### NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

## **REAL PROPERTY (UNIT TITLES) ACT**

As in force at 20 May 1998

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### REAL PROPERTY (UNIT TITLES) ACT

### An Act to provide for the registration of unit titles and for other matters

### 1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Real Property (Unit Titles) Act.* 

### 2 Commencement

This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.

### 3 Interpretation

- (1) In this Act *the Principal Act* means the *Real Property Act*.
- (2) Where an expression used in this Act is defined in the *Unit Titles Act*, that expression as so used has the same meaning as in that Act.
- (4) In this Act, *prescribed*, in relation to fees, means prescribed under the *Registration Act*.

### 4 Incorporation with the *Real Property Act*

- (1) This Act is incorporated and shall be read as one with the Principal Act.
- (2) A units plan, units plan of subdivision, units plan of consolidation, notice of conversion, building alteration plan, disclosure statement and every other document or instrument lodged under this Act with the Registrar-General, other than:
  - (a) a certificate under the *Building Act*;
  - (b) a certificate under the *Planning Act*;
  - (c) a resolution of a corporation;
  - (d) the consent of a person having a registered interest in a parcel or unit;

- (e) a certificate of a corporation;
- (f) a notice referred to in section 21E(2)(b) of the *Unit Titles Act*; or
- (g) a certificate referred to in section 21F(d) of the Unit Titles Act,

shall, for the purposes of the Principal Act, be deemed to be an instrument affecting land.

- (3) Sections 267 and 273 of the Principal Act do not apply to or in relation to:
  - (a) a units plan;
  - (b) a units plan of subdivision;
  - (c) units plan of consolidation;
  - (d) a notice of conversion;
  - (e) a building alteration plan;
  - (f) a prescribed application form;
  - (g) a notice under section 16(1);
  - (h) a disclosure statement; or
  - (j) a copy of a court order,

lodged under this Act with the Registrar-General.

# 5 When units plan and other instruments deemed to be registered

For the purposes of the Principal Act and of this Act:

- (a) a units plan, units plan of subdivision, units plan of consolidation, notice of conversion or building alteration plan shall be deemed to be registered when the Registrar-General has endorsed on it the date and time of registration and the number allotted to it and has affixed his seal; and
- (b) every other document or instrument relating to a plan or notice referred to in paragraph (a) lodged under this Act with the Registrar-General shall be deemed to be registered when a memorial relating to the document or instrument is endorsed on or annexed to the plan or notice.

## Part II Registration of units plan

### 6 Definition

In this Part *unit*, in relation to a condominium development, includes so much of the parcel the subject of the condominium development as is not a unit or common property in a registered units plan in respect of a completed stage of the condominium development.

### 6A Formal requirements

A units plan shall be in accordance with the prescribed form and requirements.

### 7 Registration of units plan

- (1) The Registrar-General must, after payment of the prescribed fee and lodgement with the Registrar-General within the period referred to in section 21 of the *Unit Titles Act* of:
  - (a) an application in accordance with the prescribed form;
  - (b) 3 copies of the units plan complying with section 6A and endorsed under section 20 of the *Unit Titles Act* by the Minister;
  - (c) the certificate as to title for the relevant parcel or, in relation to an application in respect of the second or subsequent stage of a condominium development, the certificate as to title for the relevant unit; and
  - (d) the written consent, in accordance with the prescribed form, to the registration of the units plan of every person, other than the Crown, having a registered estate or interest in the parcel,

register the units plan.

- (2) The registered proprietor of an estate or interest in a parcel of land to which a units plan lodged under subsection (1) after the commencement of the *Real Property (Unit Titles) Amendment Act 1998* relates is to be taken to have consented for the purposes of subsection (1)(d) to the registration of the units plan if:
  - (a) the units plan relates to a second or subsequent stage of a condominium or estate development, the first stage of which has been, before or after the commencement of the *Real Property (Unit Titles) Amendment Act 1998*, registered;

- (b) he or she gave written consent for the purposes of section 11(3) of the *Unit Titles Act* to the proposed subdivision to which the units plan relates; or
- (c) he or she became the registered proprietor of the estate or interest after the registration of a disclosure statement under section 9J in relation to the condominium or estate development to which the units plan relates.

