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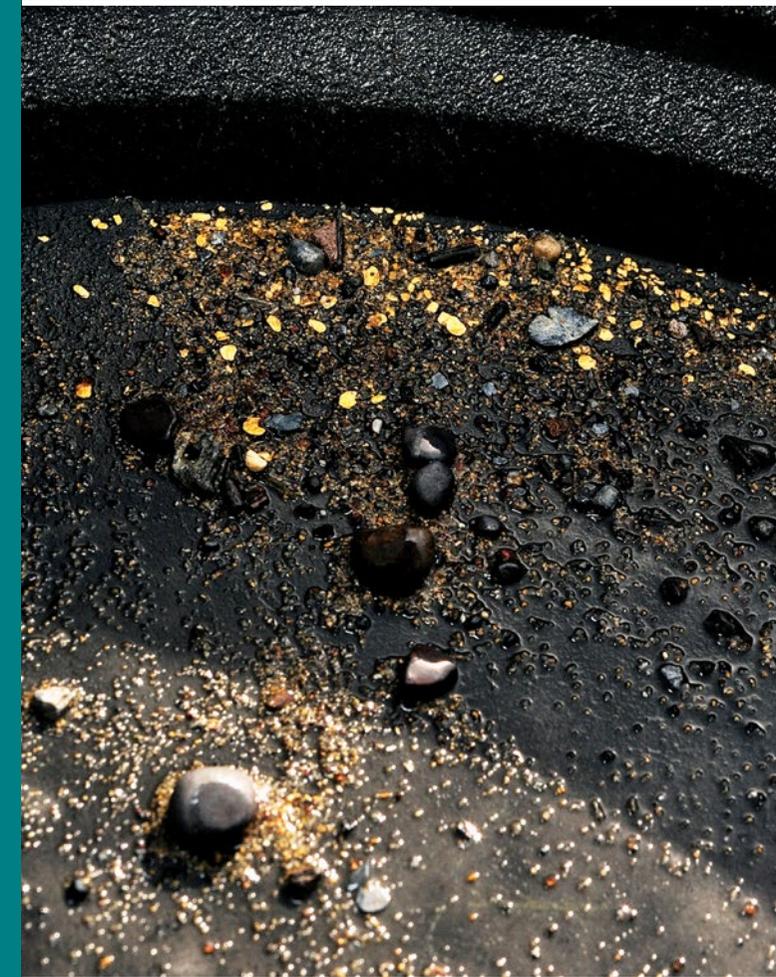
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N.B. The information contained in this pamphlet is  
designed to assist in gaining a general awareness of  
the requirements of the *Mining Act 1978* and is not  
intended to be a substitute for understanding the  
statutory requirements of the Act and Regulations  
thereunder.

# Seven Golden Rules for Prospecting



# 1.

## Put safety first

- Make sure you have enough water, fuel, maps and first aid supplies.
- Give serious consideration to taking some form of telecommunications and a global positioning system to fix locations, and a Personal Locator Beacon (PLB) – it may turn out to be your most important safety device.

# 2.

## Obtain a Miner's Right permit

when prospecting on vacant Crown land.

# 3.

## Obtain a 40E permit

prior to prospecting within an exploration tenement (if you don't have written permission from the tenement holder).

# 4.

## Get written permission

from the tenement holder when prospecting on:

- a mining lease;
- an exploration licence (if you don't have a 40E permit); or
- a prospecting licence.

# 5.

## Comply with all legal requirements

when prospecting on a pastoral lease. You cannot prospect within 100 metres of any occupied building or within 400 metres of any livestock watering point without the consent of the pastoralist.

# 6.

## Show respect when on Crown land

because it is used by other people or set aside for many purposes.

# 7.

## Fill any holes

that you dug and repair ground that has been disturbed.

The most common prospecting permit used by tourists visiting Western Australia is a Miner's Right. This permit allows holders to prospect on Crown land with hand-held tools (such as a metal detector) and to take and keep samples or specimens up to 20 kilograms.

A Miner's Right permit can be obtained from any Mining Registrar's office for a prescribed fee per person.

Permit holders need to be aware that Crown land can be used for many purposes and should respect the rights of others.

To learn more about the different permits and permissions required for prospecting in Western Australia, please refer to the Seven Golden Rules for Prospecting (left).

For more information about prospecting, please visit your nearest Mining Registrar's office to obtain a copy of Prospecting in Western Australia or download it from: [www.dmirs.wa.gov.au/prospectingwa](http://www.dmirs.wa.gov.au/prospectingwa)

To find your nearest Mining Registrar's office, please consult the list on the back page of this brochure or visit: [www.dmirs.wa.gov.au/regionaloffices](http://www.dmirs.wa.gov.au/regionaloffices)



**DID YOU KNOW...**that the maximum penalty for an individual prospecting illegally is \$150,000?