

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

CEMETERIES ACT

As in force at 11 December 1998

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CEMETERIES ACT

An Act relating to the establishment, maintenance and control of cemeteries

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Cemeteries Act*.

2 Commencement

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

3 Repeal

The Act number 19 of 1862, the "*Cremation Act, 1891*" and "*The Cemeteries Act Amendment Act, 1897*" of the State of South Australia cease to apply to the Territory.

4 Definitions

In this Act unless the contrary intention appears:

Aboriginal land means Aboriginal land within the meaning of the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976* of the Commonwealth.

Board means a Board of Trustees of a public cemetery appointed under this Act.

burial ceremony includes a ceremony at a burial or cremation.

cemetery includes a public cemetery and a private burial ground.

legally qualified medical practitioner means a person registered under the *Medical Act* and includes a medical practitioner registered under the law in force in a State or Territory.

private burial ground means land set apart for, or dedicated to, the purposes of a private burial ground under this Act.

public cemetery means land set apart for, or dedicated to, the purposes of a public cemetery under this Act.

the recognized head, in relation to a religious denomination or group of religious denominations, means the person for the time being recognized by the Minister as the head, in the Territory, of a religious denomination or group of religious denominations.

5 Application of Act

- (1) Subject to this section, the provisions of this Act:
 - (a) apply only to such portions of the Territory as are specified by the Minister, by notice in the *Gazette*;
 - (b) do not apply to the cemetery known as the Darwin Chinese Public Cemetery; and
 - (c) do not apply to a cemetery or portion of a cemetery the control of which is exercised by the body known as the Imperial War Graves Commission.
- (2) Sections 1 to 6 (inclusive), 15, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26, 30 and 36 to 40 (inclusive) apply throughout the Territory.

6 Establishment of cemeteries

- (1) The Administrator may, by notice in the *Gazette*, set apart for, or dedicate to, the purposes of a public cemetery or a private burial ground, any unleased land belonging to the Territory.
- (1A) The Administrator may, by notice in the *Gazette*, dedicate to the purpose of a public cemetery, Aboriginal land which has been leased in perpetuity at a nominal rental under the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976* of the Commonwealth to the Commonwealth of Australia for the purpose of a public cemetery.
- (2) Land so set apart or dedicated shall be used only for the burial or cremation of bodies of deceased persons and for purposes incidental thereto.

6A Nhulunbuy Public Cemetery

- (1) The purported dedication under section 6(1) of the land described in the Schedule, made on 8 February 1973, is, and shall be deemed always to have been, as valid and effectual as it would have been if that land had not then been a reserve within the meaning of the *Social Welfare Act*.

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- (2) The *Social Welfare Act* does not apply, and shall be deemed never to have applied since 7 February 1973, to or in respect of the land described in the Schedule.
 - (3) The purported appointment under section 8(1) of a Board of Trustees of the Nhulunbuy Public Cemetery, made on 6 September 1973, is, and shall be deemed always to have been, as valid and effectual as it would have been if the land described in the Schedule had not been, on 8 February 1973, a reserve within the meaning of the *Social Welfare Act*.

7 Provision of public cemeteries according to religious denominations, etc.

- (1) The Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*, set apart separate portions of the land comprising a public cemetery for the burial of deceased persons:
 - (a) of a religious denomination or group of religious denominations if requested to do so by the recognized head thereof;
 - (b) who served in any war in which the Crown is or has been engaged:
 - (i) in the Naval, Military or Air Forces of the Commonwealth or of any other part of the Queen's dominions; or
 - (ii) in Australia, a Territory or in an area adjacent thereto, in the Armed Forces of a Power or Authority allied or associated with the Crown; or
 - (c) who served in the Naval, Military or Air Forces of the Commonwealth or of any other part of the Queen's dominions and who do not come within the provisions of paragraph (b).
- (2) In setting apart portions of the land comprising a public cemetery for the burial of deceased persons of a religious denomination, the Minister shall have regard to the number of adherents, in the Territory, of that and other religious denominations and shall give preference to the religious denomination having the greatest number of adherents as shown by the last official census.
- (3) In subsection (2) the expression ***religious denomination*** does not include a group of religious denominations.

