

METRIC CONVERSION ACT, 1978, No. 67

New South Wales



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Act No. 67, 1978.

An Act to amend certain references in Acts to physical quantities
so as to convert them to the metric system of measurement.
[Assented to, 6th April, 1978.]

Metric Conversion.

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 :—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Metric Conversion Act, Short title. 1978".

2. The provisions of this Act are for the purpose of metric conversion, as referred to in section 3 of the Metric Conversion (Savings) Act, 1974. ^{Purpose of Act.}

3. In this Act or in an instrument made for the purposes of this Act, a reference to an Item or Item number, however expressed, is a reference to a number in the column headed "Item No." in Column 2 of Schedule 1 and the provision of that Schedule set forth opposite that number. ^{Interpretation.}

4. (1) This Act, sections 5, 6 and 7 and Schedules 1, 2 and 3 excepted, shall commence on the date of assent to this Act. ^{Commencement.}

(2) The provisions of section 5, in so far as they effect an amendment specified by an Item in Schedule 1, and of that Item, shall commence on such day as may be appointed by the Governor in respect of that Item, whether by reference to that Item or otherwise, and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

(3) Section 6 and Schedule 2 shall commence on such day as the Governor may, under section 2 (2) of the Dairy Industry (Amendment) Act, 1973, appoint and notify as the day upon which section 4 (b) of that Act shall commence.

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(4) Section 7 and Schedule 3 shall commence on such day as the Governor may, under section 1 (2) of the Aerial Spraying Control Act, 1969, appoint and notify as the day upon which that Act shall commence.

Schedules.

5. This Act contains the following Schedules :—

SCHEDULE 1.—AMENDMENTS TO VARIOUS ACTS.

SCHEDULE 2.—AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN PROVISIONS TO BE INSERTED IN THE DAIRY INDUSTRY ACT, 1915, BY SECTION 4 (b) OF THE DAIRY INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1973.

SCHEDULE 3.—AMENDMENTS TO THE AERIAL SPRAYING CONTROL ACT, 1969.

Amendment
of Acts.

6. Each Act specified in Column 1 of Schedule 1 is amended in the provision of that Act specified opposite thereto in the column headed "Provision of Act." in Column 2 of that Schedule—

(a) by omitting from that provision the matter specified opposite that provision in the column headed "Matter to be omitted." in Column 2 of that Schedule, other than such matter, if any, as appears in brackets and is printed in italics; and

(b) by inserting instead the matter specified opposite that provision in the column headed "Matter to be inserted." in Column 2 of that Schedule.

Amendment
of Act No.
23, 1973.

7. A provision to be inserted in the Dairy Industry Act, 1915, by section 4 (b) of the Dairy Industry (Amendment) Act, 1973, being a provision specified in Schedule 2, is amended in the manner set forth in relation to that provision in that Schedule.

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8. The Aerial Spraying Control Act, 1969, is amended in the manner set forth in Schedule 3. Amendment
of Act No.
11, 1969.

SCHEDULE 1.

Sec. 6.

AMENDMENTS TO VARIOUS ACTS.

| Column 1. | | Column 2. | | | |
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| Year and number of Act. | Short title of Act. | Provision of Act. | Matter to be omitted. | Matter to be inserted. | Item No. |
| 1902, No. 19. | Native Dogs Destruction and Poisoned Baits Act, 1901. | Section 12. . . | three-quarters of a mile | 1 kilometre . . . | 1 |
| | | Section 12. . . | one hundred yards (wherever occurring) | 90 metres . . . | 2 |
| | | Section 13 (1). . . | six feet . . . | 2 metres . . . | 3 |
| | | Second Schedule. | miles (wherever occurring) | kilometres . . . | 4 |
| 1902, No. 36. | Cattle Slaughtering and Diseased Animals and Meat Act, 1902. | Section 19. . . | three miles . . . | 5 kilometres . . . | 5 |
| | | Section 34. . . | one mile . . . | 1.6 kilometres . . . | 6 |
| | | Section 36. . . | half a mile . . . | 0.8 kilometre . . . | 7 |
| | | Section 36. . . | a quarter of a mile (wherever occurring) | 0.4 kilometre . . . | 8 |
| | | Section 41. . . | one mile . . . | 1.6 kilometres . . . | 9 |
| 1912, No. 58. | Height of Buildings (Metropolitan Police District) Act, 1912. | Section 2 (2) (b). . . | eighty feet . . . | 23.384 metres . . . | 10 |
| | | Section 2 (2) (c). . . | eighty feet . . . | 23.384 metres . . . | 11 |
| | | Section 2 (2). . . | twenty-one feet . . . | 6.4008 metres . . . | 12 |
| | | Section 4 (1) (a). . . | eighty feet . . . | 23.384 metres . . . | 13 |
| | | Section 4 (1) (b). . . | one hundred and fifty feet . . . | 45.72 metres . . . | 14 |
| | | Section 4 (2) (a). . . | eighty feet . . . | 23.384 metres . . . | 15 |
| | | Section 4 (2) (b). . . | one hundred and fifty feet . . . | 45.72 metres . . . | 16 |
| | | Section 4 (3). . . | eighty feet . . . | 23.384 metres . . . | 17 |
| | | Section 4 (4). . . | one hundred and fifty feet (wherever occurring) | 45.72 metres . . . | 18 |
| | | Section 4A (1) (a). . . | eighty feet . . . | 23.384 metres . . . | 19 |
| | | Section 4C (a). . . | one hundred and fifty feet (wherever occurring) | 45.72 metres . . . | 20 |
| | | 1915, No. 45. | Dairy Industry Act, 1915. | Section 21A (1A). . . | one pound . . . |
| Section 21A (1A). . . | half a pound . . . | | | 250 grams . . . | 22 |
| Section 22B (1). . . | fourteen pounds . . . | | | 6.35 kilograms . . . | 23 |
| Section 22B (2) (a). . . | fourteen pounds . . . | | | 6.35 kilograms . . . | 24 |
| Section 22B (2) (b) (i). . . | fourteen pounds . . . | | | 6.35 kilograms . . . | 25 |
| 1916, No. 24. | Apiaries Act, 1916. | Section 12B (2). . . | two miles . . . | 3 kilometres . . . | 26 |
| 1921, No. 14. | Registration of Stock Brands Act, 1921. | Section 7. . . | one and a-half inches (wherever occurring) | 38 millimetres . . . | 27 |
| | | Section 7. . . | three inches (wherever occurring) | 76 millimetres . . . | 28 |
| | | Section 7. . . | half an inch (wherever occurring) | 13 millimetres . . . | 29 |

