

**Reprint  
as at 17 August 1923**



**Ross Dependency Boundaries and  
Government Order in Council 1923**

(SR 974)

**Ross Dependency: provision for government thereof**

Wellington, 14th August 1923

His Majesty's Order in Council under the British Settlements Act 1887, making provision for the government of the coast of the Ross Sea and the territories adjacent thereto, is published hereunder pursuant to the provisions of the said Order in Council and by the authority of His Excellency the Governor-General of New Zealand.

F H D Bell,  
Minister of External Affairs.

At the Court of Buckingham Palace, the 30th day of July 1923.

Present:  
The King's Most Excellent Majesty  
Lord President  
Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare  
Lord Chamberlain  
Major George Tryon

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**Note**

Changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in this reprint.

A general outline of these changes is set out in the notes at the end of this reprint, together with other explanatory material about this reprint.

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## Order

Whereas by the British Settlements Act 1887 it is, amongst other things, enacted that it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council from time to time to establish all such laws and institutions and constitute such courts and officers as may appear to His Majesty in Council to be necessary for the peace, order, and good government of His Majesty's subjects and others within any British settlement:

And whereas the coasts of the Ross Sea, with the islands and territories adjacent thereto, between the 160th degree of east longitude and the 150th degree of west longitude, which are situated south of the 60th degree of south latitude, are a British settlement within the meaning of the said Act:

And whereas it is expedient that provision should be made for the government thereof:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers by the said Act, or otherwise, in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

### 1

From and after the publication of this order in the Government *Gazette* of the Dominion of New Zealand, that part of His Majesty's Dominions in the Antarctic seas which comprises all the islands and territories between the 160th degree of east longitude and the 150th degree of west longitude which are situated south of the 60th degree of south latitude shall be named the Ross Dependency.

**2**

From and after such publication as aforesaid the Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion of New Zealand for the time being (hereinafter called the **Governor**) shall be the Governor of the Ross Dependency; and all the powers and authorities which by this order are given and granted to the Governor for the time being of the Ross Dependency are hereby vested in him.

**3**

In the event of the death or incapacity of the said Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion of New Zealand, or in the event of his absence from the said Dominion, the officer for the time being administering the government of the Dominion shall be Governor for the time being of the Ross Dependency.

**4**

The said Governor is further authorised and empowered to make all such rules and regulations as may lawfully be made by His Majesty's authority for the peace, order, and good government of the said Dependency, subject, nevertheless, to any instructions which he may from time to time receive from His Majesty or through a Secretary of State.

**5**

The Governor is authorised to make and execute, on His Majesty's behalf, grants and dispositions of any lands which may lawfully be granted or disposed of by His Majesty within the said Dependency, in conformity with such rules and regulations as may from time to time be in force in the Dependency.

M P A Hankey

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## **Notes**

### **1 *General***

This is a reprint of the Ross Dependency Boundaries and Government Order in Council 1923. The reprint incorporates all the amendments to the order as at 17 August 1923, as specified in the list of amendments at the end of these notes.

Relevant provisions of any amending enactments that contain transitional, savings, or application provisions that cannot be compiled in the reprint are also included, after the principal enactment, in chronological order. For more information, *see* <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/reprints/>.

### **2 *Status of reprints***

Under section 16D of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by the amendments to that enactment. This presumption applies even though editorial changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in the reprint.

This presumption may be rebutted by producing the official volumes of statutes or statutory regulations in which the principal enactment and its amendments are contained.

### **3 *How reprints are prepared***

A number of editorial conventions are followed in the preparation of reprints. For example, the enacting words are not included in Acts, and provisions that are repealed or revoked

are omitted. For a detailed list of the editorial conventions, see <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/> or Part 8 of the *Tables of New Zealand Acts and Ordinances and Statutory Regulations and Deemed Regulations in Force*.

#### **4 *Changes made under section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989***

Section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 authorises the making of editorial changes in a reprint as set out in sections 17D and 17E of that Act so that, to the extent permitted, the format and style of the reprinted enactment is consistent with current legislative drafting practice. Changes that would alter the effect of the legislation are not permitted. A new format of legislation was introduced on 1 January 2000. Changes to legislative drafting style have also been made since 1997, and are ongoing. To the extent permitted by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, all legislation reprinted after 1 January 2000 is in the new format for legislation and reflects current drafting practice at the time of the reprint.

In outline, the editorial changes made in reprints under the authority of section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 are set out below, and they have been applied, where relevant, in the preparation of this reprint:

- omission of unnecessary referential words (such as “of this section” and “of this Act”)
- typeface and type size (Times Roman, generally in 11.5 point)
- layout of provisions, including:
  - indentation
  - position of section headings (eg, the number and heading now appear above the section)
- format of definitions (eg, the defined term now appears in bold type, without quotation marks)
- format of dates (eg, a date formerly expressed as “the 1st day of January 1999” is now expressed as “1 January 1999”)

- position of the date of assent (it now appears on the front page of each Act)
- punctuation (eg, colons are not used after definitions)
- Parts numbered with roman numerals are replaced with arabic numerals, and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- case and appearance of letters and words, including:
  - format of headings (eg, headings where each word formerly appeared with an initial capital letter followed by small capital letters are amended so that the heading appears in bold, with only the first word (and any proper nouns) appearing with an initial capital letter)
  - small capital letters in section and subsection references are now capital letters
- schedules are renumbered (eg, Schedule 1 replaces First Schedule), and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- running heads (the information that appears at the top of each page)
- format of two-column schedules of consequential amendments, and schedules of repeals (eg, they are rearranged into alphabetical order, rather than chronological).

**5** *List of amendments incorporated in this reprint  
(most recent first)*

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