8 Board of Trustees of a cemetery

- (1) The Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*, appoint a board of trustees to be a Board of Trustees of a public cemetery, for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) A board of trustees of a cemetery shall be known by a name consisting of the words "Board of Trustees of" followed by the name of the cemetery.
- (3) A Board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and shall be capable of suing and being sued.
- (4) All courts, judges and persons acting judicially shall take judicial notice of the seal of a Board affixed to a document and shall presume that it was duly affixed.
- (5) The exercise of the rights, powers, authorities or functions, or the performance of the duties or obligations, of a Board shall not be affected by reason only of there being a vacancy in the office of a member of that Board.

9 Constitution of a Board

- (1) A Board shall consist of not less than 5 nor more than 12 persons.
- (2) The Minister, by notice in the *Gazette*:
 - (a) may appoint a person to, or remove a member from, a Board; and
 - (b) may appoint a person to be a member of a Board in the place of a member who vacates his office.
- (3) Where a portion of a public cemetery has been set apart for the burial of deceased persons of a religious denomination, the recognized head thereof may nominate a person for appointment to the Board.
- (4) Where a portion of a public cemetery has been set apart for the burial of deceased persons of a group of religious denominations, the recognized head thereof may nominate a person for appointment to the Board.
- (5) Where a portion of a public cemetery has been set apart for the burial of deceased persons who are described in section 7(1)(b) or (c), the sub-branch of the organization known as the Returned Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia situated nearest to the cemetery may nominate a person for appointment to the Board.

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- (6) The Minister, in his absolute discretion, may appoint a person who is nominated pursuant to subsection (3), (4) or (5) to be a member of the Board.
 - (7) The Minister shall, by notice in the *Gazette*, appoint one of the members of a Board to be Chairman of the Board.

10 Vacation of office

A member of a Board is deemed to vacate his office:

- (a) if the Minister removes him from a Board;
- (b) if he becomes bankrupt, applies to take the benefit of any law for the relief of bankrupt or insolvent debtors, compounds with his creditors or makes an assignment of his remuneration or income for their benefit;
- (c) if he becomes of unsound mind;
- (d) if he resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Minister and the resignation is accepted by the Minister; or
- (e) if he is absent, except on leave granted by a Board, from 3 consecutive meetings of that Board.

11 Meetings of Board

- (1) A Board shall meet once in every 6 months and shall meet at such other times as, in the opinion of the Chairman, are necessary for the efficient conduct of its affairs.
- (2) The Chairman of a Board at any time may, and upon receipt of a written request signed by not less than 3 members of the Board shall, call a meeting of the Board.
- (3) The Chairman of a Board shall preside at all meetings of the Board at which he is present.
- (4) In the event of the absence of the Chairman from a meeting of a Board, the members present shall appoint one of their number to preside at that meeting.
- (5) At a meeting of a Board, 3 members shall constitute a quorum.
- (6) The member of a Board presiding at a meeting of a Board shall have a deliberative vote and, in the event of an equality of votes, shall also have a casting vote.

12 Board may delegate its powers

- (1) A Board may, in relation to any particular matter or class of matters, or to any particular place, by writing under its seal, delegate to any person all or any of its powers or functions under this Act (except this power of delegation), so that the delegated powers and functions may be exercised by the delegate with respect to the matter or class of matters, or to the place, specified in the instrument of delegation.
- (2) Every delegation under this section shall be revocable at will and no delegation shall prevent the exercise of any power by the Board.

13 Powers of a Board

A Board shall have power:

- (a) to do anything necessary for the upkeep, maintenance, improvement and management of the public cemetery in respect of which it is appointed;
- (aa) to grant annual licences to undertakers to undertake funerals in that cemetery;
- (ab) to demand and receive fees and charges in respect of licences granted under this section and the undertaking of funerals in that cemetery; and
- (b) to do anything incidental to any of the powers conferred by this Act.

