DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS NOTICE No. 2018/08



**Australian Government Department of Home Affairs**

**Penalty for Non-Compliance with the *Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Regulation 2016***

From 29 June 2018, a penalty will be introduced for non-compliance with the *Commerce*

*(Trade Descriptions) Regulation 2016* (the CTD Regulation). The penalty will be up to 50 penalty units ($10,500), consistent with Commonwealth Government guidelines.

# Background

The *Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act 1905* and the CTD Regulation set out labelling requirements at the border for the importation of certain goods. A Court has discretion to apply a penalty of up to 50 penalty units where a person is found guilty of contravening or failing to comply with the CTD Regulation. The penalty is consistent with Commonwealth Government guidelines (*Guide to Framing Commonwealth Offences, Infringement Notices and Enforcement Powers*).

# Further information

Further information about the CTD Regulation is available on the Department of Home Affairs website at https://[www.homeaffairs.gov.au/busi/cargo-support-trade-and-goods/importing-goods/labelling-requirements.](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/busi/cargo-support-trade-and-goods/importing-goods/labelling-requirements)

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