

## **Assessment Criteria from the Heritage Act**

### **11. Meaning of *heritage assessment criteria***

The *heritage assessment criteria* for a place or object are as follows:

(a) whether it is important to the course, or pattern, of the Territory's cultural or natural history;

(b) whether it possesses uncommon, rare or endangered aspects of the Territory's cultural or natural history;

(c) whether it has potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of the Territory's cultural or natural history;

(d) whether it is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a class of cultural or natural places or environments;

(e) whether it is important in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics;

(f) whether it is important in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement during a

particular period;

(g) whether it has a strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons, including the significance of a place to Aboriginal people as part of their continuing and developing cultural traditions;

(h) whether it has a special association with the life or works of a person, or group of persons, of importance in the Territory's history.

*Note for section 11.*

*Under section 24, the heritage assessment criteria are applied to assess the heritage significance of a place or object to decide whether or not to declare the place or object a heritage place or object.*