13A By-laws

A Board may make by-laws, not inconsistent with this Act or the regulations, for the control and management of the public cemetery in respect of which it is appointed and, in particular:

- (a) regulating and prescribing charges for the undertaking of funerals in that cemetery;
- (b) prohibiting, except under licence granted by the Board, the undertaking of funerals, and the acceptance of fees for the undertaking of funerals, in that cemetery;
- (c) prescribing the manner in which an application may be made for a licence to be granted by the Board for the undertaking of funerals in that cemetery;

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- (d) prescribing fees to be paid to the Board in respect of licences granted by the Board for the undertaking of funerals in that cemetery; and
 - (e) prescribing the fee or charge in respect of a service or facility provided under this Act at that cemetery.

14 Board may erect crematorium

- (1) A Board may, subject to the approval of the Minister, erect and maintain a crematorium in a cemetery for the cremation of bodies of deceased persons.
- (2) A Board which maintains a crematorium shall appoint a person to be the person in charge of the crematorium.

15 Cremations

A person shall not cremate the body of a deceased person, otherwise than in a crematorium maintained in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Penalty: \$1,000 or imprisonment for 3 years, or both.

16 Permit for cremation

Subject to this Act a Board may grant a permit for the cremation of the body of a deceased person if it receives:

- (a) a certificate signed by 2 legally qualified medical practitioners, one of whom has attended the deceased in a professional capacity prior to death, stating that death was due to natural causes;
- (b) a certificate signed by a legally qualified medical practitioner stating that he has conducted a post-mortem examination of the body of the deceased and that death was due to natural causes; or
- (c) a certificate signed by a coroner stating that he has held an inquest as to the cause of death of the deceased and that no further examination of the body is necessary.

17 Interested persons not to certify

A person knowing that he has, whether directly or indirectly, an interest ensuing upon the death of a deceased person:

- (a) in the proceeds of a policy of insurance or assurance; or

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- (b) in any real or personal property or the income therefrom, whether immediately or in expectancy,

shall not sign a certificate for the purposes of section 16 in respect of the body of that person.

Penalty: \$400 or imprisonment for one year, or both.

18 Next of kin may object to cremation

- (1) A next of kin, whether of the age of 18 years or not, of a deceased person, may give notice to a Board objecting to the cremation of the body of the deceased.
- (1A) For the purposes of subsection (1), the next of kin of a deceased person are that person's spouse, a de facto partner of that person and anyone related by blood to that person; and **de facto partner**, in relation to a deceased person, means:
 - (a) where the deceased was a man – a woman who, immediately before the man's death, was living with him as his wife on a bona fide domestic basis although not married to him; and
 - (b) where the deceased was a woman – a man who, immediately before the woman's death, was living with her as her husband on a bona fide domestic basis although not married to her.
- (2) Upon receipt of a notice under subsection (1), unless the deceased person has left an attested memorandum directing, or expressing the desire, that his body shall be cremated, the Board shall refuse to grant a permit for the cremation of that body or, if a permit has been granted, the Board shall forthwith revoke the permit and give notice thereof to the person in charge of the crematorium, by causing a written notice to be affixed to the door of the crematorium and by serving a copy on him.

19 Officers may forbid cremation

The Solicitor for the Northern Territory, the Director of Public Prosecutions, a Justice of the Peace or a police officer, having reasonable cause for so doing, may, by notice in writing affixed to the door of a crematorium and by notice served on the person in charge of the crematorium:

- (a) forbid the cremation of the body of a deceased person; and
- (b) order the removal of the body to such custody as the person giving the notice sees fit.

20 No cremation without permit or in contravention of notice

A person shall not cremate, or permit to be cremated, the body of a deceased person in a crematorium maintained under this Act:

- (a) unless a permit for the cremation of that body is produced to him and he has reasonable grounds for believing that the permit has not been revoked; or
- (b) if a notice has been given under section 19.

Penalty: \$1,000 or imprisonment for 3 years, or both.

21 Burial must be in cemetery

A person shall not, except with the consent in writing of the Minister, bury the body of a deceased person elsewhere than in a cemetery.

