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STATE CHILDREN ACT, 1907.

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Colonial Secretary's Office,
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HIS Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to approve of the following Regulations, made under "The State Children Act, 1907."

F. D. NORTH,
Under Secretary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Regulations under the State Children Act, 1907.

1. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

"Committee" means a boarding out committee appointed under Section 9 of the Act.

"Child" means State Child.

"Superintendent" includes matron.

"Visitor" includes a member of a boarding out committee.

Boarding Out Committees.

2. Each committee shall consist of not less than three members, and shall confine its operations to the district specified in the appointment.

3. It shall be the duty of the committee to render assistance generally to the Department, when required from time to time, and to see that the Act and regulations are faithfully obeyed—

(a) by children released on probation by order of the Court, and

(b) by foster-mothers, foster-parents, and employers.

4. Each committee shall elect one of its members to act as correspondent, whose duty it shall be to keep the minutes of its proceedings, and to carry on the correspondence with the Department.

Institutions.

5. (1.) Subject to the control and direction of the Secretary, the resident superintendent of a Government institution shall be responsible for the custody of all children admitted therein, and shall see that all the officers carry out their duties satisfactorily.

(2.) Subject to the Act and these regulations, the resident superintendent of a subsidised institution shall be responsible for the custody of all children admitted therein, and shall see that all officers carry out their duties satisfactorily.

6. The superintendent of an institution shall keep all books and records required by the Department, and promptly report to the Secretary the absconding, serious illness, or death of a child, and any other special event which may occur.

7. Each inmate shall have a separate bed, and shall be furnished with a sufficiency of serviceable clothing.

8. The inmates shall be supplied with plain wholesome food, according to a dietary scale approved by the Secretary. A copy of such scale shall be hung in the dining-room, and shall be adhered to as strictly as possible.

9. Secular instruction shall be given for not less than three hours daily, and shall consist of reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, and, as far as possible, the elements of English, geography, history, drawing, and vocal music.

Provided that secular instruction shall be given for not less than five hours daily to children under eleven years of age.

10. (1.) Industrial training for boys shall be in farm and garden work, and any other handicraft that can be conveniently practised.

(2.) Industrial training for girls shall be in needlework, washing, ironing, housework, and, where cows are kept, milking.

(3.) Such training shall be carried on for not more than six, nor less than four hours daily.



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