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Submission Police Offences Amendment
(Knives and Prohibited Weapons Bill 2026

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Part 2 – Police Offences Act Amended

Part II, Division 1B Inserted

Division 1B – Prohibited Weapons

Prohibited weapon means the following:

(a) a machete;

(b) a thing, item or article prescribed as a prohibited weapon;

(c) a class of things, items or articles prescribed as a prohibited weapon;

14F. Prohibited weapons

(2) Subsection (1) (c) (ii) an agricultural professional who ensured that the

the P/W is kept in a locked receptacle at all times

when not in use.

MY COMMENT - Discretion needs to be used when policing this section.

6. Part II, Division VIII Inserted

34E. Genuine reason Inserted

In this Division, a genuine reason to possess or use a knife means one or more of the following:

(c) a lawful activity in respect of collection , display or exhibition;

MY COMMENT – Can I safely assume that Machete's can be legally owned, display etc by genuine collectors ?

34E. (e) an activity or purpose that is prescribed as a genuine reason.

MY COMMENT – Can I safely assume that hunting, fishing camping etc will a genuine reason?

PART 3 – Police Offences Regulations 2024 AMENDED

PART 3A inserted

PART 3A – KNIVES AND PROHIBITED WEAPONS

7A EXEMPT KNIFE

(1) For the purposes of the definition of **exempt knife**, in section 3 of the Act, a knife or class of knife, or a class of knifes, is prescribed as an exempt knife, or class of exempt knives, if the knife or class of knives is –

(a) designed , manufactured, supplied or sold as a tool that is used for the purposes of consuming food, or assisting in consuming food; or

MY COMMENT – Would not the term food preparation be more precise than consuming?

(2) For the avoidance of doubt, etc

MY COMMENT – The whole section confuses me! It puts severe doubts in my mind.

I FIND IT CONTRADICTS 7A EXEMPT KNIFE Totally.

PLEASE EXPLAIN

This would have to be the most confusing Bill I have ever tried to get my head around. How do you expect the average layman to understand this potential law. A pessimist would say it was designed to do just that.

Yours Faithfully,

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