

HIS HIGHNESS, MALEITOA TANUMAFILI, II, HEAD OF STATE

ORDER

At the Government House at Apia this 1st day of March 1966

PURSUANT to the Water Act 1965, the Head of State, acting on the advice of the Minister of Works, hereby makes the following regulations.

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REGULATIONS

1. Title—These regulations may be cited as the North Upolu Water Supply Regulations 1966.

Notice of these regulations was published in the *Gazette* of 1 December 1969, p. 38.

2. Commencement—These regulations shall come into force on the day on which they are made.

3. Interpretation—In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“Act” means the Water Act 1965;

“District” means the North Upolu Water Supply district, as described in section 3 of the Act;

“Waterworks” and “Water supply” mean the North Upolu Waterworks and Water Supply respectively.

4. List of approved plumbers and water fitters—(1) The Director shall compile and keep a list of plumbers and water fitters from time to time licensed by him for the work of connecting premises to the water supply.

(2) No plumber or water fitter shall be entitled to compensation or damages from the Director, the Minister or the Government by reason of the refusal or cancellation of a licence or his name not appearing on that list, or being deleted therefrom.

5. Application for permit—(1) An owner or occupier of premises in the district who applies in writing to the Director under section 37 of the Act to supply water to such premises shall:

(a) State his full name, occupation, address and age;

(b) State whether he applies as owner or occupier or both;

(c) If he is not both owner and occupier, state the full name, occupation and address of the owner or occupier, as the case may be;

- (d) Describe the premises;
 - (e) State the size of connecting pipe desired to be used if larger than **three quarters of an inch** pipe;
 - (f) State whether an ordinary or an extraordinary supply is desired;
 - (g) State the number of taps intended to be installed;
 - (h) Name the plumber or water fitter desired to be employed to connect the premises with the water supply; and
 - (i) Be accompanied by a fee of **[\$2]**.
- (2) If the Director refuses to agree to the application, he shall refund the fee of **[\$2]** with his notice in writing of such refusal.

In subclause (1) (e) the words "three quarters of an inch" were substituted for the words "half inch" by regulation 2 of the North Upolu Water Supply Regulations 1966, Amendment No. 1.

In subclause (1) (i) and in subclause (2) the words "two tala", here expressed in figures, were substituted for the words "one pound" by regulation 3 (a) of the North Upolu Water Supply Regulations 1966, Amendment No.1.

6. Permit—(1) A permit in writing from the Director to connect premises with the water supply shall,—

- (a) State whether or not he approves use of a connecting pipe larger than **three quarters of an inch**, and if so the size approved;
 - (b) State whether the supply will be ordinary or extraordinary;
 - (c) State whether the employment of the nominated plumber or water fitter is approved or not;
 - (d) Require payment of the estimated cost of supplying and laying a pipe or pipes of such diameter as the Director shall think fit from the nearest main or sub-main of the water supply to the most convenient boundary of the premises (hereinafter called the public pipe) if that is to be done by the Director; and
 - (e) Require at least 2 days' notice in writing of the day and time at which the owner or occupier intends to commence to lay a public pipe or a pipe to connect with the public pipe.
- (2) A permit may also give any directions, not inconsistent with these regulations, as to the appliances to be installed, or as to the drainage to be provided.

In subclause (1) (a) the words "three quarters of an inch" were substituted for the words "half inch" by regulation 2 of the North Upolu Water Supply Regulations 1966, Amendment No. 1.

7. Requirements of work—In connecting any premises with the water supply pursuant to a permit, the owner or occupier or his plumber or water fitter shall—

- (a) Use **three quarters of an inch** connecting pipe for at least 30 feet from the public pipe before connecting with a larger size pipe except where a larger size pipe has been applied for and approved by the Director;
- (b) Bury all pipes at least 12 inches in the ground;
- (c) Secure all pipes with pipe hooks or other approved clips;
- (d) Within the land included in the premises and in the public or connecting pipe, instal a stopcock in a strong box made of durable timber or other approved durable material;
- (e) Instal only high pressure taps and stopcocks of an approved pattern;
- (f) Connect the water supply to any closet installed or to be installed in the premises;

- (g) Not connect any water pipe to any buried cistern;
- (h) Not instal any black iron pipe; and
- (i) Generally carry out all such work to the satisfaction of the Director.

In para. (a) the words "three quarters of an inch" were substituted for the words "half inch" by regulation 2 of the North Upolu Water Supply Regulations 1966, Amendment No. 1.

8. One connecting pipe only—No owner or occupier of a dwellinghouse shall, except with the special permission of the Director, be entitled to have his dwellinghouse connected with any main or sub-main or public pipe by more than one connecting pipe.

9. Connecting pipe to serve one dwellinghouse only—No owner or occupier of a dwellinghouse shall permit or allow the public pipe (whether by a connecting pipe or otherwise) to serve another dwellinghouse, except with the special permission of the Director, and no such permission shall be given, unless the 2 dwellinghouses are owned by the same person, and no such permission shall endure after the severance of such ownership.

10. Notice of completion of work—The plumber or water fitter connecting any premises with the public pipe from the water supply pursuant to a permit shall give notice in writing to the Director when he considers that the work is finished and ready for inspection.

11. Inspection—The Director shall inspect the work as soon as possible after receiving such notice in writing, and shall thereafter notify the plumber or water fitter in writing that he has passed the work, or as to his requisitions.

12. Nature of requisitions—Such requisitions shall—

- (a) Specify what is required to be done to enable the work to be passed by the Director; and
- (b) Specify any damage done or caused to the waterworks through bad workmanship of the plumber or water fitter or inferior material used by him, and required to be repaired.

13. Compliance with requisitions—The plumber or water fitter shall comply with all requisitions of the Director within one week of receiving notice in writing thereof.

14. Restoring roadway—(1) Wherever any plumber or water fitter has excavated a trench across a public road for a pipe line, he shall restore the roadway to the satisfaction of the Director. If subsequent subsidence of fresh filling causes a depression, the plumber or water fitter shall make up the surface afresh to the satisfaction of the Director.

(2) Where a public road so excavated was surfaced with tar, bitumen or macadam, the plumber or water fitter shall restore the surface to its condition prior to excavation.

15. Monthly returns—Every plumber and water fitter shall forward to the Director before the twentieth day of each month a return of the connections he has made to the water supply during the immediately preceding month. Any plumber or water fitter who fails so to do shall have his named removed from the list referred to in regulation 4 hereof, and shall not be entitled to have his

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name restored to that list or to make any further connection to the water supply until he has forwarded to the Director all returns required to be forwarded by this regulation.

16. Alterations and additions—The foregoing regulations shall apply, with the necessary modifications, to any alterations in or additions to the water service to any premises from the water supply.

17. Offences—Any person who commits a breach of any of these regulations shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding **[\$20]**, and in the case of a continuing offence to a further fine not exceeding **[\$6]** for each day during which the offence continues.

The words "twenty tala", here expressed in figures, were substituted for the words "ten pounds" and the words "six tala", here expressed in figures, were substituted for the words "three pounds" by regulation 3 (b) of the North Upolu Water Supply Regulations, Amendment No. 1.

18. Revocation—The Board of Health Regulations No. 8 are hereby revoked.

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Head of State.
