

RTI 024 – Trap Applications

How many applications received by Minister in the last five years – 2

Date	Why exemption was needed	Was exemption granted?	What conditions placed on exemption?	What trap used, animal species and location
24 May 2018	For a range of pest management programs in Tasmania by the Invasive Species and the Biosecurity Operations branches in Biosecurity Tasmania	Yes*	Valid for three years	Leg hold trap – preferred variety is ‘soft catch’. Exemption covers both pest and native species. Rabbits and feral cats on high-conservation value islands will be the most commonly targeted species. Other species may include exotic mammals that have been introduced or escaped from zoos.
14 May 2015	For Parks and Wildlife Service staff to set, lay or place leghold traps for the purpose of pest eradication in situations where other means are unfeasible	Yes	Any leghold trap to be used must be of the “soft catch” type; and Exemption remains in force until 2 years from 20/6/2015.	Use of soft leghold traps as part of an approved PWS eradication operation targeting the capture of European rabbits (<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>) specifically on Dart Island State Reserve

*Please note in August 2015 the Minister delegated powers under s12 of the Act to the Secretary.