Penalty: \$200.

22 Time for burials

A person shall not bury the body of a deceased person during the time between sunset on any day and sunrise on the next succeeding day.

Penalty: \$100.

23 Manner of burial

A person shall not bury the body of a deceased person otherwise than in the manner prescribed.

Penalty: \$40.

24 Place of burial

A person shall not bury the body of a deceased person otherwise than in the place directed by the Board or a servant or agent of the Board.

Penalty: \$40.

25 Inspection of premises

The Minister may, in writing, authorize a person to enter and inspect a cemetery and the buildings, fittings, works, apparatus, graves, vaults and places of burials in that cemetery.

26 Interference with burial ceremonies

Subject to this Act, a person shall not, whether directly or indirectly, obstruct or hinder the performance of a burial ceremony in a cemetery.

Penalty: \$100.

27 Recognized head may object to certain matters

- (1) The recognized head of a religious denomination, or group of religious denominations, for the burial of deceased members of which a portion of a public cemetery has been set apart, may, by notice in writing to the Board, object to:

- (a) the performance of a particular form of burial ceremony;
- (b) the design of a monument, tombstone or headstone; or
- (c) the inscription on a monument, tombstone or headstone,

within that portion of the cemetery.

- (2) When notice is given under subsection (1), the Board shall serve a notice by post on the person concerned in or responsible for the matter to which objection has been made:

- (a) prohibiting the performance of the particular form of burial ceremony;
- (b) prohibiting the placing, or ordering the removal, of a monument, tombstone or headstone; or
- (c) prohibiting the placing, or ordering the removal, of an inscription on a monument, tombstone or headstone,

as the case may be, within that portion of the cemetery.

28 Compliance with Board's order

A person shall not:

- (a) perform a particular form of burial ceremony;
- (b) place, or fail to remove, a monument, tombstone or headstone; or
- (c) place, or fail to remove, an inscription on a monument, tombstone or headstone,

contrary to a notice under section 27(2).

Penalty: \$100.

29 Burial allotments

- (1) A Board may, on the application of a person, and on payment of the prescribed fee grant to that person an exclusive right of burial in a grave, vault or burial ground comprising one or more allotments in a public cemetery.
- (2) The Board shall permit the recognized head to state whether he has any objection, and if so the grounds therefor, to a grant being made if an allotment, in respect of which an application is made under subsection (1), is within a portion of a cemetery which has been set apart for the burial of deceased persons of a religious denomination or group of denominations.
- (3) The Board shall permit the sub-branch of the organization known as the Returned Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia situated nearest to the cemetery to state whether it has any objection, and if so the grounds therefor, to a grant being made if an allotment, in respect of which an application is made under subsection (1), is within a portion of a cemetery which has been set apart for the burial of deceased persons who are described in section 7(1)(b) or (c).

30 Ministers of religion may exercise spiritual functions

Subject to this Act, a minister of religion may exercise his spiritual functions in connection with a burial ceremony without hindrance by or from any person.

31 Employment of staff

A Board may employ such caretakers and other persons upon such conditions and at such wages as it deems reasonable, for the purpose of carrying out, and giving effect to, the provisions of this Act.

32 Maintenance of cemeteries

- (1) There shall be paid to a Board such sums of money as are, from time to time, appropriated by law for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) A Board shall, subject to the control of the Minister, expend moneys received by it under this Act in laying out, ornamenting, preserving, maintaining and keeping the cemetery in a clean and orderly condition and in a manner appropriate to a cemetery.

33 Accounts

A Board shall keep accounts, in respect of all moneys received and expended by it, in such form and manner as is approved by the Minister.

34 Audit

- (1) The Minister may:
 - (a) by notice in writing to a Board, require the Board to ensure that its accounts are audited by a registered company auditor as defined in the Corporations Law; or
 - (b) request the Auditor-General to audit the accounts of a Board.
- (2) An auditor auditing those accounts of a Board that the Minister requires to be audited:
 - (a) has a right of access to all books, accounts, vouchers and documents of the Board; and
 - (b) may require from a member or former member of the Board information and explanations necessary for the performance of the auditor's duties as auditor.