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| Column 1. | | Column 2. | | | |
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| Year and number of Act. | Short title of Act. | Provision of Act. | Matter to be omitted. | Matter to be inserted. | Item No. |
| 1921, No. 15. | Agricultural Seeds Act, 1921. | Section 9 (1). | one pound by weight | 500 grams | 30 |
| 1923, No. 34. | Stock Diseases Act, 1923. | Section 20 (1) (b). | half a mile | 1 kilometre | 31 |
| 1924, No. 38. | Plant Diseases Act, 1924. | Section 19 (1). | ten cents per acre | 25 cents per hectare | 32 |
| 1933, No. 17. | Dairy Products Act, 1933. | Section 7 (2) (a). | hundredweight | 50 kilograms | 33 |
| | | Section 7 (2) (b). | hundredweight | 50 kilograms | 34 |
| | | Section 7 (3). | forty pounds in weight | 18 kilograms | 35 |
| 1934, No. 51. | Fertilizers Act, 1934. | Section 4 (b). | half a hundredweight | 25 kilograms | 36 |
| | | Section 5 (2) (b). | a sieve of thirty meshes to the linear inch, measured according to a prescribed standard | a British Standard sieve having openings of 0.5 millimetre | 37 |
| | | Section 6 (1) (b). | two hundred pounds | 90 kilograms | 38 |
| | | Section 13. | two miles | 3 kilometres | 39 |
| | | Section 16 (1) (c). | two pounds | 1 kilogram | 40 |
| | | Section 27. | two pounds in weight | 1 kilogram | 41 |
| 1939, No. 7. | Dried Fruits Act, 1939. | Section 6 (6) (a). | five hundredweights | 250 kilograms | 42 |
| | | Section 6 (6) (b). | five hundredweights | 250 kilograms | 43 |
| | | Section 27 (2). | ton (wherever occurring) | tonne | 44 |
| 1940, No. 5. | Swine Branding Act, 1940. | Section 14 (f). | three inches | 8 centimetres | 45 |
| 1940, No. 13. | Potato Growers Licensing Act, 1940. | Section 3 (1). | one-quarter of one acre (wherever occurring) | 1 011 square metres | 46 |
| | | Section 3 (4). | one-quarter of one acre (wherever occurring) | 1 011 square metres | 47 |
| 1941, No. 55. | Agricultural Holdings Act, 1941. | Section 4 (1) (definition of "Holding"). | two acres | 8 000 square metres | 48 |
| | | Section 5 (2) (a). | two acres | 8 000 square metres | 49 |
| 1945, No. 16. | Fish River Water Supply Administration Act, 1945. | Section 8A (1). | ten cents per thousand gallons | 2.2 cents per kilolitre | 50 |
| | | Section 8A (2). | thousand gallons | kilolitre | 51 |
| 1973, No. 47. | Private Irrigation Districts and Water (Amendment) Act, 1973. | Section 20 (2) (b) (i). | 200 acres | 80 hectares | 52 |
| | | Section 20 (2) (b) (ii). | 200 acres | 80 hectares | 53 |
| | | Section 48 (1). | acre | hectare | 54 |
| | | Section 48 (2). | acre | hectare | 55 |
| | | Section 49. | acre | hectare | 56 |
| | | Section 52. | acres (wherever occurring) | hectares | 57 |
| | | Section 52. | an acre | a hectare | 58 |

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SCHEDULE 2.

Sec. 7.

AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN PROVISIONS TO BE INSERTED IN THE
DAIRY INDUSTRY ACT, 1915, BY SECTION 4 (b) OF THE
DAIRY INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1973.

(1) (a) Section 21A (2) (a)—

Omit "one pound or half a pound", insert instead
"500 grams or 250 grams".

(b) Section 21A (2) (b) (ii)—

Omit "weight", insert instead "mass".

(2) (a) Section 21B (2) (a)—

Omit "one pound, half a pound or twelve ounces",
insert instead "500 grams, 250 grams or 375 grams".

(b) Section 21B (2) (b) (ii)—

Omit "weight", insert instead "mass".

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SCHEDULE 3.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AERIAL SPRAYING CONTROL ACT, 1969.

(1) Section 9 (2) (g)—

Omit "acre", insert instead "hectare".

(2) Section 9 (2) (h)—

Omit "acreage", insert instead "area".
