Fire Brigade Regulations 1958 No 1

made under the

Fire Brigade Act 1957

Republication No 2

Republication date: 14 May 2002

Last amendment made by Act 2001 No 44

Amendments incorporated to 12 September 2001

Authorised by the ACT Parliamentary Counsel
About this republication

The republished law

This is a republication of the *Fire Brigade Regulations 1958*, made under the *Fire Brigade Act 1957*, as in force on 14 May 2002. It includes any amendment, repeal or expiry affecting the republished law to 12 September 2001 and any amendment made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 (Editorial changes).

The legislation history and amendment history of the republished law are set out in endnotes 3 and 4.

Kinds of republications

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- authorised republications to which the *Legislation Act 2001* applies
- unauthorised republications.

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Editorial changes

The *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 authorises the Parliamentary Counsel to make editorial amendments and other changes of a formal nature when preparing a law for republication. Editorial changes do not change the effect of the law, but have effect as if they had been made by an Act commencing on the republication date (see *Legislation Act 2001*, s 115 and s 117). The changes are made if the Parliamentary Counsel considers they are desirable to bring the law into line, or more closely into line, with current legislative drafting practice.

This republication includes amendments made under part 11.3 (see endnote 1).

Uncommenced provisions and amendments

If a provision of the republished law has not commenced or is affected by an uncommenced amendment, the symbol \[U\] appears immediately before the provision heading. The text of the uncommenced provision or amendment appears only in the last endnote.

Modifications

If a provision of the republished law is affected by a current modification, the symbol \[M\] appears immediately before the provision heading. The text of the modifying provision appears in the endnotes. For the legal status of modifications, see *Legislation Act 2001*, section 95.

Penalties

The value of a penalty unit for an offence against this republished law at the republication date is—

(a) if the person charged is an individual—$100; or

(b) if the person charged is a corporation—$500.
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Fire Brigade Regulations 1958

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1 **Name of regulations**

These regulations are the *Fire Brigade Regulations 1958*.

2 **Definitions for regulations**

In these regulations:

*Note* A definition applies except so far as the contrary intention appears (see *Legislation Act 2001*, s 155).

*boarding-house*—see the *Public Health (Boarding-houses) Regulations*.

*commercial building* means a building that is used (or, being unoccupied, is normally used) for trade, business, commercial or industrial purposes, and includes a hospital, a school, a theatre, a public hall, a hotel, a hostel, a boarding house and a residential flat building.

*public entertainment* means an exhibition, lecture, amusement, game or sport admission to which may be procured by payment of money, or by any other means, as the price or condition of admission.

*public hall* means a room or building of a permanent character where public entertainments or public meetings are or may be held, and includes any building or premises used in connection with any such room or building.

*public meeting* means an assemblage of persons for a public purpose of a political, religious, charitable or intellectual nature, whether or not a charge is made for admission, but does not include an assemblage of persons for religious worship only.

*residential flat building* means a building containing 1 or more flats, but does not include a row of 2 or more dwellings attached to each other that are commonly known as semidetached or terrace buildings.
theatre means a theatre constructed or used for the presentation of any entertainment on the stage or for the showing of cinematograph pictures, and includes any building or premises used in connection with the theatre.

3 Minister or authorised person may direct installation of fire appliances

(1) The Minister may direct the owner of a commercial building to provide or install in the building the fire appliances specified in the direction.

(2) A person authorised by the Minister to give directions for the provision or installation, in a commercial building included in a class of commercial buildings specified in the authority, of fire appliances of a type specified in the authority may direct the owner of the commercial building to provide or install in the building the fire appliances of that type that are specified in the direction.

(3) A direction under this regulation may be given by written notice served on the owner, or on his or her agent in connection with the building, personally or by post, and, if served by post, may be addressed to the owner or agent at his or her last-known place of abode or business.

(4) The chief officer or a person authorised in writing by the chief officer to make inspections under this regulation may enter a building for the purpose of ascertaining whether a direction under this regulation has been complied with or of inspecting fire appliances provided or installed in the building under a direction under this regulation.

(5) A person shall not hinder a person in the exercise of his or her powers under the last preceding subregulation (4).

Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.
5 Attendance of brigade members at public meetings etc

(1) If—

(a) scenery is used in a stage presentation at a public entertainment or public meeting; or

(b) the nature of, or the decorations, appliances or lighting used at, a public entertainment or public meeting are or is such as, in the opinion of the chief officer, to require the attendance at the entertainment or meeting of members of the brigade,

1 or more members of the brigade, as directed by the chief officer, shall be in attendance during the whole of the entertainment or meeting.

(2) A fee at the rate of $4 per hour shall be charged for the attendance of each member.

(3) A fee charged under subregulation (2) is payable—

(a) if the public entertainment is given, or the public meeting is held, in a theatre or public hall—by the owner of the theatre or public hall; or

(b) in any other case—by the organiser of the entertainment or meeting.

6 Chief officer to fix fees for approved services rendered by brigade

(1) The members of the brigade may, at the request of a person, render the services the chief officer approves.

(2) The chief officer may permit the use, in the rendering of a service referred to in subregulation (1), of the equipment of the brigade.