35 Annual report

- (1) A Board shall, as soon as practicable after 30 June in each year, prepare and furnish to the Minister a report on the operations of the Board during the year ended on that date, together with a copy of its accounts in respect of that year.
- (2) A Board shall furnish to the Minister such other reports, and such documents and information, relating to the operations of the Board as the Minister requires.

36 Closing of cemeteries

The Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*, order that from and including a date specified in that notice, being not less than 3 calendar months after the date thereof, burials or cremations, or both, in a cemetery be wholly discontinued or discontinued subject to such exceptions as are notified in that notice.

37 No burial in restricted cemetery

A person shall not bury the body of a deceased person in a cemetery contrary to the provisions of a notice under section 36.

Penalty: \$200.

38 Appointment of curators

The Minister may appoint a person to be the curator of a public cemetery which is situated within a portion of the Territory to which the provisions of this Act, other than the provisions set forth in section 5(2), do not apply.

39 Minister may determine fees

The Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*:

- (a) determine fees or charges for the undertaking of a funeral at a cemetery in respect of which a curator has been appointed under section 38; and
- (b) determine the fee or charge in respect of a service or facility provided under this Act at such a cemetery.

39A Licences

The Minister may grant annual licences to undertakers to undertake funerals in a cemetery in respect of which a curator has been appointed under section 38.

39B Regulatory offences

An offence against section 21, 23, 24 or 37 is a regulatory offence.

40 Regulations

The Administrator may make regulations, not inconsistent with this Act, prescribing all matters which by this Act are required or permitted to be prescribed, or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed, for carrying out or giving effect to this Act, and in particular for:

- (a) the use and management of cemeteries;
- (b) regulating and controlling the digging, making and maintenance of graves, vaults and places of burial in cemeteries and fixing the position thereof;

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- (c) prescribing the manner of burial and the conditions under which graves, vaults and places of burial in cemeteries may be re-opened;
 - (d) prescribing the powers, duties and remuneration of curators;
 - (e) regulating and controlling the erection and maintenance of monuments, tombstones, headstones and other structures;
 - (f) regulating the receipt and control of moneys paid, contributed or donated to Boards;
 - (g) prohibiting, except under licence granted by the Minister, the undertaking of funerals, and the acceptance of fees for the undertaking of funerals, in a cemetery in respect of which a curator has been appointed under section 38;
 - (h) prescribing the form of, the manner in which an application may be made for, and the fee payable in respect of, a licence referred to in paragraph (g);
 - (i) protecting buildings, fittings, works, apparatus, monuments, tombstones, headstones and enclosures within cemeteries;
 - (j) regulating the use of crematoria;
 - (k) regulating the duties of caretakers and servants of Boards;
 - (l) regulating the proceedings of Boards; and
 - (m) prescribing penalties not exceeding \$100 for an offence against the regulations.

Schedule

section 6A

All that piece or parcel of land on the Gove Peninsula, Northern Territory of Australia, containing an area of 22 acres 3 roods 30 perches more or less being Northern Territory Portion 1398: Commencing at a point bearing 0 degrees 3083.4 links; 299 degrees 29 minutes 30 seconds 2425.1 links from the most westerly southwestern corner of Northern Territory Portion 1192; thence by lines bearing 180 degrees 984.8 links; 270 degrees 1515.2 links; 360 degrees 1515.1 links; 90 degrees 1515.2 links; 180 degrees 530.3 links to the point of commencement.

