

JEWELLERS (LICENSING)

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The Jewellers (Licensing) Rules

(SECTION 10)

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1. These rules may be cited as the Manufacturing Jewellers (Licensing) Rules.
2. (1) Registers shall be kept by all jewellers residing or carrying on business in the Colony.

(2) Such registers shall contain the following particulars of all jewellery and precious metals received or acquired by such jewellers either by way of purchase or for the purpose of alteration or conversion –
 - (a) date of receipt or acquisition;
 - (b) name and address of person from whom received or acquired;
 - (c) description and weight;
 - (d) price paid (if any);
 - (e) date of disposal;
 - (f) manner of disposal (e.g., sold, melted, converted or altered, with name of purchaser, if purchased, or nature of conversion or alteration, accounting for any change of weight involved).
- (3) Any such jeweller negligently failing to keep correctly such register shall be liable, on conviction, to fine and imprisonment not exceeding respectively one hundred dollars and one month.

(4) Any such jeweller wilfully making a false entry in such register shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine or imprisonment not exceeding respectively five hundred dollars and six months.

(5) Any such jeweller shall, when required to do so by any police officer not below the rank of Corporal, produce such register for inspection.

3. The fee for a licence shall be twelve dollars per annum and every licence shall expire on the 31st December of the year of issue.

4. (1) No jeweller shall until the expiration of seven days from the date of receipt or acquisition of any jewellery, sell or otherwise dispose of or cause any change to be effected in the nature or design of such jewellery by any melting or other process whatsoever.

(2) Whenever any person under suspicious circumstances offers any jewellery for sale or alteration or conversion to any jeweller such jeweller shall inquire of the person how he came by the same and if the person cannot give or refuses to give a satisfactory account of himself or of the means whereby he became possessed of such jewellery or gives any false information concerning such jewellery or concerning his name and address, or the name and address of the owner of such jewellery, or if there be any other reason to suspect that such jewellery was dishonestly obtained, such jeweller shall detain the person offering the jewellery and shall deliver him with the jewellery into the custody of any police officer who shall take the person together with the jewellery to a police station there to be dealt with according to law.

5. Any jeweller who –

- (a) fails to comply with any of the terms of a licence issued to him; or
- (b) fails to produce his register when required to do so under rule 2 (5); or
- (c) contravenes, or fails to comply with, any of the provisions of rule 4;

shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine of five hundred dollars and to imprisonment for six months.