

# STATUTORY RULES.

1915. No. 81.

## PROVISIONAL REGULATIONS UNDER THE WAR PRECAUTIONS ACT 1914-1915.

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby certify that, on account of urgency, the following Regulations under the *War Precautions Act 1914-1915* should come into immediate operation, and make the Regulations to come into operation forthwith as Provisional Regulations.

Dated this twenty-seventh day of May, One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

R. M. FERGUSON,  
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

G. F. PEARCE,  
Minister of State for Defence.

## AMENDMENTS TO WAR PRECAUTIONS REGULATIONS 1915 (S.R. 1915, No. 77).

The War Precautions Regulations 1915 are amended—

(a) by inserting in Regulation 57, after Sub-regulation (1), the following Sub-regulations:—

“(1A) As soon as practicable after the arrest of a person not an alien enemy or a person subject to the Naval Discipline Act or to Military Law, who is alleged to be guilty of an offence against the Act, notice in writing shall be given to him in the following form:—

*Notice under War Precautions Act 1914-1915, Section 6.*

I, [name and rank] Commandant of the Military District [or officer deputed by the Commandant] hereby give notice to you [name, residence, and designation of person alleged to be guilty of offence] that you are charged with [here insert description of offence, as: The following contravention of the War Precautions Regulations 1915; that is to say,—without lawful authority injuring a wire used for the transmission of telegraph messages]. And I give you notice that for such offence you are liable to be prosecuted in a Court of civil jurisdiction either summarily or upon indictment, but not by Court-martial.

[Signature].....”

“(1a) As soon as practicable after the arrest of any alien enemy or of any person subject to the Naval Discipline Act or to Military Law, or (in the event of a proclamation by the Governor-General under sub-section (7) of section 6 of the Act, which extends to the area in which the offence is alleged to have been committed) as

soon as practicable after the arrest of any person, who is alleged to have committed an offence against the Act, notice in writing shall be given to him in the following form:—

*Notice under War Precautions Act 1914-1915, Section 8.*

I, [name and rank] Commandant of the Military District [or officer deputed by the Commandant] hereby give notice to you [name, residence, and designation of person alleged to be guilty of offence] that you are charged with [here insert description of offence, as: The following contravention of the War Precautions Regulations 1915; that is to say—without lawful authority injuring a wire used for the transmission of telegraph messages]. And I give you notice that for such offence you are liable to be prosecuted in a Court of civil jurisdiction either summarily or upon indictment or to be tried by Court-martial.

[Signature]....."; and

- (b) by omitting from Sub-regulation (1) of Regulation 58 the words "under these Regulations," and inserting in their stead the words "against the Act."