



EDG 13: Exploration Licence, Rehabilitation and Relinquishment Report

Prior to the release of a security deposit on an Exploration Licence, the leaseholder must provide an assurance that rehabilitation has been completed and complies with licence conditions. In most circumstances an Environmental Officer from the Department will also conduct a site inspection prior to licence cancellation or release of the security bond.

In general, rehabilitation should be consistent with accepted best practice and any guidelines noted on the Department's website. Rehabilitation must also be undertaken to the land holder's satisfaction. Where applicable or required, sealing of boreholes must be consistent with "Guidelines for Borehole Sealing Requirements" (on land and in water bodies – EDG1 and EDG2).

THIS GUIDE MAY BE USED AS A PROFORMA FOR AN EXPLORATION LICENCE REHABILITATION AND RELINQUISHMENT REPORT, AND AS A CHECKLIST FOR REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

Where surface disturbing activities HAVE NOT been undertaken, complete Sections 1 and 2 and the Statutory Declaration on Page 4 ONLY.



Exploration Rehabilitation and Relinquishment Report

This form must be used to submit a Rehabilitation and Relinquishment Report as described in EDG13 and within the Exploration Licence Conditions for the Title.

1 Licence Particulars					
Title(s):	Insert EL Number				
Licence Holder:	Insert name				
Contact Address:	Insert Contact Address (1)				
Insert Contact Address (2)					
Manager:	Insert manager name(s)				
Site Supervisor:	Insert supervisor name(s)				
Telephone:	Insert contact phone number	Mobile:	Insert contact mobile phone number		
Facsimile:	Insert contact fax number	Email:	Insert contact email address		
2 Location Details					
DPI Minerals Region in which operations are located: (refer to Information for Titleholders or website for map showing regions if unsure)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Broken Hill		<input type="checkbox"/> Orange			
<input type="checkbox"/> Singleton		<input type="checkbox"/> Wollongong			
Local Government Area: Insert name of Local Council					
Topo Map Sheet(s):	Topo Sheet Details	Boundary Point / Grid Ref:	Boundary point / Grid Ref		
A map showing location of activities and proposed site layout must be attached:					<input type="checkbox"/> Map is attached
Area of disturbance of the program / activity described (ha):		Insert area of disturbance			
Note: Where surface disturbance activities have <u>not</u> occurred, no further information is required, except for Sections 1 and 2 above and the Statutory Declaration on Page 4.					
3 Landholder Satisfaction					
Indicate if a landholder satisfaction form (ESB-F06) has been sent, received and/or appended					
Property Name	Landholder / Contact	Phone	Sent	Verbal	Appended
Property Name	Contact Name	Phone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Property Name	Contact Name	Phone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Property Name	Contact Name	Phone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Date Received	File number
Receiving Officer	Referred to

Property Name	Contact Names	Phone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 Drillhole Sealing and Backfilling (Refer to EDG1 and EDG2)					
Drilling Contractor(s):	Insert name of drilling contractors				
Address	Insert address of drilling contractors (1)				
Insert address of drilling contractors (2)					
Telephone:	Insert contact phone number				
5 Reporting Requirements					
Please attach a report which contains the following information.					
A plan which shows:					
<input type="checkbox"/> exploration licence boundaries. <input type="checkbox"/> land occupier boundaries. <input type="checkbox"/> land use. <input type="checkbox"/> the location of each surface disturbing activity, or activities if closely grouped, including drillholes. <input type="checkbox"/> the relationship of exploration activities to natural features and improvements.					
For each surface disturbing activity, or activities if closely grouped, attach descriptions of: (activities may be grouped into those of a similar nature and tabulated if convenient).					
<input type="checkbox"/> the activity. <input type="checkbox"/> a brief description of pre-activity slope, landform and vegetation. <input type="checkbox"/> the nature and extent of vegetation and ground disturbance caused by the activity, including photographs. <input type="checkbox"/> capping and sealing details of drillholes. <input type="checkbox"/> for sealed or filled boreholes, the contractors name and address. Attach documents from the contractor describing sealing works undertaken and amounts of sealant used (refer to EDG1 and EDG2 for specific requirements for coal operations). <input type="checkbox"/> rehabilitation works undertaken including, if applicable, spoil disposal, reshaping, topsoil placement, vegetation, weed control, post rehabilitation erosion control. <input type="checkbox"/> for any disturbance not fully rehabilitated, the nature of remaining disturbance, the reason rehabilitation is not required or has not been undertaken, and partial rehabilitation or stabilisation works undertaken. <input type="checkbox"/> rehabilitation outcomes including photographs of rehabilitation success and photographs of remaining disturbances. <input type="checkbox"/> while not mandatory, landholder/occupier letters may greatly expedite the Department's assessment and lease relinquishment processes. Attach a signed letter from each landowner/occupier whose land has been disturbed to indicate the landowners' or occupiers' satisfaction with rehabilitation (Refer to ESB Form 6 Landholder/Occupier Rehabilitation Statement). <input type="checkbox"/> the attached statutory declaration.					