### 8 Effect of registration of units plan on interests in parcel

- (1) If, immediately before the registration of a units plan, a person was the proprietor of a registered interest in:
  - (a) in the case of a units plan relating to a second or subsequent stage of a condominium development – a unit included as described in section 6; and
  - (b) in any other case the parcel,

he shall be deemed to be, on the registration of the units plan, the proprietor of a registered interest in each unit, as if:

- (c) on the date on which the memorandum creating the firstmentioned registered interest was executed, the registered proprietor had been the proprietor of all the units and that memorandum had, as the case required, been executed by him accordingly; and
- (d) the first-mentioned registered interest had been a registered interest of all the units and not of the parcel or unit, as the case may be.
- (2) If, immediately before the registration of a units plan, a person was the registered proprietor of an easement over portion of the parcel, he shall be deemed to be, on the registration of the units plan, the proprietor of an easement over so much of the land comprised in the common property and each unit as was affected by the firstmentioned easement; as if:
  - (a) on the date on which the memorandum creating the firstmentioned easement was executed, the proprietor or the lessee of the parcel on that date had been the proprietor or the lessee of the common property and the unit or units, as the case may be, and that memorandum had been executed by him accordingly; and
  - (b) the first-mentioned easement had been an easement over the common property or the unit or units, as the case may be, and not over that portion of the parcel.

- (3) If, immediately before the registration of a units plan the registered proprietor of the parcel was, in respect of that parcel, the proprietor of an easement over any other land, upon the registration of the units plan:
  - (a) each proprietor of a unit shall be the proprietor of that easement in respect of his unit; and
  - (b) the proprietor of the common property shall be the proprietor of that easement in respect of the common property,

as a dominant tenement, notwithstanding that the units or common property may not be contiguous with the servient tenement.

- (4) On and after the registration of a units plan, the memorandum of a registered interest referred to in subsection (1) and the memoranda of easements referred to in sub-sections (2) and (3) and any instrument or other document relating to the parcel or the lease of the parcel or to that registered interest or easement shall be deemed to be modified in such manner as is necessary to give effect to subsections (1), (2) and (3).
- (5) In this section:
  - (aa) except in subsection (1)(b), *parcel* includes a unit referred to in subsection (1)(a);
  - (a) **registered proprietor of an easement** and **proprietor of an easement** include a person in whose favour an easement is reserved on a registered lease or certificate as to title; and
  - (b) a reference to a memorandum creating an easement and the date of its execution includes a reference to the reservation of an easement on a registered lease or certificate as to title, and the date of that reservation.

### 9 Duties of registrar-general after registration of units plan

Immediately after the registration of a units plan, the Registrar-General shall:

- (a) in the case of a units plan that does not relate to a second or subsequent completed stage of a condominium development:
  - (i) cancel the certificate as to title; and
  - (ii) issue to the relevant corporation a certificate as to title for the common property in accordance with the prescribed form;

- (b) in the case of a units plan relating to a second or subsequent completed stage of a condominium development – cancel the certificate of title and the duplicate of that certificate for the unit (other than a unit in a previously completed stage of the condominium development) held by the developer;
- (c) issue, in accordance with the prescribed form, a certificate as to title for each unit to the person who, by force of section 23 of the *Unit Titles Act*, is the proprietor of the unit;
- (d) in the case of a units plan relating to any completed stage of a condominium development issue to the developer a certificate as to title for the unit comprising the balance, if any, of the parcel;
- (da) enter on each certificate as to title issued a memorial of any registered interest to which, by force of section 8, or by force of section 23 of the *Unit Titles Act*, the unit is subject and, if it is subject to 2 or more registered interests, enter the memorials in such manner as to preserve their priority;
- (e) enter on the registered instrument evidencing or creating such a registered interest and on its duplicate copy a memorial that it has effect in accordance with section 8 or in accordance with section 23 of the *Unit Titles Act*, as the case may be;
- (ea) where the units plan relates to a completed stage of a condominium development record that fact in such manner as he thinks fit on the units plan and on each certificate as to title issued under this section as a result of its registration;
- (f) enter on a certificate as to title issued under this section a memorial of any easement in respect of which, by force of section 8(3), the unit and the common property are the dominant tenements;
- (g) enter on the lease or certificate as to title of the servient tenement, and the registered instrument evidencing or creating the easement, a memorial that the easement has effect in accordance with section 8(3); and
- (h) deliver a copy of the units plan to the appli-cant or person entitled to it and another copy to the council for the council area (within the meaning of the *Local Government Act*) in which the parcel is situated or, if the parcel is not situated in a council area, to the Minister.

