



The 2023 implementation of the Hand Held Scanning (Wanding) legislation in the *Police Administration Act 1978*, brought with it the following obligation for public reporting on the website:

**116KK Notice of hand held scanner authority to be published**

(1) The Commissioner must publish notice of a hand held scanner authority on the Agency's website within 2 months after the authority is issued.

(2) The notice must include the following information:

(a) a description of the suspected offence area, or the name of the high risk area or public transport facility, for which the hand held scanner authority was issued;

(b) the day and time the authority started and ended;

(c) information about:

(i) the offence or offences mentioned in section 116KB(3)(a) that were known to the Commissioner or approved member who issued the authority; and

(ii) the consideration by the Commissioner or approved member of the matters mentioned in section 116KB(3)(b) and (c) in relation to issuing the authority;

(d) for an authority issued for a suspected offence area – the grounds for the Commissioner's suspicion mentioned in section 116KB(1).



Geographical Area	Time / Date of Authority	116KB(3)(a) Offence or Offences Known to the Approving Member		116KB(3)(b)and(c) Considerations
<b>APRIL 2024</b>				
<b>Darwin High Risk Area</b>	From 2:00pm on 19 April 2024 until 2:00am on 20 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a firearm, controlled or prohibited weapon; A violent offence was committed; More than 1 weapon possession offence was committed.	On 18 April 2024, a Security Guard was threatened with a knife.  On 17 April 2024, a robbery occurred where the offender was armed with a knife.	Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Darwin High Risk Area.  This is a high pedestrian traffic area, with members of the public engaging in business and recreation activity.
<b>Alice Springs High Risk Area</b>	From 4pm on 20 April until 2:00am on 21 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a firearm, controlled or prohibited weapon; or a violent offence was committed.	On 18 April 2024, a Security Guard was threatened with a knife.	Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Alice Springs High Risk Area.  Previous operations in the Alice Springs High Risk Area have led to the detection and seizure of edged weapons.

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<b>Tennant Creek High Risk Area</b>	From 2pm on 20 April until 2:00am 21 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a controlled weapon.	On 21 December 2023, two victims were stabbed with a knife.	The use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Tennant Creek High Risk Area.  The Tennant Creek High Risk Area is a high pedestrian traffic area with a number of licenced premises.
<b>Tennant Creek High Risk Area</b>	From 2pm on 21 April until 2:00am 22 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a controlled weapon.	On 21 December 2023, two victims were stabbed with a knife.	The use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Tennant Creek High Risk Area.  The Tennant Creek High Risk Area is a high pedestrian traffic area with a number of licenced premises.
<b>Alice Springs High Risk Area</b>	From 5pm on 22 April until 5:00am on 23 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a firearm, controlled or prohibited weapon; A violent Offence was committed; or	On 20 April 2024, a female was located with a pair of metal surgical scissors.  On 20 April 2024, a male was armed in public with	Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Alice Springs High Risk Area.

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		More than one weapon possession offence was committed	a controlled and offensive weapon.	Previous operations in the Alice Springs High Risk Area have led to the detection and seizure of edged weapons.
<b>Tennant Creek High Risk Area</b>	From 2:00pm on 22 April until 2:00am on 23 April 2024	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a controlled weapon.	On 21 December 2023, two victims were stabbed with a knife.	The use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Tennant Creek High Risk Area.  The Tennant Creek High Risk Area is a high pedestrian traffic area with a number of licenced premises.
<b>Alice Springs High Risk Area</b>	From 3pm on 23 April until 3:00am on 24 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a firearm, controlled or prohibited weapon; A violent Offence was committed; or More than one weapon possession offence was committed	On 2 March 2024 a police officer was assaulted and a razor blade was located on the offender.  On 3 March 2024, a male youth was observed damaging property. A machete was located on his person when arrested.	Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Alice Springs High Risk Area.  Previous operations in the Alice Springs High Risk Area have led to the detection and seizure of edged weapons.

