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## PUBLIC HEALTH (BAKERIES AND BREAD VENDORS) REGULATIONS 1940

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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Health (Bakeries and Bread Vendors) Regulations 1940.
2. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-
  - “**baker**” means any person who bakes bread, cakes, or other bakery products in a bakery;
  - “**bakery**” means any premises used for the purpose of producing bread, cakes, or other bakery products for public sale;
  - “**bread vendor**” means any person who sells or offers for sale bread, cakes, or other bakery products.
3. All bakeries and bread vendors shall be registered with the Department of Public Health, and such Department may defer registration until such time as the requirements of these regulations shall have been complied with. No person shall conduct a bakery or sell bread until such time as the necessary registration has been obtained.

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4. Registration shall be for one year or part thereof ending on the last day of December.
5. The Public Health Department may cancel any registration for any breach of the regulations in addition to any other penalty prescribed by the Act.
6. The name of the proprietor shall be legibly written on a sign and affixed to the bakery in a prominent place.
7. The name of the proprietor shall be affixed to any vehicle used in distributing bread, cakes or other bakery products.
8.
  - (1) Any premises used as a bakery shall be distinct from any premises used for domestic purposes.
  - (2) Any premises used as a bakery shall be provided with thorough ventilation and light to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health, and shall not be connected with or to any room used as a bathroom or latrine.
  - (3) The floor of the bakery shall be constructed of concrete or wood to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health. All materials used for premises or fixtures must be of approved material to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health.
  - (4) The premises shall be enclosed by a suitable fence or protected in such a way as to prevent animals and poultry gaining access to the site.
  - (5) No animals or poultry shall be allowed on the bakery premises.
  - (6) Any utensils used for producing bread, cakes, or other bakery products shall be made of materials which in the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health shall not adversely affect such bread, cakes, or other bakery products.
  - (7) The inside of the bakery shall be whitewashed at least once in every three consecutive months.
  - (8) The inside of the bakery shall be screened from flies or rodents to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health.
9.
  - (1) No person who is suffering from infectious or contagious disease, or is living in a house in which there is a case of infectious disease, shall enter

- or remain in any bakery, until a Certificate of Health is given to such person from the Medical Officer of Health.
- (2) No person suffering from boils or skin disease, shall be allowed to work in a bakery or sell bread until he shall be free from such condition and given a certificate to that effect by the Medical Officer of Health.
10. The Medical Officer of Health or Sanitary Inspector may require that any registered baker-with a view to preventing spread of disease-shall furnish him with a full and complete list of the names and addresses of the customers to whom such registered baker has supplied bread.
11. The Medical Officer of Health or Sanitary Inspector or any duly authorised Health Officer may enter and inspect any premises used for the purpose of producing or selling bread, cakes, or other bakery products and any person who wilfully obstructs or resists such entry or inspection shall be deemed guilty of an offence against these regulations.
12. Any person who works in a bakery shall obtain once in every three consecutive months a certificate of health from the Public Health Department.
13. All flour and other ingredients shall be kept in receptacles fitted with covers and protected from flies and other vermin to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health.
14. All bread or bakery products shall be protected from dust, flies and other vermin, to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health.
15. Any person who works in a bakery shall wear clean apparel to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health.
16. All bread, cakes and other bakery products shall be kept covered during delivery.
17. Any person acting in contravention of these regulations shall be liable on conviction thereof before a magistrate to a fine not exceeding \$20 and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 3 months.

Made by the Minister of Health