# Part IIA Registration of units plan of sub-division, units plan of consolidation, &c.

### 9A Formal requirements

A units plan of subdivision, units plan of consolidation, notice of conversion or building alteration plan shall be in accordance with the prescribed form and requirements.

### 9B Registration of units plan of subdivision and consolidation

The Registrar-General shall, on lodgement with him of:

- (a) an application in the prescribed form;
- (b) 3 copies of the units plan of subdivision or units plan of consolidation in accordance with Part IIIA of the *Unit Titles Act* and section 9A of this Act;
- (c) the certificate as to title for the relevant unit or units;
- (d) in the case of a units plan of subdivision the certificate or certificates required by section 21B(2)(c) of the Unit Titles Act to accompany the units plan of subdivision;
- (e) a certified copy of the unanimous resolution of the corporation referred to in section 21A(b)(i) of the *Unit Titles Act*;
- (f) the written consents referred to in section 21A(b)(ii) of the *Unit Titles Act*;
- (g) the duplicate copy of every instrument evidencing or creating an estate or interest in the units subdivided or consolidated to which a consent referred to in paragraph (f) relates;
- (h) the certificate of the corporation under section 21D(b) of the *Unit Titles Act*; and
- (j) in the case of a subdivision, a certificate of a licensed surveyor referred to in section 21B(2)(b) of the *Unit Titles Act*,

register the units plan of subdivision or units plan of consolidation.

### 9C Registration of notice of conversion

The Registrar-General shall, after payment of the prescribed fee and lodgement with the Registrar-General of:

- (a) 3 copies of the notice of conversion executed in accordance with section 21E of the *Unit Titles Act* and in accordance with section 9A of this Act;
- (b) the certificates as to title for the relevant units;
- (c) the discharge or surrender of all registered interests, other than easements, as referred to in section 21E(2)(a) of the Unit Titles Act;
- (d) a certified copy of the notice referred to in section 21E(2)(b) of the Unit Titles Act;
- (e) a certified copy of the unanimous resolution of the corporation referred to in section 21A(b)(i) of the *Unit Titles Act*;
- (f) the certificate of the corporation under section 21D(b) of the *Unit Titles Act*; and
- (g) the written consents referred to in section 21A(b)(ii) of the *Unit Titles Act*,

register the notice of conversion.

### 9D Registration of building alteration plan

The Registrar-General shall, after payment of the prescribed fee and lodgement with the Registrar-General within the period referred to in section 21F of the *Unit Titles Act*, of:

- (a) an application in the prescribed form;
- (b) 3 copies of the building alteration plan in accordance with section 21F of the Unit Titles Act and in accordance with section 9A of this Act;
- (c) the certificate as to title for the relevant unit;
- (d) a certificate of a licensed surveyor referred to in section 21F(d) of the *Unit Titles Act*;
- (e) a certified copy of the unanimous resolution by the corporation referred to in section 21A(b)(i) of the *Unit Titles Act*;
- (f) the relevant certificate under section 40 of the *Building Act*; and

(g) the written consents referred to in section 21A(b)(ii) of the *Unit Titles Act*,

register the building alteration plan.

# 9E Effect of registration of units plan of subdivision and consolidation of interests in units

- (1) If, immediately before the registration of a units plan of subdivision or a units plan of consolidation a person was the proprietor of a registered interest in the unit or units affected by the subdivision or consolidation, he shall be deemed to be, on that registration, the proprietor of a registered interest in the subdivided units or consolidated unit, as the case may be, as if:
  - (a) on the date on which the memorandum creating the firstmentioned registered interest was executed, the registered proprietor had been the proprietor of the subdivided units or consolidated unit, and that memorandum had been executed by him accordingly; and
  - (b) the first-mentioned registered interest had been a registered interest of the subdivided units or consolidated unit.
- (2) If, immediately before the registration of a units plan of subdivision or units plan of consolidation, a person was the registered proprietor of an easement over portion of the common property or unit being subdivided or units being consolidated, he shall be deemed to be, on the registration of the units plan of subdivision or units plan of consolidation, the proprietor of an easement over so much of the land comprised in the new unit or units as was affected by the first-mentioned easement, as if:
  - (a) on the date on which the memorandum creating the firstmentioned easement was executed, the proprietor or the lessee of the common property or unit being subdivided or units being consolidated on that date had been the proprietor or the lessee of the new unit or units, and that memorandum had been executed by him accordingly; and
  - (b) the first-mentioned easement had been an easement over the new unit or units, and not over the common property or unit being sub-divided or units being consolidated.
- (3) If, immediately before the registration of a units plan of subdivision or units plan of consolidation, the registered proprietor of the common property or unit being subdivided or units being consolidated was, in respect of that land, the proprietor of an easement over any other land, upon the registration of the units plan of subdivision or units plan of consolidation, each proprietor of

