

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ORDINANCE 1959.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM.

No. 18 of 1959

The Weights and Measures Ordinance 1929-37 provides for the adoption of regulations under the New South Wales Weights and Measures Act in force from time to time in that State. From administrative and legal points of view it is undesirable to adopt regulations which may be made in the future, so by this amendment the New South Wales regulations as in force at the date of commencement of the amending Ordinance are adopted as a law of the Territory.

Provision is made for the appointment of authorised persons to exercise the powers and perform the functions of Superintendents appointed under the N.S.W. Act (section 3).

Fees chargeable under the Ordinance are fixed by the First and Fifth Schedules. They have not been changed since the Ordinance was first introduced in 1929. This Ordinance repeals those schedules and amends sections 9 and 30 to make the fees those prescribed. Included in the New South Wales Regulations which are adopted are those fixing fees, so that the fees in the Territory will, subject to one minor exception, be the same as those in the State. The fees are approximately doubled e.g.

Fees for testing, verifying and stamping

<u>Weights.</u>	<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>
56 lb.	6d.	1.0.
28 lb.	4d.	9d.
14 lb. and 7 lb.	3d.	6d.

Measures of capacity.

8 gallons	1.0.	2.0.
5 gallons	1.0.)	
	)	1.6.
4 gallons	9d.)	

Measures of length.

One yard.	3d.	6d.
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