

**No. 731.****EMERGENCY POWERS ORDERS IN COUNCIL, 1939 AND 1952.**

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1939 AND 1952.

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Please see S. 2

of 56/103

JOHN HARDING,

Governor.

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 6 of the Emergency Powers Orders in Council, 1939 and 1952, I, the Governor, do hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Emergency Powers (Public Safety and Order) Regulations, 1955.

2.—(1) For the purpose of these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“ammunition” means ammunition for any firearm as defined in the Firearms Law, and includes grenades, bombs and other like missiles, whether capable of use with such firearm or not;

← “essential work” means such work as may for the time being be declared by Order of the Governor to be of public utility or essential for the maintenance of public order and safety or to the life of the community;

“explosive” has the same meaning as “explosive substance” in the Explosive Substances Law;

“firearms” has the same meaning as “firearms” in the Firearms Law;

“gramophone record” includes a dictaphone cylinder and any other device for the reproduction of recorded sounds;

← “land” includes—

- (a) land covered with water;
- (b) buildings, houses and other erections, or parts thereof;
- (c) standing trees or timber or growing crops or grass;
- (d) springs, wells and water rights, whether held together with, or independently of, any land;

← “military installation” means any building, installation or other property belonging to, or used by, Her Majesty’s Naval, Military or Air Forces or any arm, branch or part thereof, and includes any building or installation belonging to, or used by, the Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes or any other welfare organization associated with Her Majesty’s Naval, Military or Air Forces;

“newspaper” means any paper containing any public news, intelligence, report of occurrences or any remarks, observations or comments in relation to such news, intelligence or occurrences, printed for sale or free distribution, and includes a supplement thereto;

“postal packet” means a letter, postcard, newspaper, book packet, pattern or sample packet, legal and commercial documents, packet of photographs or gramophone records and every packet, parcel or article transmitted or intended for transmission by post;

“public property” means any building, installation or other property belonging to, or used by, the Government of Cyprus or any department thereof, or belonging to, or used by, Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom;

“road” includes any highway, street, thoroughfare, bridle-path, pathway, blind alley, passage, footway, right of way, pavement or public square;

“ship” and “vessel” have respectively the same meanings as in the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, but shall not include a ship or vessel belonging to Her Majesty;

“vehicle” means any vehicle designed or adapted for use on any road or railway and includes any other means of conveyance whatsoever.

(2) The Interpretation Law shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations and of any Order made or direction given thereunder, as it applies to the interpretation of a Law and, for the purposes of the said Law, these Regulations shall be deemed to be Laws.

Cap. 1.  
30 of 1953.  
19 of 1954.  
30 of 1954.  
42 of 1955.

ARREST, RESTRICTION OF MOVEMENTS AND DETENTION.

3.—(1) Any police officer or any member of Her Majesty's Naval, Military or Air Forces acting in the course of his duty as such may arrest without warrant any person who he has reasonable ground for suspecting has acted or is acting or is about to act in a manner prejudicial to public safety or to public order or to have committed or is about to commit an offence against these Regulations.... (amended, see S. 2 of 56/59)

Power to arrest without warrant.

(2) Any person so arrested shall be brought as soon as reasonably may be before—

(a) a Naval, Military or Air Force Officer not below the rank of Lieutenant-Commander, Major or Squadron-Leader, respectively, within the District, if the arrest was effected or made by a member of Her Majesty's Naval, Military or Air Forces ; or

(b) the Superintendent of Police or Assistant Superintendent of Police within the District, if the arrest was effected or made by a police officer,

and such person may, by order of such Naval, Military or Air Force Officer within the District or of the Superintendent of Police or Assistant Superintendent of Police within the District, as the case may be, be lodged in any place or building there to be detained for such period as may be specified in the order, not exceeding forty-eight hours:

(3) Any person detained as in this Regulation provided shall be deemed to be in legal custody during the period of such detention.

4. Any police officer or any member of Her Majesty's Naval, Military or Air Forces may—

Power to stop, detain and search persons.

