

BERMUDA STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

**PUBLIC HEALTH (PRIVIES AND CESSPITS) (CLEANSING)
REGULATIONS 1930**

*[made on 12 August 1930 under section 7 of the Public Health Act 1930 [repealed]
and brought into operation on 4 May 1931]*

ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

- 1 Garbage not to be emptied into watercloset or privy
- 2 When privy to be emptied
- 3 Hours for removal of contents of privies and cesspits
- 4 Vehicle or receptacle to be properly covered
- 5 Avoidance of deposit on roads
- 6 Burial depth
- 7 Chief Medical Officer may restrict disposal of nightsoil

Garbage not to be emptied into watercloset or privy

1 No garbage or house refuse shall be emptied into any privy or watercloset.

When privy to be emptied

2 (1) Where a privy is so filled with faecal matter as to have, measuring from the floor, less air space than one quarter of the capacity of the pit, the privy shall immediately be cleaned.

(2) Privies and cesspits shall be cleaned out at any time if a Health Inspector so directs.

(3) If any person is aggrieved by the actions of a Health Inspector under paragraph (2) he may state his grievance to the Chief Medical Officer who shall forward it in writing to the Minister.

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Hours for removal of contents of privies and cesspits

3 The hours within which the Minister may permit the removal of the contents of privies and cesspits shall be 12 midnight to 6 a.m.

Vehicle or receptacle to be properly covered

4 A properly covered vehicle or receptacle shall be used for the purpose of removing the contents of a privy or cesspit along a highway.

Avoidance of deposit on roads

5 (1) No filth shall, on its removal, be allowed to become deposited on any road, footway, pavement or carriage way.

(2) If, during the removal of filth, any filth becomes deposited on a road, footway, pavement or carriage way, then such place shall at once be thoroughly swept, or otherwise properly cleansed, by the person removing the filth.

Burial depth

6 No contents of privies or cesspits, or the effluent of sewerage systems, shall be thrown on the surface of the ground or deposited in shallow trench or pits, but shall be buried at a depth of not less than one foot.

Chief Medical Officer may restrict disposal of nightsoil

7 (1) The Chief Medical Officer may prohibit the burial or disposal of nightsoil in any locality where, in his opinion, such burial or disposal would constitute a menace to the public health.

(2) If any person is aggrieved by the action of the Chief Medical Officer under the foregoing paragraph he may submit his grievance in writing for the determination of the Minister.

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