

# Free Bait Injection Service

2019 Regional needling days for coordinated predator control



This is a **free service** provided by the Living Flinders program

During the service join us for a capacity building workshop on building strong neighbourly relationships

It is intended that all landholders accessing this service will commit to laying poison baits over the Autumn period. If baits are laid across the region at the same time, the success of effective control is greatly increased.

Each rack will be operating from **9am to 2pm**

Tuesday, 12 February	Peterborough region - Dawson Racetrack
Wednesday, 13 February	Cradock – Ruddocks Yards, Yednalue Road
Tuesday, 19 February	Quorn – Gun Club, Arden Vale Road
Wednesday, 20 February	Wilmington – Goey Gills property, Orroroo Road

## What's involved?

NRM Authorised Officers will be on site to inject meat baits. Drying racks will be set up at each of the locations and we ask you to **bring along your own meat** to be injected on the day. It is preferred that the meat is semi-dried (the meat needs to have a slight 'skin' so that it can retain the 1080). If you are unable to access meat but would like to be involved with the program, please contact the Rack Co-ordinator.

Depending on weather and drying conditions, baits will need to remain on the rack for a short period after needling to allow sufficient drying. Following paperwork, baits are bagged, labelled and ready to be taken home in a suitable closed container (provided by landholder.) Poison labels will be supplied by NRM staff and all relevant paperwork associated with poison baits will be completed on site. **Participants are asked to RSVP to the rack co-ordinator prior to the needling date to ensure enough poison is prepared.**

## Contact details:

**Rack Coordinator:** Perri Hendriks, 0447 455 384, Perri.Hendriks@sa.gov.au

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# Dried meat bait – Frequently Asked Questions

## What type of bait should I bring to the Needling Rack?

- **Red meat:** Any cuts of kangaroo, goat, beef, mutton
- **Chicken wings:** Get a good uptake by foxes
- **Kangaroo hearts:** Commercially available from Dews at Orroroo (8658 1063) or Crossroads Game eats at Port Augusta (8642 6066)

## How big should they be?

- **Fox baits:** Intact meat that must have a minimum wet weight of 75g (size of a small clenched fist)
- **Wild dog baits:** Intact meat that must have a minimum wet weight of 150g (size of a large clenched fist)

## Do they need to be dry?

- **Yes!** Semi-dried please. Baits need to have a skin prior to needling, as wet baits will 'bleed' poison

Baits will need to be pre-dried before bringing them to the racks. Depending on the weather, overnight or a few hours in sun and breeze after cutting to size is enough to drain excess blood and form a good 'skin' to hold poison.

**Please do not bring frozen baits.**

## Checklist – What to bring to the Needling Day

- Property Lot Numbers
- Semi-dried meat, defrosted and cut to the correct size ready for needling
- Buckets with lids or old eskies to take home bagged meat

## 1080 Dried meat bait placement

### Where is the best place to put out baits?

There are specifications outlining the legal requirements for baiting in rural areas. Along tracks and stock pads leading to water points and at track junctions are often good 'hot spots'. Keep a record of areas where you get a good uptake and re-use these spots.

### Do I need to notify my neighbours?

Yes. All neighbours must be notified at least 72 hours prior to putting out poison baits on your property.

#### **DON'T BAIT YOUR MATE**

Domestic dogs are at great risk of poisoning and must be prevented from consuming bait. Thoroughly wash down utes, gloves and boots. Muzzle dogs while working near baited paddocks.



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