

WESTERN PACIFIC HIGH COMMISSION.

No. 18 of 1922



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C. H. RODWELL,

High Commissioner.

25th November, 1922.

## KING'S REGULATION

TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE PUNISHMENT OF CERTAIN OFFENCES IN THE BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS PROTECTORATE.

Made by His Britannic Majesty's High Commissioner for the Western Pacific under the provisions of the Pacific Order in Council 1893.

In the name of His Majesty, GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

[25th November, 1922.]

1. This Regulation may be cited as the Preservation of Order Regulation 1922. SHORT TITLE.

2. Any person found wandering or loitering in the island of Tulagi between the hours of eight-thirty p.m. and five a.m. who on being interrogated by a police officer or constable is unable to give a satisfactory account of himself, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to the penalty prescribed in section 8 hereof. LOITERING IN TULAGI.

3.—(1) Any person who unlawfully persists in wandering or remaining upon any plantation land or premises after having been warned not to come thereon or to depart therefrom shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to the penalty prescribed in section 8 hereof. TRESPASS.

(2) Any person found in any dwelling-house or in any verandah or passage attached thereto or in any yard garden or other land adjacent to or within the curtilage of such dwelling-house with intent indecently to insult or annoy any female inmate of such dwelling-house shall be liable to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding two months. TRESPASS WITH INTENT INDECENTLY TO INSULT FEMALES.

RIOTOUS  
BEHAVIOUR.

4.—(1) Any person who shall in any street public thoroughfare or place of public resort behave in a riotous or disorderly manner and any person who shall in any other place whatsoever assemble together with others and while so assembled behave in a riotous or disorderly manner shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to the penalty prescribed in section 8 hereof.

RESISTING THE  
POLICE.

(2) Any person convicted a second time of any offence in the preceding subsection mentioned or who being apprehended for such offence violently resists any police officer or constable apprehending him and shall subsequently be convicted of such offence shall be liable to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding two months.

DRUNKENNESS  
IN STREETS, ETC.

5. Any person drunk and disorderly in any street or other public place and any person guilty of any riotous or indecent behaviour therein or insulting or obstructing or annoying any passenger therein or guilty of any riotous or indecent behaviour in any police court or station or in any place of public entertainment shall be liable to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding two months or to a fine not exceeding £10 or in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding two months unless such fine be sooner paid.

APPREHENSION  
OF OFFENDERS  
UNDER PRECED-  
ING SECTION.

6. It shall be lawful for any person whomsoever to apprehend any person who shall be found offending against sections 4 and 5 of this Regulation and forthwith to convey him before the Court to be dealt with as is hereinbefore directed or to deliver him to any police officer or constable to be so conveyed as aforesaid.

RESIDENT  
COMMISSIONER  
EMPOWERED TO  
MAKE RULES.

7. Subject to the approval of the High Commissioner the Resident Commissioner by Notice in the Gazette may make Rules consistent with the provisions of this Regulation for the protection of property and the preservation of public order and safety and may repeal or amend the same and provide penalties for the breach thereof.

PENALTY FOR  
OFFENCES.

8. Any person guilty of an offence against this Regulation or any Rule made thereunder for which no other penalty is prescribed shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding one month or to a fine not exceeding five pounds or in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding one month unless such fine be sooner paid.

MODE OF TRIAL.

9. Every offence punishable by this Regulation or Rules made thereunder may be tried and determined by the Court in a summary manner.

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*By Command,*

ROGER GREENE,  
Secretary to His Britannic Majesty's High  
Commissioner for the Western Pacific.

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