

# AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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## Public Service Ordinance 1989

No. 26 of 1989

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of 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*.

Dated 27 April 1989.

BILL HAYDEN  
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

CLYDE HOLDING  
Minister of State for the Arts  
and Territories

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An Ordinance relating to the constitution and operation of the Australian  
Capital Territory Public Service

(Ord. 27/89)—Cat. No.

Authorised by the ACT Parliamentary Counsel—also accessible at [www.legislation.act.gov.au](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au)

**Short title**

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Public Service Ordinance 1989*.<sup>1</sup>

**Commencement**

2. (1) Section 1 and this section commence on the day on which this Ordinance is notified in the *Gazette*.

(2) The remaining provisions commence on the date of commencement of section 22 of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* of the Commonwealth.

**Interpretation**

3. In this Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears—

“administrative unit” means an administrative unit into which the Public Service is divided pursuant to paragraph 54 (2) (a) of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* of the Commonwealth;

“transitional staff” has the same meaning as in the *A.C.T. Self-Government (Consequential Provisions) Act 1988* of the Commonwealth.

**Public Service**

4. The Public Service shall be known as the Australian Capital Territory Public Service.

**Constitution of administrative units**

5. Each administrative unit shall comprise such of the transitional staff as the Head of Administration makes available for the purpose.

**Operations**

6. (1) The operations of the Public Service shall be as provided in this section.

(2) The Chief Minister may from time to time, by notice in the *Gazette*—

- (a) allocate to a Minister responsibility for 1 or more administrative units; and
- (b) allocate to an administrative unit responsibility for all or any of the enactments and matters for which the relevant Minister is responsible.

**NOTE**

1. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 3 May 1989.