

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

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As in force at 1 July 1999

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Regulations under the *Water Supply and Sewerage Act*

1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Water Supply and Sewerage Regulations*.

2 Definitions

In these Regulations, unless the contrary intention appears:

fitting means a soil type fitting cleansed by a flushing device and includes a closet pan, urinal stall, pan washer or sterilizer, slop hopper, napkin disposal unit, floor waste, camp or caravan park sewage dump point and each 600 mm of continuous trough or slab for use as a urinal.

3 Accuracy of meter

The prescribed tolerance in the accuracy of the performance of a meter installed under the Act on land or at a location to which the Authority's water supply service is made available is $\pm 2\%$.

3A Charges for sewerage service

- (2) The Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*, fix charges for sewerage services to land to which they are made available and the periods to which those charges relate.
- (2A) Where before the expiration of the period for which a charge was fixed under subregulation (2) (***the expired period***) the Minister had not, under that subregulation, fixed in respect of a period next following the expired period a charge for sewerage services to land to which they are made available, he shall, for the purposes of this regulation and regulation 3B(2), be deemed to have fixed a period of the same duration as the expired period commencing on that expiration, and to have fixed the same charges as those fixed in respect of the expired period, as the period and charges under subregulation (2).

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- (3) Where the Minister fixes a charge and a period under subregulation (2) the charge so fixed is the charge payable for the service during that period.

3C Water charges

- (1) The charge for the supply of water through a meter referred to in section 27 of the Act on or after 1 July 1999 is \$0.80 per kilolitre.
- (2) The charge for the supply of water to an automatic fire sprinkler system that is not supplied through a meter is \$200 per annum.

4 Pro rata sewerage charges

- (1) For the purposes of section 33(7)(h) of the Act, pro rata sewerage charges shall be calculated by multiplying the amount of the charge by the fraction formed by the number of days in the charge period after the date when the sewerage service first became available divided by the number of days in the charge period.
- (2) Where a sewerage service first becomes available during a charge period, the amount calculated under subregulation (1) is the charge for the service during that period and is payable in advance.

6 Permit to carry out work

The prescribed details of a plan under section 39(3) of the Act submitted with an application for a permit to carry out work are:

- (a) a site plan to scale 1:500;
- (b) an architectural floor plan; and
- (c) details of floor levels and levels of external finished surfaces.

7 Estimates of costs of connections, &c.

An application under section 74(1) of the Act for assistance to pay for work or repairs shall be accompanied by at least 2 estimates furnished by licensed persons which set out the total cost of carrying out the work or repairs.

8 Loan not to exceed proportion of estimated cost

A loan offered by the Authority under section 74(3)(a) of the Act shall not exceed 85% of total estimated cost of carrying out the work or repairs furnished under regulation 6.

9 Period, &c., of loan

- (1) Where an applicant accepts the offer of a loan and enters into an agreement with the Authority under section 74(4) of the Act:
 - (a) the principal shall be repaid in quarterly instalments that are, as near as practicable, equal, being:
 - (i) where the loan does not exceed \$2,000 – not more than 20 instalments;
 - (ii) where the loan exceeds \$2,000 but does not exceed \$5,000 – not more than 30 instalments; and
 - (iii) where the loan exceeds \$5,000 – not more than 40 instalments; and
 - (b) the loan shall be subject to interest calculated in accordance with subregulation (2) payable in quarterly instalments and charged at the rate per centum equal to the average rate paid at the date of the agreement by the Treasurer to the Commonwealth plus 1%.
- (2) The interest referred to in subregulation (1)(b) shall be calculated in advance on the balance of the loan including arrears of interest, if any, remaining unpaid at each quarterly instalment date.

10 Fees

- (1) The fee payable for reading a meter on the request of the owner of the land to which water is supplied through the meter is \$50.
- (2) The fee for a matter or service specified in Column 2 of Schedule 1 in relation to the section of the Act specified opposite in Column 1 is the fee specified in relation to the matter or service in Column 3.
- (3) In Schedule 1, **cost of travel** means the amount calculated in accordance with Schedule 2 in respect of the matter or service specified in Column 2 of Schedule 1 to which it relates.
- (4) In Schedules 1 and 2, **business hours** means the period between 8.00 am and 4.30 pm inclusive.

