

Australian Capital Territory

# Innkeepers Liability Act 1902 No 64

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# About this republication

#### The republished law

This is a republication of the *Innkeepers Liability Act 1902* as in force on 11 June 2002. It includes any amendment, repeal or expiry affecting the republished law to 5 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.

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

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

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#### 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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# **Innkeepers Liability Act 1902**

An Act to consolidate enactments about the liability of innkeepers

# 1 Name of Act

This Act is the Innkeepers Liability Act 1902.

# 2 Definitions for Act

In this Act:

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

*inn* means any hotel, inn, tavern, public house, or other place of refreshment the keeper of which was, before the enactment of this Act, responsible by law for the goods and property of his or her guests and lodgers.

*innkeeper* means the keeper of an inn.

# 4 No innkeeper liable for loss exceeding \$40

No innkeeper shall be liable to make good to any guest or lodger of such innkeeper any loss of or injury to goods or property brought to his inn, not being a horse or other live animal or any gear appertaining thereto or any carriage, to a greater amount than the sum of \$40, except in the following cases:

- (a) where such goods or property have been stolen, lost, or injured through the act, default or neglect of such innkeeper or any servant in his employ; or
- (b) when such goods or property have been deposited expressly for safe custody with such innkeeper;

Provided always that in the case of such deposit such innkeeper if he thinks fit may require as a condition to his liability that such goods or property shall be deposited in a box or other receptacle, fastened and sealed by the person depositing the same.

# 5 Receipt of property for safe custody

If any innkeeper refuses to receive for safe custody, as mentioned in section 4, any goods or property of his or her guests or lodger, or if any guest or lodger, through any default of the innkeeper, is unable to deposit the goods or property as mentioned in that section, the innkeeper shall not be entitled to the benefit of this Act in relation to the goods or property.

### 6 Notice to be exhibited

Every innkeeper shall cause at least 1 copy of section 4, printed in plain type, to be exhibited in a conspicuous part of the hall or entrance to his or her inn, and also in each bedroom of it, and he or she shall be entitled to the benefit of this Act in relation to the goods or property only as shall be brought to his or her inn while the copy is so exhibited.

#### Endnotes

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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                           | pres = present                                   |  |
| dict = dictionary                          | prev = previous                                  |  |
| disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative | (prev) = previously                              |  |
| Assembly                                   | prov = provision                                 |  |
| 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                                  | <u>underlining</u> = whole or part not commenced |  |
| om = omitted/repealed                      | or to be expired                                 |  |

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# 3 Legislation history

This Act was originally a NSW Act—the Innkeepers' Liability Act 1902 No 64 (NSW).

The Act was in force in NSW immediately before 1 January 1911 (the date of establishment of the ACT) and was continued in force by the *Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909* (Cwlth), s 6.

Under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910* (Cwlth), s 4 the Act had effect in the ACT as if it were an ACT law (subject to ordinances made under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910*).

The Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988 (Cwlth), s 34 (4) converted most former NSW laws in force in the ACT into ACT enactments. This allowed the ACT Legislative Assembly to amend and repeal the laws. This Act was converted into an ACT enactment on 11 May 1989 (self-government day).

The Act was renamed as the *Innkeepers Liability Act 1902* by the *Statute Law Amendment Act 2001 (No 2)* (see amdt 3.421).

Under the *Interpretation Act 1967* (repealed), s 65 all former NSW Acts in force in the ACT immediately before 10 November 1999 (including this Act) became, for all purposes, laws made by the ACT Legislative Assembly. This completed the process of making former NSW Acts fully into ACT laws.

### **NSW** legislation

#### Innkeepers Liability Act 1902 No 64

assented to 4 September 1902 commenced 4 September 1902

as amended by

#### Commonwealth legislation

New South Wales Acts Application Ordinance 1984 No 41 sch 2 pt 19 notified 10 August 1984 commenced 10 August 1984

### Legislation after becoming Territory enactment

#### Statute Law Amendment Act 2001 (No 2) 2001 No 56 pt 3.26 notified 5 September 2001 (Gaz 2001 No S65) commenced 5 September 2001 (s 2 (1))

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The New South Wales Acts Application Act 1984 (previously the New South Wales Acts Application Ordinance 1984), sch 2, pt 19 sets out the text of this Act in an amended form and provided for the amended form to apply as the text of the Act in force in the ACT. This endnote, therefore, only details amendments made after the enactment of the 1984 Act.

Name of Act

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# 5 Earlier republications

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

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| Republication No | Amendments to  | Republication date |
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| 1                | Ord 1984 No 41 | 31 July 1992       |

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