

ENDEMIC DISEASES ORDINANCE 1928-1957.*

An Ordinance to provide for the Control of Endemic Diseases.

Short title.
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amended:
N . 17, 1938,
s. 4.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Endemic Diseases Ordinance 1928-1957*.*

Commence-
ment.

2. This Ordinance shall commence on a date to be fixed by the Government Resident by notice in the *Gazette*.†

Definitions.
Amended by
No. 12, 1957,
s. 2.

3. In this Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears—

“Carrier” means any person who harbours in his body a parasite or any developmental stage of a parasite which causes disease;

“Endemic disease” means Malaria Fever, Dengue Fever, Filariasis, Hookworm disease, Enteric Fever, Dysentery and Relapsing Fever;

“Health Officer” means any officer appointed under the *Health Ordinance 1915-1924*;

“The Chief Health Officer” means the person appointed under the *Quarantine Act 1908-1950* to be the Chief Quarantine Officer (General), Northern Territory.

Persons arriving
in North
Australia to
answer
questions of
Health Officer.

4. Every person who arrives in North Australia shall answer truly to the best of his knowledge all questions asked him by the Chief Health Officer or any other Health Officer as to his previous residence, his health before and during his journey to

* The *Endemic Diseases Ordinance 1928-1957* comprises the *Endemic Diseases Ordinance 1928* as amended. Particulars of the Principal Ordinance and of the amending Ordinance are set out in the following table:—

Ordinance.	Number and Year.	Date notified in Commonwealth Gazette.	Date of Assent by Administrator.	Date of Commencement.
<i>Endemic Diseases Ordinance 1928</i>	No. 6, 1928	27th April, 1928	15th October, 1928
<i>Endemic Diseases Ordinance 1957</i>	No. 12, 1957	12th April, 1957 ..	12th April, 1957

† The date fixed was 15th October, 1928—see table above.

North Australia, and as to the likelihood of his having been exposed to infection of any Endemic disease before or during such journey.

Penalty: Fifty pounds.

5. The Chief Health Officer or any Health Officer may at all reasonable times examine any person for the purpose of ascertaining whether he is suffering from or is a carrier of any Endemic disease.

Examination of persons for Endemic disease.

6. If any person is suffering or is suspected of suffering from or being a carrier of an Endemic disease, he shall submit himself to such examination and treatment and comply with such restrictions as the Chief Health Officer or other Health Officer directs and may be removed or required to proceed to an isolated place and, if so removed or required to proceed, he shall remain in that isolated place for such period as is directed.

Persons suffering from Endemic disease to submit to examination, treatment and restriction.

Penalty: One hundred pounds.

7. No person suffering or having suffered from or suspected of suffering from or being a carrier of an Endemic disease shall, for such period as is directed, proceed to or enter any part of North Australia which he is directed by the Chief Health Officer or other Health Officer not to proceed to or enter.

Restriction on movements of person suffering from Endemic disease.

Amended by No. 12, 1957, s. 3.

Penalty: One hundred pounds.

8. All expenses incurred in connexion with the removal or isolation of any person under the provisions of this Ordinance and the cost of any food and medicines supplied to him may be recovered by the Government Resident from the person so removed or isolated, or, where the person so removed or isolated is a child, from the parent or guardian of the child.

Expenses of removal, isolation and maintenance.

9 — (1.) The Government Resident may make regulations, not inconsistent with this Ordinance, prescribing all matters which by this Ordinance are required or permitted to be prescribed or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Ordinance, and for prescribing penalties not exceeding Fifty pounds for any breach of the regulations.

Regulations.

(2.) All regulations made by the Government Resident under this Ordinance shall be notified in the *Gazette*, and copies thereof shall forthwith be forwarded to the Minister.

(3.) The Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*, disallow any regulation, and such regulation shall thereupon cease to have effect.