

REGISTRAR-GENERAL ACT.

New South Wales



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Act No. 67, 1973.

An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to the offices of Registrar-General and Deputy Registrar-General; for this purpose to amend the Registration of Deeds Act, 1897, the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1899 and the Real Property Act, 1900; to repeal the Real Property and Conveyancing (Amendment) Act, 1901; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 18th October, 1973.]

BE

Registrar-General.

No. 67, 1973 **BE** it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as the "Registrar-General Act, 1973".

Registrar-General. 2. The Governor may, under and subject to the Public Service Act, 1902, appoint a person to be Registrar-General.

Deputy Registrars-General. 3. (1) The Governor may, under and subject to the Public Service Act, 1902, appoint such number of persons as he thinks necessary to be Deputy Registrars-General.

(2) A person holding office or acting as Deputy Registrar-General may exercise and perform the same powers, authorities, duties and functions as are conferred and imposed on the Registrar-General by or under any Act, and any such power, authority, duty or function exercised or performed by a person so holding office or acting shall be deemed to have been exercised or performed by the Registrar-General.

Seal of office. 4. (1) The Registrar-General shall have a seal of office bearing an impression of the Arms of the State of New South Wales, and having inscribed in the margin thereof the words "Registrar-General, New South Wales".

cf. Act No. 68, 1901, s. 5. (2) Where the Registrar-General or a Deputy Registrar-General, acting or purporting to act under the authority of any Act, issues, signs or makes any instrument, document or writing, the instrument, document or writing is not invalid by reason of any informality in the manner or time of affixing, impressing, or printing the seal of the Registrar-General thereon, or of the omission to affix, impress or print the seal thereon.

(3)

Registrar-General.

(3) All courts and persons acting judicially—

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(a) shall take judicial notice of the seal of the Registrar-General that has been affixed to any instrument or document; and

(b) shall until the contrary is proved presume that the seal was properly affixed.

(4) Subsection (3) applies in relation to any seal authorised for use before the commencement of this Act, as well as to the seal authorised for use by this Act.

5. A statutory declaration may be made before the Registrar-General or a Deputy Registrar-General, and when so made shall have the same effect as if made before a justice of the peace.

Statutory
declarations.
cf. Act
No. 68,
1901,
s. 6.

6. (1) Each Act specified in Column 1 of the Schedule is amended in the manner set forth opposite that Act in Column 2 of the Schedule.

Amendment
of Acts.

(2) The Real Property and Conveyancing (Amendment) Act, 1901, is hereby repealed.

Repeal of
Act No.
68, 1901.

7. (1) The person holding office as Registrar-General immediately before the commencement of this Act shall be deemed to have been appointed Registrar-General pursuant to this Act.

Transitional.

(2) A person holding office as Deputy Registrar-General immediately before the commencement of this Act shall be deemed to have been appointed as Deputy Registrar-General pursuant to this Act.

SCHEDULE

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Sec. 6 (1).

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AMENDMENT OF ACTS

Column 1.		Column 2.
Year and No. of Act.	Short title of Act.	Amendment.
1897, No. 22	Registration of Deeds Act, 1897.	Section 3 (1)— Omit the subsection.
1899, No. 17	Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1899.	Section 4 (2)— Omit the subsection.
1900, No. 25	Real Property Act, 1900.	Section 5 (1)— Omit "deputy registrars-general and other". Sections 6, 7 and 8— Omit the sections.