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This Determination, to the extent that it is capable of being a 'public ruling' in terms of Part IVAAA of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953*, is a public ruling for the purposes of that Part . Taxation Ruling TR 92/1 explains when a Determination is a public ruling and how it is binding on the Commissioner. Unless otherwise stated, this Determination applies to years commencing both before and after its date of issue. However, this Determination does not apply to taxpayers to the extent that it conflicts with the terms of a settlement of a dispute agreed to before the date of issue of the Determination (see paragraphs 21 and 22 of Taxation Ruling TR 92/20).

## Taxation Determination

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1. Yes. Subsection 36(3) and section 36AAA provide concessions to a taxpayer where, in consequence of the loss or destruction of pastures or fodder by reason of drought, the taxpayer disposes of livestock that is an asset of a business of primary production. The fact that the disposal takes place after the withdrawal of the official drought declaration for the area does not change the fact that the disposal is a result of the loss of pasture or fodder. Consequently, providing that the other requirements of the legislation are satisfied, the taxpayer would be entitled to the concessions available under subsection 36(3) or section 36AAA.

2. It is a question of fact whether the disposal is a consequence of the loss of pasture or fodder by reason of drought.

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