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# **Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Regulations 2003 No 47**

made under the

**Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994**

**Republication No 1**

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## About this republication

### The republished law

This is a republication of the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Regulations 2003*, made under the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994*, including any amendment made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 (Editorial changes). It also includes any commencement, amendment, repeal or expiry affecting the republished law up to 16 December 2003.

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 amendments

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 does not include 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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## Part 1 Preliminary

### 1 Name of regulations

These regulations are the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Regulations 2003*.

### 3 Dictionary

The dictionary at the end of these regulations is part of these regulations.

*Note 1* The dictionary at the end of these regulations defines certain terms used in these regulations, and includes references (*signpost definitions*) to other terms defined elsewhere.

For example, the signpost definition '*Queensland patient*—see the Queensland agreement.' means that the term 'Queensland patient' is defined in that agreement and the definition applies to these regulations.

*Note 2* A definition in the dictionary (including a signpost definition) applies to the entire Act unless the definition, or another provision of the Act, provides otherwise or the contrary intention otherwise appears (see Legislation Act, s 155 and s 156 (1)).

### 4 Notes

A note included in these regulations is explanatory and is not part of these regulations.

*Note* See Legislation Act, s 127 (1), (4) and (5) for the legal status of notes.

## Part 2 Interstate application of mental health laws

### 5 Notification of interstate agreements

An agreement entered into under the Act, section 48C (1) is a notifiable instrument.

*Note* A notifiable instrument must be notified under the Legislation Act.

### 6 Corresponding laws—Act, s 48D (1)

The following are corresponding laws for the Act, part 5A:

- (a) the *Mental Health Act 1990* (NSW);
- (b) the *Mental Health Act 1986* (Vic);
- (c) the *Mental Health Act 2000* (Qld).

### 7 Interstate custodial patients—Act, s 48D (2)

The following are interstate custodial patients for the Act, part 5A:

- (a) a person apprehended or detained under the NSW Act, chapter 4, part 2 (Involuntary admission to hospitals), division 1 (Admission to and detention in hospitals);
- (b) a person who is a continued treatment patient as defined in the NSW Act, schedule 1 (Dictionary of terms used in the Act);
- (c) a person who is a temporary patient as defined in the NSW Act, schedule 1;
- (d) a person subject to a hospital order or restricted hospital order under the Victorian Act, section 16 (Transfer of mentally ill prisoners);

- (e) a person who is the subject of a warrant issued under the Victorian Act, section 53AA (Warrant to arrest security patient absent without leave who leaves Victoria);
- (f) a person apprehended under the Victorian Act, section 53AD (Apprehension of forensic patient absent without leave);
- (g) a person who is a classified patient under the Queensland Act, section 69 (Classified patients);
- (h) a person subject to an order under the Queensland Act, section 101 (Court may order person's detention in authorised mental health service);
- (i) a person subject to the Queensland Act, section 185 (Apprehension of involuntary patients interstate);
- (j) a person subject to an order under the Queensland Act, section 273 (1) (b) (Orders about custody);
- (k) a person subject to an order under the Queensland Act, section 288 (Mental Health Court may make forensic order);
- (l) a person subject to an order under the Queensland Act, section 302 (Minister may make forensic order for persons subject to custody order);
- (m) a person subject to an order for detention in a stated authorised mental health service under the Queensland Act, section 337 (6) (Appeal powers).

**8 Corresponding people for interstate custodial patients—  
Act, s 48D (3)**

For the Act, section 48D (3)—

- (a) an interstate custodial patient mentioned in regulation 7 (a) corresponds to a person being detained under the Act,



section 38, with the detention having commenced at the time the person arrives at the place mentioned in regulation 12; and

- (b) an interstate custodial patient mentioned in another paragraph of regulation 7 corresponds to a person subject to a custody order under the Act, section 26 (1), 27, 72 or 74, as the case requires, that was made at the time specified in the interstate apprehension or transfer order.

## **9 Interstate non-custodial orders—Act, s 48D (4)**

The following are interstate non-custodial orders for the Act, part 5A:

- (a) an order under the NSW Act, section 118 (Making of community counselling orders);
- (b) an order under the NSW Act, section 131 (Making of community treatment orders).

## **10 Recognition of interstate apprehension orders—Act, s 48P**

It is a condition of recognition of an interstate apprehension order that the order complies with the interstate agreement under which it is issued and any applicable requirements of the relevant corresponding law.

## **11 People authorised to apprehend under interstate apprehension orders—Act, s 48Q (1) (d)**

The following people are authorised to apprehend a person under an interstate apprehension order:

- (a) a mental health officer;
- (b) a doctor.

*Note* Police officers and people authorised under corresponding laws are also authorised (see the Act, s 48Q (1) (c) and (d)).

**12 Place to which people can be taken under interstate apprehension orders—Act, s 48R (e)**

The only place in the ACT that a person apprehended under an interstate apprehension order can be taken to and detained at is The Canberra Hospital.

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## Dictionary

(see reg 3)

*Note 1* The Legislation Act contains definitions and other provisions relevant to these regulations.

*Note 2* For example, the Legislation Act, dict, pt 1, defines the following terms:

- doctor
- under.

*Note 3* Terms used in these regulations have the same meaning that they have in the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Regulations 1994* (see Legislation Act, s 148). For example, the following terms are defined in the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Regulations 1994*, section 4:

- mental health officer.

***interstate agreement*** means any of the following agreements about the interstate application of mental health laws:

- (a) the agreement dated 25 July 2002 between the Minister for Health for the ACT and the Minister for Health of the State of Victoria (the ***Victorian agreement***);
- (b) the agreement dated 30 August 2002 between the Minister for Health for the ACT and the Minister for Health of the State of Queensland (the ***Queensland agreement***);
- (c) the agreement dated 18 November 2003 between the Minister for Health for the ACT and the Minister for Health of the State of New South Wales (the ***New South Wales agreement***).

***interstate apprehension order*** means an interstate apprehension order under an interstate agreement.

***NSW Act*** means the *Mental Health Act 1990* (NSW).

***Queensland Act*** means the *Mental Health Act 2000* (Qld).

***Victorian Act*** means the *Mental Health Act 1986* (Vic).

## 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 Assembly	(prev...) = previously
div = division	prov = provision
exp = expires/expired	pt = part
Gaz = Gazette	r = rule/subrule
hdg = heading	reg = regulation/subregulation
IA = Interpretation Act 1967	renum = renumbered
ins = inserted/added	reloc = relocated
LA = Legislation Act 2001	R[X] = Republication No
LR = legislation register	RI = reissue
LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996	s = section/subsection
mod = modified / modification	sch = schedule
No = number	sdiv = subdivision
num = numbered	sub = substituted
o = order	SL = Subordinate Law
om = omitted/repealed	<u>underlining</u> = whole or part not commenced or to be expired

### 3 Legislation history

#### **Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Regulations 2003 SL2003-47**

notified LR 15 December 2003

reg 1, reg 2 commenced 16 December 2003 (LA s 75 (1))

remainder commenced 16 December 2003 (reg 2)

### 4 Amendment history

#### **Commencement**

reg 2                      om LA s 89 (4)

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