NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

CEMETERIES AMENDMENT (MULTIPLE BURIALS) REGULATIONS 2005

Regulations No. 42 of 2005

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I, EDWARD JOSEPH EGAN, the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Cemeteries Act*.

Dated 24 October 2005.

E. J. EGAN Administrator

By His Honour's Command

CLARE MARTIN acting for the Minister for Local Government

^{*} Notified in the Northern Territory Government Gazette on 24 October 2005.

1. Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Cemeteries Amendment (Multiple Burials) Regulations 2005*.

2. Principal Regulations amended

These Regulations amend the Cemeteries Regulations.

3. Amendment of regulation 19 (Double burials)

(1) Regulation 19(2) –

omit, substitute

(2) Subject to regulation 19A, not more than 2 adults may be buried in an allotment.

(2) Regulation 19(5) –

omit

4. Amendment of regulation 19A (Minister may approve multiple burials)

Regulation 19A –

omit

2 adults

substitute

one or more adults

5. Amendment of regulation 23 (Depth of graves generally)

(1) Regulation 23(1) –

omit

(1) Subject to subregulation (2) a grave

substitute

A grave

(2) Regulation 23(2) –

omit

6. New regulation 23A

After regulation 23 –

insert

23A. Additional requirements for graves with multiple burials

(1) If a grave is re-opened for a second or subsequent burial, subregulation (2) or (3) applies in addition to regulation 23.

(2) The upper surface of the coffin nearest to the normal level of the ground must be at least 750 millimetres below that level.

(3) If it is not reasonably practicable to comply with subregulation (2) –

- (a) the upper surface of the coffin nearest to the normal level of the ground must be covered with a layer of brick, stone, concrete or other similar material; and
- (b) the sides of the grave above that layer must be lined with brick, stone, concrete or other similar material; and
- (c) there must be at least 500 millimetres of soil between that layer and the normal level of the ground.