Conditions of Use

Use of the Ecology Centre TERF facility is conditional on compliance with the following requirements and expectations of use. If you or the people working with you in association with your project do not comply with these conditions we reserve the right to withdraw your permission to use TERF requiring you to terminate all TERF based activities and remove all equipment and materials from the property immediately at your own cost. All members of your research team must acknowledge that they have read this statement and agree to these terms.

1. **Pinjarra Hills Respect**: Access to TERF requires travelling through portions of the University’s Pinjarra Hills site used by both other UQ groups and non-UQ organisations. All researchers must operate vehicles in a safe manner, remain on public access roads where available, and avoid interference with others’ property and equipment. Be aware that livestock may be present on roads and occasionally on portions of TERF.

2. **Research Respect**: All researchers must be respectful of other projects on going on TERF. It is up to each TERF user to familiarize themselves with the map of usage provided on the Ecology Centre TERF website. This map provides details of where at TERF all other current users have plots actively in use. All users must respect the plot boundaries of all other TERF users and only enter other researchers’ plots after obtaining permission from the relevant researcher.

3. **Report Changes**: Though we will check proposed research plans, we recognise that plans often change. It is your responsibility to update us with changes in your broad research plan and to contact us and other researchers if there is any chance that your updated activities could impact other researchers’ experimental plots.

4. **Plot markers**: It is highly recommended that you clearly mark the edges of your plots when possible to avoid accidental damage as people move around in TERF. If you use metal posts you MUST provide safety caps to avoid injuring other researchers as grasses at TERF can be very tall and conceal even tall metal posts.

5. **Research trash**: It is each researcher’s responsibility to clean up after themselves. At the end of your project at TERF, all associated research equipment must be removed by your research team – this includes all marking pegs and posts, flagging tape, pots, bags etc.

6. **Gates, padlocks, and keys**: One of the main purposes of TERF is to provide a SAFE research site for a wide range of activities. For this reason it is critical that all members of your research team keep all gates closed and locked. There are grazing animals on the rest of Pinjarra Hills – leaving gates open could endanger the research activities of all other TERF users. All keys must be returned at the conclusion of your project.

7. **TERF Building**: We do not have a cleaner who comes to the TERF building so please clean up after yourself and remove all garbage and food when you leave.

8. **Legal/Safety**: All members of research teams (anyone going to Pinjarra Hills) MUST complete the UQ fieldwork online induction and complete and sign supervisor approved risk assessments. The UQ system risk assessment numbers must be provided to us before work can commence. Non-UQ based team members (volunteers, collaborators) are also required to complete risk assessments and as these people will not have access to UQ’s online risk assessment system they must provide pdfs of risk assessments to the Ecology Centre.
9. **Acknowledgements**: Any publications produced from work conducted at TERF should include TERF and the Ecology Centre in their acknowledgements. We also ask that you provide us references for all papers published using results from TERF so we can include details of your work on our promotional materials and website.

I have read, understood and agree to abide by all the conditions of use described above.

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