserve to:

- meet the functions under the *Rottnest Island Authority Act 1987*;
- comply with relevant legislative and voluntary requirements; and
- cater and provide for visitor needs, experience, safety and private interests and requirements.

There are inherent environmental risks associated with the range of operations, products and services provided and undertaken within the Rottnest Island Reserve. The Environmental Policy provides a direction for environmental management within the Rottnest Island Reserve.

### OBJECTIVES

The key objectives of the Policy are to:

1. provide direction for environmental management within the Rottnest Island Reserve;
  2. protect and conserve the environmental values and conservation targets of the Rottnest Island Reserve; and
  3. meet relevant legal, contractual and voluntary obligations including associated standards, policies and procedures.
- provide a supportive culture by embracing behaviours that contribute to environmental sustainability or improved environmental outcomes;
  - promote the efficient use of resources including energy and water;
  - take responsibility for waste derived from Island activities by implementing waste avoidance, reuse and recycling strategies, and reduce the amount of waste that is disposed of;
  - minimise environmental harm and prevent pollution by applying a hierarchy of controls to eliminate, substitute or mitigate impacts;
  - protect and maintain the flora, fauna and unique natural environment of Rottnest Island through the implementation of conservation management strategies.

### SCOPE

This Policy is applicable to all operations and services undertaken by the RIA, lessees, licensees, volunteer organisations, contractors and other Government agencies on Rottnest Island, including;

### POLICY STATEMENT/S

It is the policy of the RIA that it shall:

- recognise, understand and control the environmental risks associated with RIA activities including internal operations, contracts, leasing and licensing arrangements within the Rottnest Island Reserve;
- comply with applicable legal requirements and to other requirements to which the RIA subscribes to; and
- demonstrate continual improvement and report annually on environmental performance.

### EFFECTIVE DATE

The policy is effective from 1 September 2014.