a unit shall be the proprietor of that easement in respect of his unit as a dominant tenement, notwithstanding that the unit may not be contiguous with the servient tenement.

- (4) On and after the registration of a units plan of subdivision or units plan of consolidation, the memorandum of registered interest referred to in subsection (1) and the memorandum of easements referred to in subsections (2) and (3) and any instrument or other document relating to the common property or unit being subdivided or units being consolidated or the lease of the common property or unit being subdivided or units being consolidated or to that registered interest or easement shall be deemed to be modified in such manner as is necessary to give effect to subsections (1), (2) and (3).
- (5) In this section:
  - (a) **registered proprietor of an easement** and p**roprietor of an easement** include a person in whose favour an easement is reserved on a registered lease or folio of the Register; and
  - (b) a reference to a memorandum creating an easement and the date of its execution includes a reference to the reservation of an easement on a registered lease or folio of the Register, and the date of that reservation.

# 9F Duties of the Registrar-General after registration of units plan of subdivision or consolidation

Immediately after registration of the units plan of subdivision or consolidation the Registrar-General shall:

- (a) cancel the folio or folios of the Register for the relevant unit or units;
- (b) issue, in accordance with the prescribed form, a certificate as to title for each unit to the person who, by force of section 23 of the *Unit Titles Act*, is the proprietor of the unit;
- (c) enter on each relevant certificate as to title so issued a memorial of any registered interest to which, by force of section 9E, the unit is subject and, if it is subject to 2 or more registered interests, enter the memorials in such manner as to preserve their priority;
- (d) enter on the instrument evidencing or creating such interests and on its duplicate copy a memorial that it has effect in accordance with section 9E;

- (e) enter on the folio of the Register issued under this section a memorial of any registered interest in respect of which, by force of section 9E(3), the unit is the dominant tenement;
- (f) enter on the lease or folio of the Register of the servient tenement and the registered instrument evidencing or creating the registered interest a memorial that the registered interest has effect in accordance with section 9E(3); and
- (g) deliver a copy of the units plan of subdivision or units plan of consolidation to the applicant or the person entitled to it and another copy to the council for the council area (within the meaning of the *Local Government Act*) in which the relevant unit, is or units are situated or, if the unit is not or units are not situated in a council area, to the Minister.

# 9G Duties of Registrar-General after registration of notice of conversion

Immediately after the registration of a notice of conversion referred to in section 9C, the Registrar-General shall:

- (a) cancel the folio or folios of the Register comprising the converted unit or units and the duplicate of the certificate or those certificates; and
- (b) deliver a copy of the notice of conversion and a copy of the schedule of unit entitlements to the applicant or the person entitled to it and another copy of both those documents to the council for the council area (within the meaning of the Local Government Act) in which the unit is, or units are, situated or if the unit is not or units are not situated in a council area, to the Minister.

# 9H Duties of the Registrar-General after registration of building alteration plan

Immediately after the registration of a building alteration plan referred to in section 9D, the Registrar-General shall:

- (a) make on the relevant record in the Register and units plan such record of the building alteration plan as he thinks fit; and
- (b) deliver a copy of the building alteration plan to the applicant or to the person entitled to it and another copy to the council for the council area (within the meaning of the *Local Government Act*) in which the unit is situated or, if the unit is not situated in a council area, to the Minister.

# Part IIB Registration of disclosure statement and variation

### 9J Registration of disclosure statement

The Registrar-General shall, after payment of the prescribed fee and lodgement with him, in accordance with section 26E(1) or 26T(1) of the *Unit Titles Act*, of a copy of a disclosure statement, register it in the folio in the Register comprising the parcel or the Crown lease, and, except in the case of a disclosure statement relating to an estate development of a Crown lease, on each folio of the Register for the unit comprising the balance of the parcel as the condominium or estate development proposal proceeds, showing the date and time it was lodged.

