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Department of Labour,  
Perth, 30th June, 1947.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Executive Council, acting pursuant to section 17 of the *Shearers' Accommodation Act 1912*, has been pleased to make, under and for the purposes of the Act, the regulations set forth in the Schedule hereunder.

C. A. REEVE,  
Secretary for Labour.

### **1. Citation**

These regulations may be cited as the *Shearers' Accommodation Act 1912, Regulations*, and shall be read, subject to sections 2, 4 and 6A of the Act.

### **2. Repeal**

All regulations heretofore made under and for the purposes of the *Shearers' Accommodation Act 1912*, are hereby repealed.

### **3. Interpretation**

In these regulations "**the Act**" shall mean the *Shearers' Accommodation Act 1912*, and terms used shall, unless the contrary intention appears, have the same meanings as those given to such terms by the Act.

**4. Inspectors**

The certificate of appointment of an Inspector shall be in the form numbered 1 in the Appendix to these regulations.

**5. Health and Sanitary Provisions**

No compartment provided for the sleeping accommodation of shearers shall contain more than three bunks, bedsteads or stretchers and the floor space shall be of sufficient area to permit such bunks, bedsteads or stretchers to be placed on the floor of the room, with sufficient area between them to provide space for the ordinary convenience of any person using the room, and which shall not be less than three feet. Every bunk shall rest on the floor of the room or compartment and bunks in tiers, one above the other, will not be permitted. Every bunk, bedstead and stretcher shall be maintained in good order and condition, be kept clear of the floor and free from vermin.

**6. Lighting in sleeping and dining rooms**

In every sleeping and dining room, sufficient light shall not be deemed to be provided unless the window or light area be not less than one-twelfth of the floor area.

**7. Ventilation in sleeping and dining rooms**

In every sleeping and dining room, the minimum ventilation to be provided in every part thereof shall be in the ratio of twenty-four square inches of inlet and twenty-four square inches of outlet of uncontrolled ventilation area to each hundred square feet of floor area. The situation of ventilating openings, and the general arrangements of the ventilation, shall be subject to the approval of the Inspector.

**8. Storage of tools etc.**

No tools, implements or perishable provisions shall be stored in any dining room or sleeping compartment.

**9. Flooring in sleeping rooms**

All rooms or compartments used for sleeping purposes or for dining in shall be floored with wood, cement, flagstones, asphalt or such other material as the Inspector may approve.

**10. Cesspits, latrines, etc.**

- (a) Where an Inspector is of opinion that the use of a cesspit at any shearing shed should be discontinued, he may, by order in writing, require the employer, within the time specified in such order, to discontinue the use of such cesspit and to provide in lieu thereof such other sufficient and proper latrine accommodation as may be specified in such order.
- (b) Every employer shall cause all latrines, drains and receptacles for refuse which are provided for the use of shearers to be disinfected daily while in use.

**11. Drainage and disposal of waste water**

Every employer shall, to the satisfaction of the Inspector, make proper provision for the efficient drainage and disposal of all waste water and liquid from baths, washing utensils, kitchen and dining room.

**12. Refuse receptacles**

The receptacles for refuse provided by the employer shall have flyproof covers and if used for the reception of other than dry refuse, be constructed of impervious material, and shall be emptied and cleansed daily while in use.

**13. Tent accommodation**

Where tent accommodation is provided for shearers by any employer, each such tent so provided which is used for sleeping accommodation or for dining purposes shall be fitted with a suitable fly, shall if required by the Inspector be floored to his satisfaction, and shall not be used for the storage of tools, implements or perishable provisions.

**14. Notices**

Any notice given by an Inspector under the provisions of section 8, sub-section 2 of the Act shall be in the Form 2 in the Appendix to these regulations.

**15. Notices under section 12 of the Act**

Any notice given by an Inspector under the provisions of section 12 of the Act shall be in the Form 3 in the Appendix to these regulations.

**16. Penalties**

Any person committing a breach of these regulations shall, on conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.



**Appendix**

**Form 1**

(Regulation 4)

*Shearers' Accommodation Act 1912*

**INSPECTOR'S CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ has been appointed  
to be an Inspector under the provisions of the *Shearers' Accommodation*  
*Act 1912*, and that he is duly authorised to exercise all the powers of an  
Inspector conferred by the said Act and Regulations made thereunder.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_ .  
Minister.

**Form 2**

(Regulation 14)

*Shearers' Accommodation Act 1912*

**NOTICE OF DAMAGE**

Date

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To

You are hereby notified in accordance with the provisions of the abovenamed Act that in my opinion the following damage has been done to your property and that such damage has been caused or suffered to be done by the shearers occupying the said property.

Inspector.



**Notes**

- <sup>1.</sup> This is a compilation of the *Shearers' Accommodation Act 1912, Regulations* and includes the amendments referred to in the following Table.

**Compilation table**

<b>Citation</b>	<b>Gazettal</b>	<b>Commencement</b>
<i>Shearers' Accommodation Act 1912, Regulations</i>	4 Jul 1947 pp.1228-9	4 Jul 1947
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