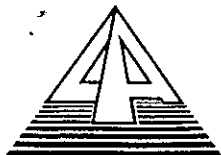


CUSTOMER INFORMATION**DOLA****BULLETIN**

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In this issue:

- (A) Transfer of Land Amendment Act 1996 ("Act")**
(B) Application for Form Approval of Transfer of Land Act Forms.

I am pleased to advise that the Transfer of Land Amendment Act 1996(Act) was passed by Parliament on the 14 November 1996.

The thrust of the amendments is to modernise current conveyancing practices, remove unnecessary sections and to provide new provisions to improve service to the community.

The following sections of the Transfer of Land Act that have been amended, repealed or added have received Royal Assent and are operational.

Sections 10, 18, 48, 52, 53, 58, 74B, 106, 121, 133, 137, 138A-138D, 141A, 145, 146, 148, 240, 240A.

There are other sections of the Transfer of Land Act that have been amended that have received Royal Assent and are in force, however these sections are of a nature that only reflect a modernisation of the Transfer of Land Act and do not have a major impact on customers.

The Act creates new sections in the Transfer of Land Act which are expected to be proclaimed on the 13th January 1997.

The new sections are:-

Act. Transfer of Land Act

28	54	Memorandum of Common Provisions
37	65 & 65A	Part IVA Easements
42	70A	Notification of factors affecting land
74	129A	Restrictive Covenants under Part IVA
75	129B	Restrictive Covenants under Part IVA
76	129BA & 129BB	Restrictive Covenants benefiting Local & Public Authorities and their removal
77	129C	Part IVA Removal of an easement or Restrictive Covenants created on Surveys by the Supreme Court.
81	136A to 136J	Creation and removal of easements and restrictive covenants on surveys

98	166	Application for new title
134	229A	Excluding removal of easement by abandonment.
141	239A	Prescribed Fee for land related information.

These new sections require the necessary regulations to be amended or added to, to establish the practice and procedure required for administration.

New forms will be required to be used and may be purchased in the usual manner.

To enable customers to use their existing stocks of forms, and new forms to be printed, DOLA will accept existing forms for lodgement for a period of four months from the anticipated proclamation date of 13th January 1997.

The amendments have caused DOLA to implement changes to the practice and procedure required to administer the Transfer of Land Act. The Land Titles Registration Practice Manual is currently being updated to reflect changes and will be available early January 1997.

The "ACT" has been printed and is available from the State Law Publisher at a cost \$12.30. The integrated act (existing and amendments) should be available in March 1997.

Supplied herewith is a pamphlet providing a summary of the "Act" and a notice regarding information and specifications of the new forms created to comply with the amendments.

Disclaimer.

The booklet provided herewith is a summary of the "Act"

You should refer to the Transfer of Land Act as amended by the Transfer of Land Amendment Act 1996 when it is fully proclaimed and the regulations made under that "Act" for full details.

APPLICATION FOR FORM APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF LAND ACT FORMS.

The Transfer of Land Amendment Act 1996 was passed by Parliament and received Royal Assent on 14 November 1996. As a result of the Amendment Act, all existing forms will require some modification. In most cases, the changes are minor, however because of the removal of certain schedules to the Transfer of Land Act 1893, (TLA), some new forms have been created. We have designed these new forms in the familiar panel format to complement the existing processes.

To comply with our customers requests and to align this State with the national trend towards the introduction of a standard format, DOLA has introduced a change to the colour and paper weight specifications for the TLA forms. Following is a description of the new specifications that will come into effect on 13 January 1997.

SPECIFICATIONS

- . Monochrome format, e.g. black text on white A4 size, 80 GSM bond paper.
- . Black ink, (text and screen background)
- . Arial font, (or similar), 10% Screen background, output to Bromide 120 lines per square inch.

The new specifications apply to documents currently produced by work processing technology and documents printed using commercial printing methods. We remind customers that all forms not produced and distributed by the State Law Publisher will require a form approval number before they can be accepted by DOLA. Approval is received by using the well established procedure of reference to the Manager Examinations Sections Tel. 273 7347 Fax. 273 7593.

As all forms have at least some minor amendments, all existing approved forms and form approval numbers will become obsolete. New forms must be resubmitted for approval in the new format and specifications described above.

For further information regarding the specifications of the monochrome format, please contact Steve Crowe of the Registration Branch Forms Design Committee, Land Titles Division on Tel. 273 7250 or Fax. 273 7593.



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