Schedule 1 Fees

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Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Section of Act	Matter or service	Fee
section 15	Application for sewerage service to land	nil
section 16	Application for installation of service pipe to supply water to land:	
	(a) if pipe size equal to or less than 25mm	\$140 plus the cost of travel
	(b) if pipe size exceeds 25mm but does not exceed 50mm	\$175 plus the cost of travel
	(c) if pipe size exceeds 50mm but does not exceed 100 mm	\$275 plus the cost of travel
	(d) if pipe size exceeds 100mm but does not exceed 150 mm	\$300 plus the cost of travel
	(e) if pipe size exceeds 150mm	\$350 plus the cost of travel
section 17	Application for supply of water service to land to which a service pipe has been installed	\$55 plus the cost of travel
section 18(3) and (4)	Inspection of pumping installation after defects of bore installation connection to water supply service remedied	\$140 plus the cost of travel
	Fee for each subsequent inspection if further defects apparent	\$95 plus

section 25	Application for re-connection of water supply or removal of device restricting supply of water:	
	(a) if re-connection or removal of restriction will occur within business hours	\$55 plus the cost of travel
	(b) if re-connection or removal of restriction will occur outside business hours	\$70 plus the cost of travel
section 26(5)	Application for testing of meter:	
	(a) if meter size equal to or less than 25 mm	\$165 plus the cost of travel
	(b) if meter size exceeds 25 mm	\$235 plus the cost of travel
section 47(3)	Request to enter into trade waste agreement	\$100
section 69(3)	Copy of or extract from plan:	
	(a) size A4 per page	\$1.00
	(b) other size per page	\$2.00

Schedule 2 Cost of travel

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The cost of travel is the sum of the amounts payable, if any, for each of the following:

	Within business hours	Outside business hours
(a) cost of labour during travelling time after the first hour	\$60 per hour	\$85 per hour
(b) cost of motor vehicle if necessary to travel to a place that is more than 50km:	NT Fleet charge out rates plus 15c per km if vehicle weight is less than 2t or 20c per km if vehicle weight is 2t or more	NT Fleet charge out rates plus 15c per km if vehicle weight is less than 2t or 20c per km if vehicle weight is 2t or more
(i) if travelling from Darwin – from the GPO in Darwin; or		
(ii) if travelling from Katherine, Tennant Creek or Alice Springs – from the PO in that place		
(c) travel allowance	actual cost	actual cost
(d) cost of air travel	actual cost	actual cost

ENDNOTES
1 KEY

Key to abbreviations

amd = amended	od = order
app = appendix	om = omitted
bl = by-law	pt = Part
ch = Chapter	r = regulation/rule
cl = clause	rem = remainder
div = Division	renum = renumbered
exp = expires/expired	rep = repealed
f = forms	s = section
Gaz = Gazette	sch = Schedule
hdg = heading	sdiv = Subdivision
ins = inserted	SL = Subordinate Legislation
lt = long title	sub = substituted
nc = not commenced	

2 LIST OF LEGISLATION***Water Supply and Sewerage Regulations (SL No. 20, 1983)***

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Amendments of the Water Supply and Sewerage Regulations (SL No. 20, 1985)

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3 LIST OF AMENDMENTS

- r 2 sub No. 20, 1985, r 3
amd Act No. 69, 1986, s 19
- r 3 amd No. 37, 1987, r 5
- r 3A ins No. 20 1985, r 4
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1988, r 1; Act No. 77, 1991, s 12
- r 3B ins No. 20, 1985, r 4
sub Act No. 69 1986, s 19
amd Act No. 77, 1991, s 12
rep No. 76, 1991, r 3
- r 3C ins No. 20, 1985, r 4
sub Act No. 69, 1986, s 19
amd No. 37, 1987, r 3
sub No. 27, 1989; No. 8, 1991
amd No. 76, 1991, r 4
sub No. 47, 1992, r 2; No. 21, 1995, r 2; No. 24, 1999, r 3
- r 3CA ins No. 37, 1987, r 4
amd No. 41, 1988, r 2
rep No. 27, 1989
- r 3D ins Act No, 69, 1986, s 19
amd No. 37, 1987 r 5; Act No. 33, 1991, s 7
rep No. 76, 1991, r 5
- r 4 sub Act No. 69, 1986, s 19
- r 5 rep No. 24, 1999, r 4
- r 8 amd No. 37, 1987 r 5
- r 9 amd No. 37, 1987, r 5
- r 10 sub No. 24, 1999, r 5

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sch amd No. 37, 1985, r 5
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sch 2 ins No. 24, 1999, r 6