### 9K Variation of disclosure statement

The Registrar-General shall, after payment of the prescribed fee and lodgement with the Registrar-General of the disclosure statement referred to in section 26J(2)(a), 26U(5) or 26W(2)(a) of the *Unit Titles Act*, a notice in writing in pursuance of section 26J(3)or 26W(4) or an instrument of approval or order of the Court referred to in section 26U(5) or 26W(5), as the case may be of that Act, of the Minister's approval of that disclosure statement, replace the original disclosure statement with the disclosure statement so lodged and cause to be made in the Register Book such notations as he thinks fit to record that fact.

### Part III Cancellation and alteration of units plan

### 10 Registration of order for cancellation of units plan

On the lodgment with the Registrar-General of an office copy of a final order made by the Court under section 95 of the *Unit Titles Act* for the cancellation of a units plan, together with the prescribed fee, the Registrar-General shall register the order.

### 11 Effect of cancellation of units plan on interests

(1) If, immediately before the registration of an order for the cancellation of a units plan, a person was the registered proprietor of a mortgage of a unit, that person shall be deemed to be, on the registration of the order, the registered proprietor of a mortgage of the share in the estate, or a mortgage of the whole estate, as the case may be (which share or estate is in this subsection called *the interest*) vested by section 96(1)(d) of the *Unit Titles Act* in the person who was the proprietor of the unit as if:

- (a) on the date on which the memorandum creating the firstmentioned mortgage was executed, the mortgagor had been the registered proprietor of the interest so vested and that memorandum had been executed by him accordingly; and
- (b) the first-mentioned mortgage had been a mortgage of the interest so vested and not of the unit.
- (2) If, immediately before the registration of an order for the cancellation of a units plan, a person was the registered proprietor of an easement over portion of the common property or of a unit or units, he shall be deemed to be, on the registration of the order, the registered proprietor of an easement over so much of the land comprised in the units plan as was affected by the first-mentioned easement, as if:
  - (a) on the date on which the memorandum creating the firstmentioned easement was executed the proprietor of the common property and the proprietor or proprietors of that unit or units had been the registered proprietors or proprietor of the estate referred to in section 96(1)(d) of the Unit Titles Act, and that memorandum had been executed by them or him accordingly; and
  - (b) the first-mentioned easement had been an easement over that land and not over that portion of the common property or of the unit or units.
- (3) If, immediately before the registration of an order for the cancellation of a units plan a unit was a dominant tenement in relation to an easement by force of section 8(3), on the registration of the order the whole of the land comprised in the parcel shall be the dominant tenement in relation to that easement.
- (4) On and after the registration of the order for the cancellation of the units plan, the memorandum of mortgage referred to in subsection (1) and the memorandum of easement referred to in subsections (2) and (3) and any instrument or other document relating to the relevant unit or units or of the common property or to that mortgage or easement shall be deemed to be modified in such a manner as is necessary to give effect to sub-sections (1), (2) and (3).

### 12 Duties of Registrar-General upon registration of order

- (1) Immediately after the registration of an order for the cancellation of a units plan, the Registrar-General shall:
  - (a) cancel the units plan;

- (b) cancel the folio of the Register for each unit and for the common property;
- subject to subsection (2), issue to the person in whom a share in the estate, or the whole estate, as the case may be, is vested by section 96(1)(d) of the *Unit Titles Act* a certificate as to title for that share or estate;
- (d) enter on each folio of the Register so issued a memorial of any mortgage or easement to which, by force of section 11, the land is subject and, if it is subject to 2 or more mortgages or easements, enter the memorials in such manner as to preserve their priority; and
- (e) enter on the registered instrument evidencing or creating such a mortgage or easement and on its duplicate copy a memorial that it has effect in accordance with section 11.
- (2) The Registrar-General may, in his absolute discretion refuse to issue a certificate as to title if documents as required by the Registrar-General are not lodged with the Registrar-General by the proprietor of a unit.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not prevent the issue of a certificate as to title in a case where the Registrar-General has dispensed with, or has been ordered by the Court to dispense with, the lodgment of a document referred to in that subsection.
- (4) The Registrar-General shall cancel a certificate as to title lodged with him under subsection (2).

