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### 12. MOVABLE HERITAGE

The Movable heritage refers to objects in a collection or remnant objects at a place that qualify as objects of cultural significance. Such objects are capable of demonstrating a previous era or way of life and cogently express that period's ideas and ideals through the way in which the objects have come together or the materials and technology used to manufacture, make or fabricate them. Generally, movable heritage is considered significant if one or more of the following applies; (1) Importance to the evolution of cultural landscapes eg farm machinery;

(2) Importance to the human occupation of a region eg objects of transport; (3) Importance in demonstrating a distinctive way of life, custom, process, land use, function or design no longer practised, in danger of being lost, or of exceptional interest eg Aboriginal tools; (4) Importance in contributing to a wider understanding of natural history eg fossils; (5) Importance in contributing to a wider understanding of the history of human occupation in Australia eg archaeological objects; (6) Importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a range of human activities

in the Australian environment, including way of life, philosophy, custom, process, land use, function, design or technique; (7) Importance to a community for aesthetic reasons; (8) Importance for their technical, creative, design or artistic excellence, innovation or achievement; (9) Importance to a community for reasons of religious, spiritual, cultural, educational or social associations; (10) Importance for their close association with individuals whose activities have been significant in history.