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<p><b>Tennant Creek High Risk Area</b></p>	<p>From 2:00pm 23 April until 2:00am 24 April 2024.</p>	<p>In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a controlled weapon.</p>	<p>On 21 December 2023, two victims were stabbed with a knife.</p>	<p>The use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Tennant Creek High Risk Area.</p> <p>The Tennant Creek High Risk Area is a high pedestrian traffic area with a number of licenced premises.</p>
<p><b>Alice Springs High Risk Area</b></p>	<p>From 3:00pm on 24 April until 3:00am on 25 April 2024.</p>	<p>In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a firearm, controlled or prohibited weapon; A violent Offence was committed; or More than one weapon possession offence was committed.</p>	<p>On 2 March 2024 a police officer was assaulted and a razor blade was located on the offender.</p> <p>On 3 March 2024, a male youth was observed damaging property. A machete was located on his person when arrested.</p>	<p>Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Alice Springs High Risk Area.</p> <p>Previous operations in the Alice Springs High Risk Area have led to the detection and seizure of edged weapons.</p>

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<b>Tennant Creek High Risk Area</b>	From 2:00pm until on 24 April until 2:00am on 25 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a controlled weapon.	On 21 December 2023, two victims were stabbed with a knife.	The use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Tennant Creek High Risk Area.  The Tennant Creek High Risk Area is a high pedestrian traffic area with a number of licenced premises.
<b>Palmerston High Risk Area</b>	From 10:00am until 10:00pm on 24 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months, more than one weapon possession offence was committed.	On 6 March 2024, a male was armed with a hunting knife in a public place.  On 27 February 2024, a Security Guard was threatened with a knife.	Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Palmerston High Risk Area.  This is a high pedestrian traffic area, with members of the public engaging in business and recreation activity.
<b>Alice Springs High Risk Area</b>	From 3:00pm on 25 April until 3:00am 26 April 2024	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a firearm, controlled or prohibited weapon; A violent Offence	On 26 March 2024, an adult male was located in possession of a large knife.  On 16 April 2024, CCTV	Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Alice

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		was committed; or More than one weapon possession offence was committed.	observed a male fighting with a hammer.	Springs High Risk Area.  Previous operations in the Alice Springs High Risk Area have led to the detection and seizure of edged weapons.
<b>Tennant Creek High Risk Area</b>	From 2:00pm on 25 April until 2:00am on 26 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a controlled weapon.	On 21 December 2023, two victims were stabbed with a knife.	The use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Tennant Creek High Risk Area.  The Tennant Creek High Risk Area is a high pedestrian traffic area with a number of licenced premises.
<b>Alice Springs High Risk Area</b>	From 2:00pm on 26 April until 2:00am 27 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a firearm, controlled or prohibited weapon; A violent Offence was committed; or More than one weapon possession offence was committed.	On 26 March 2024, an adult male was located in possession of a large knife.  On 16 April 2024, CCTV observed a male fighting with a hammer.	Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Alice Springs High Risk Area.  Previous operations in the Alice Springs High Risk Area have led to the detection and seizure of

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<b>Tennant Creek High Risk Area</b>	From 2:00pm 26 April until 2:00am 27 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a controlled weapon.	On 21 December 2023, two victims were stabbed with a knife.	<p>The use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Tennant Creek High Risk Area.</p> <p>The Tennant Creek High Risk Area is a high pedestrian traffic area with a number of licenced premises.</p>
<b>Palmerston High Risk Area</b>	From 2:00pm 26 April until 2:00am 27 April 2024.	In the previous 6 months: An offence was committed by a person armed with a firearm, controlled or prohibited weapon; A violent offence was committed; More than 1 weapon possession offence was committed.	<p>On 6 March 2024, a male was armed with a hunting knife in a public place.</p> <p>On 27 February 2024, a Security Guard was threatened with a knife.</p>	<p>Given recent incidents, the use of hand held scanners is considered likely to assist police to detect and deter those who may carry weapons in the Palmerston High Risk Area.</p> <p>This is a high pedestrian traffic area, with members of the public engaging in business and recreation activity.</p>

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