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WESTERN AUSTRALIA

STANDARD SURVEY MARKS ACT 1924

AN ACT to enable the Surveyor General to erect standard survey marks, to provide for their protection, and for other purposes incidental thereto.

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Standard Survey Marks Act 1924*.

Interpretation

2. In this Act—

“Authorized land officer” has the meaning given by the *Land Act 1933*.

“Local Authority” means the Council of a Municipality or Road Board.

“Survey Mark” means any cairn, beacon, structure, post, peg, block, plug, tube, pipe, spike, pole, or other mark of whatsoever material composed, placed, sunk, or set up as a standard survey mark by the authority of the Surveyor General or, after the commencement of section 46 of the *Acts Amendment (Land Administration) Act 1987*, of an authorized land officer under the powers contained in this Act.

“Surveyor” means a surveyor licensed under the *Licensed Surveyors Act 1909*.

[*Section 2 amended by No. 126 of 1987 s. 46.*]

Standard survey

3. An authorized land officer may cause a standard survey to be made in any locality for the purpose of establishing standard survey marks.

Plans representing all such surveys shall be retained in the Department of Land Administration² and certified copies supplied to the Registrar of Titles, the Under Secretary for Public Works³, and the local authority.

[*Section 3 amended by No. 126 of 1987 s. 47.*]

Power to fix standard survey marks

4. An authorized land officer, or any surveyor specially authorized by him,—

- (a) may enter and re-enter from time to time upon any land, or any public or private road, street or way, with such assistants as he thinks fit, for the purpose of making a standard survey;
- (b) may take materials from, or dig and bore into any land, road, street or way, so as to ascertain the nature of the soil, and may mark building, wall, or fence for the purpose of making a standard survey;
- (c) may fix or set up thereon or therein any standard survey mark which he considers advisable; and
- (d) may do all things necessary for carrying out such survey in accordance with any regulations in force for the time being, or for any inspection, renewal, repair, or alteration of any standard survey mark.

[*Section 4 amended by No. 126 of 1987 s. 48.*]

Notice of intention to fix standard survey marks

5. Whenever practicable, reasonable notice shall be given by an authorized land officer, or any surveyor authorized by him, to the local authority of the intention to place standard survey marks in the roads, streets, or ways of any district.

[*Section 5 amended by No. 126 of 1987 s. 49.*]

Survey marks to be preserved

6. (1) When, under the powers contained in this Act, the Surveyor General or, after the commencement of section 50 of the *Acts Amendment (Land Administration) Act 1987*¹, an authorized land officer has caused standard survey marks to be placed in any road, street, or way for the permanent marking of the survey thereof so that the position of the corner of any road, street, or way may be readily found for the alignment of such road, street, or way, or for the purpose of locating the position of any allotment, or for any other purpose, the local authority for the time being shall protect and preserve such standard survey marks as aforesaid, and shall not destroy, mutilate, deface, alter, or take away any such marks as aforesaid without the written authority of an authorized land officer.

(2) Every person who, without the authority of an authorized land officer, destroys, mutilates, defaces, takes away, or alters the position of any standard survey marks, or who obstructs any surveyor in carrying out any standard survey, shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding \$40.

[Section 6 amended by No. 113 of 1965 s. 8(1); No. 126 of 1987 s. 50.]

Regulations

7. The Governor may make regulations for the purposes of this Act.

Repeal

8. [Section 8 omitted under Reprints Act 1984 section 7 (4)(f).]

NOTES

¹ This reprint is a compilation as at 13 February 1989 of the *Standard Survey Marks Act 1924* and includes all amendments effected by the other Acts referred to in the following Table.

Table of Acts

Act	Number and Year	Assent	Commencement	Miscellaneous
<i>Standard Survey Marks Act 1924</i>	8 of 1924	25 November 1924	25 November 1924	
<i>Decimal Currency Act 1965</i>	113 of 1965	21 December 1965	Sections 4 to 9: 14 February 1966 (see section 2(2)); balance on assent	

<i>Acts Amendment (Land Administration) Act 1987, Part X</i>	126 of 1987	31 December 1987	The Act (except Part IX): 16 September 1988 (see Gazette 16 September 1988 p. 3637)
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² Title changed pursuant to section 7(3)(h) of the *Reprints Act 1984*.

³ Now the chief executive officer assisting the Minister responsible for the administration of the *Public Works Act 1902*.