6 FURTHER INFORMATION

Mailing Address	
The Administration Officer Environmental Sustainability Branch NSW Department of Primary Industries PO Box 344 Hunter Region Mail Centre NSW 2310	
Email	
environment@dpi.nsw.gov.au (note that there is currently a 5MB size limit for lodgement by email)	
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STATUTORY DECLARATION

New South Wales

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OATHS ACT, 1900

EIGHTH SCHEDULE

I, _____, of _____ in the State of New South Wales, solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:

1. I am the duly appointed Exploration Project Manager for Exploration Licence Number _____.
2. I am authorised to make this Declaration on behalf of the Exploration Licence Holder.
3. All operations carried out under the Exploration Licence comply with the conditions of the Title.
4. Those operations also comply with the conditions of all other relevant Government Agency approvals and Licences granted in respect of them.
5. Details of all drillholes, excavations and other surface disturbances made by the Exploration Licence Holder within the area of the Title are described in the attached report.
6. I confirm that all of the works referred to in the previous paragraph lie wholly within the area of the Exploration Licence. I also confirm that the details contained in the attached report are true, complete and accurate.
7. The exploration activities listed in the attached report have been rehabilitated as described and in accordance with:
 - a) the conditions of the Exploration Licence;
 - b) any directions from an Inspector of Mines or Environmental Officer;
 - c) the conditions of any other applicable Government Agency approval or licence.
1. Any works not rehabilitated are listed and described in the attached report. I confirm that the reasons for not doing so are true and correct.
2. On the basis of the evidence contained in this Declaration, I request cancellation of the Exploration Licence *and/or* [DELETE AS NECESSARY] refund of the security deposit held by the Department.

And I make this solemn Declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the *Oaths Act, 1900*.

Subscribed and Declared at _____

in the State of New South Wales this ____ day of _____

before me: _____ (sgd) _____ (sgd)

A Justice of the Peace

Exploration Site Manager



Landowner/Occupier Rehabilitation Statement

This form allows the holder of an exploration licence to ascertain whether rehabilitation of land disturbed by activities during the course of the licence has been to the satisfaction of the land owner or occupier.

Provided that the licence holder has rehabilitated exploration disturbance on your property to your satisfaction, please sign and return this form to the licence holder. The licence holder will attach it to the Exploration Licence Rehabilitation and Relinquishment Report required by the Department. If rehabilitation is not to your satisfaction, do not sign this form, and discuss outstanding issues with the licence holder. If an agreement cannot be reached, or you have any queries, please contact your regional office on the numbers provided below.

To be completed by the Exploration Licence Holder

7 Licence Particulars (to be completed by licence holder)			
Title(s):	Insert EL Number		
Licence Holder:	Insert company name		
Contact Name:	Insert contact name		
Contact Address:	Insert address		
Telephone:	Insert phone number	Mobile:	Insert mobile phone number
Facsimile:	Insert fax number	Email:	Insert email address
Affected Property Name:	Insert affected property name(s)		
Affected Property Address:	Insert property address		

To be completed by the Land Owner / Occupier

8 I am satisfied with the state in which the exploration licence holder has left my property and the standard of rehabilitation which has been achieved.			
Landholder/Occupier Name:			
Contact Address (if different from above):			
Telephone:		Mobile:	
Signed:			
Date:			