

# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No. 0557** 

2. NAME State Battery, Coolgardie (1904)

3. LOCATION Battery Road, Coolgardie

# 4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

Ngalbain Location 67, being Crown Reserve 9435 and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3081 Folio 367.

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Coolgardie

**6. OWNER** Western Australian Mint.

### 7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

•	Register of Heritage Places:	Interim	05/05/1992
		Permanent	22/06/2001
•	National Trust Classification:	Classified	27/10/1976
•	Town Planning Scheme:		
•	Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	27/07/1995
•	Register of the National Estate:	Permanent	21/03/1978

#### 8. CONSERVATION ORDER

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## 9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

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## 10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

State Battery, Coolgardie, comprising a group of single storey and two storey timber and iron framed and corrugated iron clad buildings, and three small brick and corrugated iron buildings, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place, is one of four remaining State Batteries still in operation that were established in various goldfields of Western Australia;

the place is an industrial site, comprising gold processing equipment and buildings, on the outskirts of, and overlooking, the town of Coolgardie. It is a landmark, viewed from the town, and on the road south out of the town, and contributes to the townscape and goldfields character of Coolgardie;

the place provides evidences of the industrial processes of gold extraction, and the technological changes that have taken place over the years to facilitate this continued function;

the place illustrates State Government policy to provide financial assistance to the development of the mining industry in Western Australia in the 1890s and early 1900s;

the place contains examples of buildings associated with goldmining;

the place is highly valued by the Coolgardie community as an identifiable cultural environment associated with the history of the Coolgardie goldfields; and,

the place is valued by the community of Western Australia for its strong association with Coolgardie, a town that has played an important role in the history of the State.

The transportable buildings in the vicinity of the gold room are of no heritage significance.