(a) stop, detain and search any person and may seize anything found on such person which he has reason to suspect is being used or intended to be used for any purpose or in any way prejudicial to public safety or public order ;

(b) require any person to stop and answer any questions which may reasonably be addressed to him ;

(c) require any person to furnish him, either verbally or in writing, with any information he may require and to attend at such time and at such place as he may direct for the purpose of furnishing such information:

If any person fails to comply with any requirement under this Regulation he shall be guilty of an offence against this Regulation.

amended by S. 2 of 56/61

5.—(1) The Governor, if satisfied, with respect to any person, that with a view to preventing him acting in a manner prejudicial to public safety or public order, it is necessary so to do, may make an Order for all or any of the following purposes, that is to say—

Restriction of movements.

(a) for securing that, except in so far as he may be permitted by the Order, or by such authority or person as may be specified in the Order, that person shall not be in any such area in the Colony as may be so specified ;

(b) for prohibiting or restricting the possession or use by that person of any specified articles or things ;

(c) for requiring him to notify his movements, in such manner, at such times and to such authority or person as may be specified in the Order ;

(d) for requiring him to stay in the house or place where he resides ;

(e) .... (Please see S. 2 of 57/77)

(2) If any person is in any area in contravention of an Order made under this Regulation, or fails to leave any area in accordance with the requirements of such an Order, then, without prejudice to any proceedings which may be taken against him, he may be removed from that area by any police officer or by any person authorized in that behalf by the Governor.

Detention  
Orders.

Sec 3.2 of 56/1971

6.—(1) If the Governor has any reasonable cause to believe any person—

- (a) to have been ~~recently~~ concerned in acts prejudicial to public safety or public order or in the preparation or instigation of such acts ;
- (b) to have been or to be a member or to have been or to be active in the furtherance of the objects of an organisation which is subject to foreign influence or control ;
- (c) to be an undesirable alien,

and that, by reason thereof, it is necessary to exercise control over him, the Governor may make an Order against such person, directing that he be detained in such place as may be specified in the Order and in accordance with instructions issued by him.

(2) Any person detained in pursuance of this Regulation shall be deemed to be in lawful custody and the provisions of any Law in force for the time being relating to any person in lawful custody for any criminal or other offence shall apply to a person detained under this Regulation as they apply to a person in lawful custody for any criminal or other offence.

(3) At any time after an Order has been made against any person under this Regulation, the Governor may direct that the operation of the Order be suspended subject to such conditions and restrictions as the Governor may think fit, and the Governor may revoke any such direction if he is satisfied that the person against whom the Order was made has failed to observe any condition or restriction so imposed or that the operation of the Order can no longer remain suspended without detriment to public safety or to public order.

If any person fails to comply with a condition attached or restriction imposed to a direction given by the Governor under this paragraph of this Regulation, that person shall, whether or not the direction is revoked in consequence of the failure, be guilty of an offence against this Regulation.

(4)—(a) For the purposes of this Regulation, there shall be one or more advisory committees consisting of persons appointed by the Governor; and any person aggrieved by the making of an Order against him or by the suspension of the operation of such an Order may make his objection to such a committee.

(b) Any meeting of an advisory committee held to consider any such objection as aforesaid shall be presided over by a chairman nominated by the Governor and it shall be the duty of the chairman to inform the objector of the grounds on which the Order had been made against him and to furnish him with such particulars as are, in the opinion of the chairman, sufficient to enable the objector to present his case. The chairman shall report to the Governor the findings of the advisory committee on every such objection.

(c) It shall be the duty of the Governor to secure that any person against whom an Order is made under this Regulation shall be afforded the earliest practicable opportunity of making to the Governor representations in writing with respect thereto and that he shall be informed of his right, whether or not such representations are made, to make his objections to such an advisory committee as aforesaid.

#### DEPORTATION.

Deportation  
Orders.

7.—(1) The Governor may make an Order under his hand (in these Regulations referred to as a "deportation Order") for the deportation of any person from the Colony.

(2) A deportation Order shall require the person in respect of whom it is made to leave and remain out of the Colony and it may be made subject to any condition which may be specified by the Governor in such Order.