### 13 Registration of order for alteration of units plan

On the lodgment with the Registrar-General of an office copy of an order made by the Court under section 99 of the *Unit Titles Act* for the alteration of a units plan, together with a copy of the schedule of unit entitlement altered in accordance with the order, together with the prescribed fee, the Registrar-General shall register those documents.

# 14. Duties of Registrar-General on registration of order for alteration of units plan

Immediately after the registration of an order for the alteration of a units plan, the Registrar-General shall:

(a) cancel the folio of the Register and the certificate as to title for the unit the title of which has been determined; and

(b) enter on the units plan such memorials as are necessary to give effect to the order.

# 15 Registrar-General to give notice of cancellation or alteration of units plan

Immediately after the registration of an order for the cancellation or alteration of a units plan, the Registrar-General shall give written notice of the registration of the order to the Municipal Council for the council area (within the meaning of the *Local Government Act*) in which the parcel is situated, or if the parcel is not situated in a council area, the Registrar-General shall give the written notice to the Minister.

### **15A** Cancellation of units plan by consent

- (1) The Registrar-General shall, as soon as practicable after receiving an application under section 95A(2) of the *Unit Titles Act*, by notice in the *Gazette* and in a newspaper circulating in the area in which the parcel is situated, advise that an application for the cancellation of the units plan to which the application relates has been received and invite any person who claims to have a legal or equitable interest in the parcel or a unit and who objects to the proposed cancellation to lodge with the Registrar-General, within 28 days after the publication of the later of those 2 notices, an objection in the prescribed form.
- (2) The Registrar-General may, as soon as practicable after the time limited by subsection (1) for the lodging of objections with him and on being satisfied that the proprietors of the units unanimously agree to the proposed cancellation of the units plan and that no objections have been received from persons with a legal or equitable interest in the parcel or a unit, register the application.
- (3) This Part, with the necessary changes, applies to and in relation to the registration under this section of an application as if the application were a final order of the Court made under section 95 of the *Unit Titles Act* and all rights, titles, duties, obligations and interest in or in relation to the land comprised in the parcel shall be construed accordingly.

## Part IV Miscellaneous

### 16 Change of address for service of documents

(1) Where the address for service of documents shown on a units plan, or a folio of the Register for common property, is changed, the corporation shall, in accordance with the prescribed form, together with the prescribed fee, give notice of the change to the Registrar-General.

Penalty: \$1,000.

(2) On receipt of a notice under subsection (1), the Registrar-General shall endorse on the units plan or, if he thinks fit, on the folio of the Register for the common property, a memorial of the change of address.

### 17 Registration of alteration of articles

On the lodgment with the Registrar-General of a copy of a special resolution, certified under the seal of the corporation as a true copy of the resolution, altering the articles of the corporation, together with the prescribed fee, the Registrar-General shall register the resolution in such manner as he thinks fit on the folio of the Register and the certificate as to title for the common property.

## 18 Registrar-General to register appointment, &c., of administrator

On the lodgment with the Registrar-General of an office copy of an order made by the Court under Part VII of the *Unit Titles Act* appointing, removing or replacing an administrator of a corporation, together with the prescribed fee, the Registrar-General shall register the order in such manner as he thinks fit on the folio of the Register and the certificate as to title for the common property.

# 19 No dealings while application for cancellation or alteration of units plan is pending

- (1) Where a copy of an application made to the Court under section 95 or 98 of the *Unit Titles Act* is served on the Registrar-General, the Registrar-General shall register the copy of the application and shall enter on the units plan a memorial that the application has been made.
- (2) On the service on the Registrar-General of an office copy of an order for the cancellation of a units plan, of an order for the alteration of a units plan or of an order dismissing an application for such an order, the Registrar-General shall enter on the units plan a further memorial stating the effect of the order.
- (3) After a memorial is entered on a units plan under subsection (1), and until a further memorial is entered on the units plan under subsection (2), the Registrar-General shall not, except in accordance with an order of the Court, register any instrument:
  - (a) in the case of an application for an order for the cancellation of the units plan affecting a unit; or

(b) in the case of an application for an order for the alteration of the units plan providing for the elimination of a unit – affecting that unit.

