

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY.

No. 1 of 1959.

AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the Control of the Use of Water,
and for other purposes.

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Ordinance under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910-1955*.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of January, 1959.

W. J. SLIM

Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

GORDON FREETH

Minister of State for the Interior.

WATER (RESTRICTION OF USE) ORDINANCE 1959.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Water (Restriction of Use) Ordinance 1959*.^{*} Citation.

2. In this Ordinance, "inspector" means an inspector appointed under this Ordinance. Definition.

3.—(1.) The Minister may, by order, prohibit or restrict the use, in the whole or any part of the Territory, of water supplied by the Commonwealth. Power of Minister to make order.

(2.) An order made under the last preceding sub-section may—

- (a) prohibit or restrict the use of water for such purposes as are specified in the order; and
- (b) prohibit or restrict the use of water for those purposes either absolutely or during such hours, and subject to compliance with such conditions, as are specified in the order.

4. An order made under the last preceding section shall—

- (a) be in writing under the hand of the Minister;
- (b) come into operation on a date to be specified in the order; and

Order to be in writing, &c.

^{*} Notified in the *Commonwealth Gazette* on 5th February, 1959.

- (c) be published in a newspaper circulating in the Territory on or before the date on which the order is expressed to come into operation.

Order to be
complied with.

5. A person shall not use or permit the use of water in contravention of an order of the Minister made under section three of this Ordinance.

Penalty: One hundred pounds or imprisonment for six months.

Appointment
of inspectors.

6. The Minister may, by writing under his hand, appoint such persons as he thinks necessary to be inspectors for the purposes of this Ordinance.

Power of
inspector to
enter land.

7.—(1.) Subject to the next succeeding sub-section, an inspector may, at any time, enter upon land and inspect the land for the purpose of ascertaining whether a person is using or has used water in contravention of an order of the Minister made under section three of this Ordinance.

(2.) An inspector shall not, during the hours from sunset to sunrise—

- (a) enter upon land otherwise than by the normal means of entering upon the land; or
- (b) having entered upon the land, proceed to inspect the land unless he has notified, or taken all reasonable steps with a view to notifying, the occupier of the land of his presence, his name and the fact that he is an inspector.

Hindering or
obstructing
inspector.

8. A person shall not hinder or obstruct an inspector in the exercise of the powers conferred by the last preceding section.

Penalty: One hundred pounds or imprisonment for six months.

Issue, and
production of,
certificate of
identity.

9.—(1.) The Minister shall issue to an inspector a certificate stating that he is an inspector.

(2.) An inspector who enters upon land in pursuance of this Ordinance is not authorized to remain on the land if, on request by the occupier of the land for production of the certificate so issued to him, the inspector does not produce the certificate.