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 = <i>Gazette</i>	sch = Schedule
hdg = heading	sdiv = Subdivision
ins = inserted	SL = Subordinate Legislation
lt = long title	sub = substituted
nc = not commenced	

2 LIST OF LEGISLATION

Cemeteries Ordinance 1952 (Act No. 18, 1952)

Assent date	24 April 1952
Commenced	8 March 1967 (<i>Gaz</i> No. 14, 8 March 1967)

Cemeteries Ordinance 1955 (Act No. 7, 1955)

Assent date	8 June 1955
Commenced	8 March 1967 (s 2, s 2 <i>Cemeteries Ordinance 1952</i> (Act No. 18, 1952) and <i>Gaz</i> No. 14, 8 March 1967)

Administrator's Council Ordinance 1959 (Act No. 22, 1959)

Assent date	22 July 1959
Commenced	28 April 1960 (<i>Gaz</i> No. 18, 27 April 1960)

Cemeteries Ordinance 1963 (Act No. 47, 1963)

Assent date	22 July 1963
Commenced	8 March 1967 (s 2, s 2 <i>Cemeteries Ordinance 1952</i> (Act No. 18, 1952) and <i>Gaz</i> No. 14, 8 March 1967)

Cemeteries Ordinance 1964 (Act No. 36, 1964)

Assent date	7 September 1964
Commenced	8 March 1967 (s 2, s 2 <i>Cemeteries Ordinance 1952</i> (Act No. 18, 1952) and <i>Gaz</i> No. 14, 8 March 1967)

Cemeteries Ordinance 1966 (Act No. 46, 1966)

Assent date	2 December 1966
Commenced	8 March 1967 (s 2, s 2 <i>Cemeteries Ordinance 1952</i> (Act No. 18, 1952) and <i>Gaz</i> No. 14, 8 March 1967)

Cemeteries Ordinance 1971 (Act No. 4, 1971)

Assent date	24 March 1971
Commenced	24 March 1971

Ordinances Revision Ordinance 1973 (Act No. 87, 1973)

Assent date 11 December 1973
Commenced 11 December 1973 (s 12(2))

Amending legislation

Ordinances Revision Ordinance 1974 (Act No. 34, 1974)

Assent date 26 August 1974
Commenced 11 December 1973 (s 3(2))

Ordinances Revision Ordinance (No. 2) 1974 (Act No. 69, 1974)

Assent date 24 October 1974
Commenced 11 December 1973 (s 3)

Ordinances Revision Ordinance 1976 (Act No. 27, 1976)

Assent date 28 June 1976
Commenced ss 1, 2 and 6: 28 June 1976, s 6(2); ss 3 and 4: 11 December 1973; s 5: 24 October 1974

Cemeteries Ordinance 1977 (Act No. 47, 1977)

Assent date 30 September 1977
Commenced 30 September 1977

Transfer of Powers (Further Provisions) Ordinance 1977 (Act No. 51, 1977)

Assent date 9 December 1977
Commenced 1 January 1978 (s 6)

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

Assent date 1 July 1978
Commenced 1 July 1978 (s 8)

Law Officers Ordinance 1978 (Act No. 61, 1978)

Assent date 1 July 1978
Commenced 1 July 1978

Statute Law Revision Act 1978 (Act No. 95, 1978)

Assent date 5 September 1978
Commenced 5 September 1978

Cemeteries Ordinance 1978 (Act No. 109, 1978)

Assent date 9 November 1978
Commenced 1 February 1979 (s 3, s 2 *Aboriginal Land Ordinance 1978* (Act No. 106, 1978) and *Gaz G4*, 26 January 1979, p 18)

Cemeteries Act 1979 (Act No. 92, 1979)

Assent date 10 August 1979
Commenced 10 August 1979

Statute Law Revision Act (No. 2) 1979 (Act No. 128, 1979)

Assent date 15 October 1979
Commenced 15 October 1979

Statute Law Revision Act (No. 3) 1979 (Act No. 37, 1980)

Assent date 24 April 1980
Commenced 24 April 1980

Statute Law Revision Act 1981 (Act No. 29, 1981)

Assent date 25 March 1981
Commenced 25 March 1981

Criminal Law (Regulatory Offences) Act 1983 (Act No. 68, 1983)

Assent date 28 November 1983
Commenced 1 January 1984 (s 2, s 2 *Criminal Code Act 1983* (Act No. 47, 1983), *Gaz* G46, 18 November 1983, p 11 and *Gaz* G8, 26 February 1986, p 5)

Law Officers Amendment Act (No. 2) 1986 (Act No. 48, 1986)