### 20 Withdrawal of units plan

- (1) At any time after the lodgment with the Registrar-General of an application for the registration of a units plan and before the units plan is registered, the applicant may apply in writing to the Registrar-General for the withdrawal of the application for registration.
- (2) The Registrar-General shall, on the receipt of an application under subsection (1), endorse the appli-cation for the registration of the units plan as being withdrawn and deliver to the applicant the documents lodged under section 7.

### 21 **Provisions applicable in relation to trusts**

- (1) Where, immediately before the registration of a units plan, the proprietor held the parcel as trustee, that person shall, upon the registration of the units plan, hold the units defined in the units plan in trust for the persons for whom, and the purposes for which, the parcel was so held.
- (2) Where, immediately before the registration of an order for the cancellation of a units plan, the proprietor of a unit held the unit as trustee, that person shall, upon the registration of the order, hold the share in the estate, or the whole estate, as the case may be, of which he becomes possessed under section 96 of the Unit Titles Act in trust for the persons for whom, and the purposes for which, the unit was so held.

### 22 Delivery to Registrar-General of duplicate certificates of title

- (1) The Registrar-General may, by notice in writing, require a person having in his possession, custody or control the duplicate certificate of title for a unit the title of which has been determined to deliver it, within a time specified in the notice, to the Registrar-General for cancellation.
- (2) A person who fails to comply with a requirement made under subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and is punishable, on being found guilty, by a fine not exceeding \$200.

### 23 Regulations

The Administrator may make regulations, not inconsistent with this Act, prescribing matters:

- (a) required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed; or
- (b) necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Act,

and in particular prescribing:

- (c) fees and charges in relation to an act or thing under this Act; and
- (d) forms to be used.

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### **ENDNOTES**

Key to abbreviations

amd = amended
app = appendix
bl = by-law
ch = Chapter
cl = clause
div = Division
exp = expires/expired
f = forms
Gaz = Gazette
hdg = heading
ins = inserted
lt = long title
nc = not commenced

od = order om = omitted pt = Part r = regulation/rule rem = remainder renum = renumbered rep = repealed s = section sch = Schedule sdiv = Subdivision SL = Subordinate Legislation sub = substituted

### 2 LIST OF LEGISLATION

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Real Property (Unit Titles) Ordinance 1975 (Act No. 18, 1976)		
Assent date	2 April 1976	
Commenced	29 October 1976 ( <i>Gaz</i> No. 44, 29 October 1976, p 1308)	

#### Real Property (Unit Titles) Ordinance 1976 (Act No. 47, 1976)

Assent date 29 October 1976 Commenced 29 October 1976

Transfer of Powers Self-Government) Ordinance 1978 (Act No. 54, 1978)

Assent date	1 July 1978
Commenced	1 July 1978 (s 2)

### Real Property (Unit Titles) Amendment Act 1986 (Act No. 25, 1986)

Assent date Commenced

#### 30 June 1986 23 December 1987 (s 2, s 2 *Unit Titles Amendment Act 1986* (Act No. 24, 1986) and *Gaz* S82, 23 December 1987)

Real Property (Consequential Amendments) Act 1991 (Act No. 33, 1991)

 Assent date
 25 June 1991

 Commenced
 1 October 1991 (Gaz S49, 1 October 1991)

### Registration (Consequential Amendments) Act 1991 (Act No. 55, 1991)

Assent date26 September 1991Commenced1 January 1992 (s 2, s 2 Registration Amendment Act 1991<br/>(Act No. 54, 1991) and Gaz G49, 11 December 1991, p 4)

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#### Statute Law (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 1991 (Act No. 77, 1991)

Assent date	16 December 199
Commenced	16 December 199

Real Property (Unit Titles) Amendment Act 1993 (Act No. 64, 1993)				
Assent date		3 November 1993		
Commenced		1 June 1993 (s 2, s 2 <i>Unit Titles Amendment Act 1993</i> (Act		
		No. 9, 1993) and <i>Gaz</i> G26, 30 June 1993, p 4)		
Local Governi	ment (Consequ	iential Amendments) Act 1993 (Act No. 84, 1993)		
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Comm	enced	1 June 1994 (s 2, s 2 <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> (Act		
		No. 83, 1993) and <i>Gaz</i> S35, 20 May 1994)		
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Assent	date	19 April 1996		
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		<i>Act 1995</i> (Act No. 39, 1995) and <i>Gaz</i> S15, 13 June 1996)		
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