

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ORDINANCE 1970

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No. 71 of 1970

An Ordinance to amend the *Weights and Measures Ordinance 1936-1965*

[Assented to 10 December, 1970]

BE it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory of Australia as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Weights and Measures Ordinance 1970*.

Short title
and citation

(2.) The *Weights and Measures Ordinance 1936-1965* is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance as amended by this Ordinance may be cited as the *Weights and Measures Ordinance 1936-1970*.

2. This Ordinance shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.*

Commencement

3. Section 5 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by inserting after the definition of "Inspector" the following definition:—

Definitions

"'Intended Weight', in relation to a loaf of bread, means the weight impressed upon, or stamped or printed upon the material wrapping, that loaf;".

4. Section 29 of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

"29. A baker, in respect of each loaf of bread exceeding six ounces in weight which he bakes for sale, shall legibly and prominently—

Weight of
bread to
be shown

(a) impress upon that loaf; or

(b) stamp or print upon the material wrapping that loaf,

the weight that the loaf is intended to be.

Penalty: Fifty dollars."

* The date fixed was 14 April, 1971 (see *Northern Territory Government Gazette* No. 5 of 3 February, 1971, page 36).

Inspectors
to enter
shops, stop
carts, &c.,
to weigh
bread

5. Section 30 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—
- (a) by omitting sub-section (2.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section:—
- “(2.) An Inspector acting in pursuance of the last preceding sub-section who discovers a loaf of bread which weighs less than the weight impressed upon, or the weight stamped or printed upon the material wrapping, that loaf shall weigh four or more loaves, excluding the loaf discovered, selected at random from the loaves which are found upon entry or search.”
- (b) by omitting from sub-section (3.) the words “or seller”;
- (c) by omitting sub-section (4.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-sections:—
- “(4.) If, on the weighing of the loaves in pursuance of sub-section (2.) of this section, any deficiency is found in the total intended weight of those loaves the baker shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding Fifty dollars.
- “(5.) In a prosecution for an offence against sub-section (4.) of this section it is a defence if the accused person proves that one or more of the four or more loaves weighed was not baked within the period of twenty-four hours immediately preceding the time of its being weighed by the Inspector.”

Repeal of
section 31

6. Section 31 of the Principal Ordinance is repealed.
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