

**Reprint  
as at 5 January 2016**



**Legislation (Official Versions) Regulations 2013  
(SR 2013/243)**

Legislation (Official Versions) Regulations 2013: revoked, on 5 January 2016, by regulation 4 of the Legislation (Official Versions) Regulations 2015 (LI 2015/267).

Jerry Mateparae, Governor-General

**Order in Council**

At Wellington this 10th day of June 2013

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 22 of the Legislation Act 2012, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

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**Note**

Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Legislation Act 2012 have been made in this official reprint.  
Note 4 at the end of this reprint provides a list of the amendments incorporated.

**These regulations are administered by the Parliamentary Counsel Office.**

## Regulations

### 1 Title

These regulations are the Legislation (Official Versions) Regulations 2013.

### 2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 5 August 2013.

### 3 Features of official versions of legislation

- (1) This regulation specifies the features that identify official versions of legislation that the Chief Parliamentary Counsel may issue under section 17 of the Legislation Act 2012.
- (2) This regulation applies to—
  - (a) versions of legislation issued by the Chief Parliamentary Counsel in portable document format (PDF) on the New Zealand Legislation website ([www.legislation.govt.nz](http://www.legislation.govt.nz)); and
  - (b) printed versions of legislation issued by the Chief Parliamentary Counsel or issued on his or her behalf by a contracted printer.
- (3) An official version of legislation—
  - (a) must display or exhibit on its front page a representation of the New Zealand Coat of Arms; and
  - (b) may contain a statement to the effect that the legislation—
    - (i) is issued under the authority of the New Zealand Government; or
    - (ii) is issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012 or was originally issued under the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 or a corresponding former Act.

Rebecca Kitteridge,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

### Explanatory note

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations, which come into force on 5 August 2013, prescribe the features of official versions of legislation.

The regulations provide that the New Zealand Coat of Arms is the distinguishing feature of official versions of legislation issued by the Chief Parliamentary Counsel under the Legislation Act 2012. Another familiar feature may also appear on official versions of legislation, namely, a statement to the effect that the legislation is issued under the authority of the New Zealand Government or the Legislation Act 2012.

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Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.  
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## Reprints notes

### **1** *General*

This is a reprint of the Legislation (Official Versions) Regulations 2013 that incorporates all the amendments to those regulations as at the date of the last amendment to them.

### **2** *Legal status*

Reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by any amendments to that enactment. Section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012 provides that this reprint, published in electronic form, has the status of an official version under section 17 of that Act. A printed version of the reprint produced directly from this official electronic version also has official status.

### **3** *Editorial and format changes*

Editorial and format changes to reprints are made using the powers under sections 24 to 26 of the Legislation Act 2012. See also <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/>.

### **4** *Amendments incorporated in this reprint*

Legislation (Official Versions) Regulations 2015 (LI 2015/267): regulation 4