Assent date 10 December 1986
Commenced 19 December 1986 (*Gaz* S87, 17 December 1986)

Director of Public Prosecutions (Consequential Amendments) Act 1990 (Act No. 29, 1990)

Assent date 11 June 1990
Commenced 21 January 1991 (s 2, s 2 *Director of Public Prosecutions Act 1990* (Act No. 35, 1990) and *Gaz* G2, 16 January 1991, p 9)

De Facto Relationships (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 1991 (Act No. 82, 1991)

Assent date 24 December 1991
Commenced 1 January 1992 (s 2)

Medical (Consequential Amendments) Act 1995 (Act No. 8, 1995)

Assent date 10 April 1995
Commenced 1 June 1995 (s 2, s 2 *Medical Act 1995* (Act No. 7, 1995) and *Gaz* S21, 1 June 1995)

Statute Law Revision Act (No. 2) 1998 (Act No. 92, 1998)

Assent date 11 December 1998
Commenced 11 December 1998

3 SAVINGS AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

s 6(2) *De Facto Relationships (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 1991* (Act No. 82, 1991)

4 GENERAL AMENDMENTS

General amendments of a formal nature (which are not referred to in the list of amendments to this reprint) are made by the *Ordinances Revision Ordinance 1973* (Act No. 87, 1973) (as amended) to the following provisions: ss 4, 5, 7, 9 to 11, 15 to 18, 20 to 24, 26 to 29 and 35 to 40.

5 LIST OF AMENDMENTS

It	amd No. 29, 1981, s 2
ss 1 – 2	amd No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 4	amd No. 7, 1955, s 3; No. 22, 1959, s 6; No. 87, 1973, s 12; No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3; No. 109, 1978, s 4; No. 29, 1981, s 2; No. 8, 1995, s 4
s 5	amd No. 22, 1959, s 6; No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3; No. 92, 1979, s 3; No. 29, 1981, s 2

s 6	amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 4; No. 109, 1978, s 5; No. 128, 1979, s 4; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 6A	ins No. 47, 1977, s 3 amd No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 7	amd No. 22, 1959, s 6; No. 36, 1964, s 3; No. 87, 1973, s 12; No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3
ss 8 – 9	amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 10	amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3
s 12	amd No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 13	amd No. 47, 1963, s 3; No. 36, 1964, s 4; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 13A	ins No. 47, 1963, s 4 amd No. 46, 1966, s 3; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 14	amd No. 22, 1959, s 6; No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3
s 15	amd No. 46, 1966, s 7; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 16	amd No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 17	amd No. 46, 1966, s 7; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 18	amd No. 29, 1981, s 2; No. 82, 1991, s 5
s 19	amd No. 61, 1978, s 4; No. 37, 1980, s 4; No. 48, 1986, s 9; No. 29, 1990, s 7
s 20	amd No. 46, 1966, s 7; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 21	amd No. 46, 1966, s 7; No. 4, 1971, s 2; No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3; No. 29, 1981, s 2
ss 22 – 24	amd No. 46, 1966, s 7; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 25	amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3
s 26	amd No. 46, 1966, s 7; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 28	amd No. 46, 1966, s 7; No. 29, 1981, s 2
ss 29 – 31	amd No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 32	amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 4; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 33	sub No. 7, 1955, s 4 amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3
s 34	sub No. 7, 1955, s 5 amd No. 54, 1978, s 4 sub No. 92, 1998, s 5
s 35	sub No. 7, 1955, s 6 amd No. 47, 1963, s 5; No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3
s 36	amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3
s 37	amd No. 46, 1966, s 7; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 38	amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 39	sub No. 46, 1966, s 4 amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3; No. 29, 1981, s 2
s 39A	ins No. 46, 1966, s 4 amd No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3
s 39B	ins No. 68, 1983, s 43
s 40	amd No. 46, 1966, ss 5 and 7; No. 87, 1973, s 6; No. 51, 1977, s 3; No. 54, 1978, s 3; No. 95, 1978, s 14; No. 29, 1981, s 2
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