(3) The chief officer shall not approve of the rendering of services or permit the use of equipment under this regulation unless the person who requests the provision of the services agrees to the terms and conditions (including the payment of fees) the chief officer
determines to be the terms and conditions on which the services shall be provided and the use of the equipment shall be permitted.

7 **Chief officer may give directions in emergency**

Notwithstanding the provisions of regulation 6 (3), the chief officer may, to carry out rescue operations or in an emergency, give directions to the members of the brigade to do the things necessary to carry out the rescue operation or deal with the emergency.
Endnotes

1 About the endnotes

Amending and modifying laws are annotated in the legislation history and the amendment history. Current modifications are not included in the republished law but are set out in the endnotes.

Not all editorial amendments made under the Legislation Act 2001, part 11.3 are annotated in the amendment history. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel’s Office.

Uncommenced amending laws and expiries are listed in the legislation history and the amendment history. These details are underlined. Uncommenced provisions and amendments are not included in the republished law but are set out in the last endnote.

If all the provisions of the law have been renumbered, a table of renumbered provisions gives details of previous and current numbering.

The endnotes also include a table of earlier republications.

If the republished law includes penalties, current information about penalty unit values appears on the republication inside front cover.

2 Abbreviation key

am = amended  ord = ordinance
amdt = amendment  orig = original
ch = chapter  p = page
cl = clause  par = paragraph
def = definition  prev = previous
dict = dictionary  prov = provision
disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative Assembly  (prev...) = previously
  div = division  pt = part
exp = expires/expired  r = rule/subrule
Gaz = Gazette  reg = regulation/subregulation
hdg = heading  renum = renumbered
ins = inserted/added  reloc = relocated
LA = Legislation Act 2001  R[X] = Republication No
LR = legislation register  s = section/subsection
LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996  sch = schedule
mod = modified / modification  sdiv = subdivision
No = number  sub = substituted
num = numbered  SL = Subordinate Law
o = order  underlining = whole or part not commenced
om = omitted/repealed  or to be expired

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3 Legislation history

The Fire Brigade Regulations 1958 were originally made under the Fire Brigade Ordinance 1957 (now the Fire Brigade Act 1957).

The Fire Brigade Regulations 1958 were originally the Fire Brigade Regulations. They were renamed under the Legislation Act 2001.

Before 11 May 1989, regulations commenced on their notification day unless otherwise stated (see Interpretation Ordinance 1914, s 5, Interpretation Ordinance 1937 s 16, Interpretation Act 1967 s 50, Subordinate Laws Act 1989 s 6).

Legislation before becoming Territory enactment

Fire Brigade Regulations 1958 No 1
   notified 2 January 1958
   commenced 2 January 1958

as amended by

Amendments of Fire Brigades Regulations 1960 No 5
   notified 11 August 1960
   commenced 11 August 1960

Amendments of Fire Brigades Regulations 1969 No 2
   notified 19 June 1969
   commenced 19 June 1969

Amendments of Fire Brigades Regulations 1974 No 31
   notified 25 November 1974
   commenced 25 November 1974

Regulations to revise regulations in force under Ordinances of the ACT 1979 No 26 sch
   notified 29 November 1979
   commenced 29 November 1979

Self-Government (Consequential Amendments) Ordinance 1989 No 38 sch 3
   notified 10 May 1989 (Cwlth Gaz 1989 No S160)
   s 1, s 2 commenced 10 May 1989 (s 2 (1))
   sch 3 commenced 11 May 1989 (s 2 (2) and see Cwlth Gaz 1989 No S164)
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4 Amendment history

Legislation after becoming Territory enactment

Regulations Revision (Penalties) Regulations 1996 No 8 sch
notified 6 June 1996
commenced 6 June 1996 (reg 2)

Legislation (Consequential Amendments) Act 2001 No 44 pt 151
notified 26 July 2001 (Gaz 2001 No 30)
s 1, s 2 commenced 26 July 2001 (IA s 10B)
pt 151 commenced 12 September 2001 (s 2 and Gaz 2001 No S65)

4 Amendment history

Name of regulations
reg 1 am 1974 No 31 reg 1; R2 LA

Definitions for regulations
reg 2 def commercial building am 1974 No 31 reg 2

Minister or authorised person may direct installation of fire appliances
reg 3 am 1969 No 2 reg 1; 1974 No 31 sch; 1979 No 26 sch; 1996 No 8 sch

Inspection etc of fire appliances in commercial buildings
reg 4 om 1960 No 5 reg 1

Attendance of brigade members at public meetings etc
reg 5 am 1969 No 2 reg 2; 1974 No 31 reg 3, sch

Chief officer to fix fees for approved services rendered by brigade
reg 5A renum as reg 6

Chief officer may give directions in an emergency
reg 5B renum as reg 7

Chief officer to fix fees for approved services rendered by brigade
reg 6 orig reg 6 am ord 1989 No 38 sch 3
om Act 2001 No 44 amd 1.1715
(prev 5A) ins 1960 No 5 reg 2
am 1974 No 31 sch
renum as reg 6 Act 2001 No 44 amd 1.1716

Chief officer may give directions in emergency
reg 7 (prev 5B) ins 1974 No 31 reg 4
renum as reg 7 Act 2001 No 44 amd 1.1716
5 Earlier republications

Some earlier republications were not numbered. The number in column 1 refers to the publication order.

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