

**National Parks (Aride Island Special Reserve)
Regulations** S.I. 92 of 1979.
S.I. 21 of 1981.

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ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

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Citation. 1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Parks (Aride Island Special Reserve) Regulations.

Interpretation.
S.I. 21/1981. 2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

S.I. 99/1975.
Cap. 141
(Sub. Leg.)

“Reserve” means Aride Island Special Reserve as described by the National Parks and Nature Conservancy (Special Reserve Aride Island) (Designation) Order;

“Society” means the Society for the Promotion of Nature Conservation and includes its servants and agents;

“Warden” means the servant of the Society appointed with the agreement of the Commission, to be in charge of the Reserve.

Unlawful to kill or disturb living things or their habitats.

3. Subject to regulation 8, any person who, within the Reserve —

(a) kills, captures, takes or wilfully injures, has in his

possession, disturbs or destroys by any means whatsoever any plant or animal or the eggs, spawn, nests or shells thereof, whether marine or terrestrial and whether vertebrate or invertebrate and whether living or dead; or

- (b) removes, or wilfully disturbs any humus, soil, sand, mud, gravel, rock, coral or reef debris, for any purpose whatsoever from or in any part of the Reserve,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of R.2,000 and to imprisonment for 12 months.

4. Subject to regulation 8, any person who wilfully introduces into the Reserve any living creature, or any plant, or egg of any living creature, or any seed or other part of any plant, shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of R. 2,000 and to imprisonment for 3 months.

Introduction of plants or animals unlawful.

5. Subject to regulation 8, any person who, other than in receptacles provided for that purpose, throws down, drops, leaves or otherwise deposits anything whatsoever in such circumstances as to cause, contribute to or tend to lead to the defacement by litter or the pollution by chemicals or other noxious substances or domestic effluent of any part of the Reserve, shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of R. 2,000 and to imprisonment for 3 months.

Pollution and other acts unlawful.

6. Subject to regulation 8, any person who introduces into or has in his possession in the Reserve any weapon or device designed for or which may be used for the capture, injury or killing of any wildlife, or any explosive device or firework or any poisonous substance, shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of R. 2,000 and to imprisonment for 3 months.

Possession of weapons, traps and poisons unlawful.

7. Subject to regulation 8, any person who lights a fire or does anything likely to cause a fire in the Reserve shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of R. 2,000 and to imprisonment for 3 months.

Lighting of fires unlawful.

Authorization of certain acts for Reserve management.

8(1) The Society may, with the agreement of the Commission, authorize in writing any act which in the absence of such authorization would contravene the provisions of regulations 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7:

Provided that —

- (i) such authorization shall be confined to lawful acts related to the management of the Reserve or to scientific research within the Reserve and to the securing of these Regulations and of the Act; and
- (ii) the Society may impose such conditions on the authorization of such acts as it sees fit.

(2) Any person who fails to comply with the conditions of authorization of these acts within the Reserve, shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of R. 2,000 and to imprisonment for 3 months.

Restrictions on access.

9. The Society may, with the agreement of the Commission —

- (a) close any part or parts of the Reserve to public access;
- (b) indicate days or times when the public may land on the Reserve;
- (c) at its discretion, impose such other restrictions on public access as may be in the interests of good wildlife management.

Fees.

10. The Society may, with the agreement of the Commission, make such provision as it thinks fit for the imposing and collection of fees for entry into or performance of acts within the Reserve.