



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

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I ASSENT,

B. E. H. CLIFFORD,

*Governor.*

29th December, 1944.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Agricultural Fires  
Ordinance, Ch. 23. No. 7.

[30th December, 1944.]

Commencement.

**E**NACTED by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago  
with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council  
thereof.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Agricultural Short title.  
Fires (Amendment) Ordinance, 1944, and shall be read  
as one with the Agricultural Fires Ordinance, hereinafter Ch. 23. No. 7.  
referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

Section 4 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
amended.

2. Section 4 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by:—

(i) substituting the following for subsection (4) thereof :

“ Form of  
licence.

(4) A licence to set fire to land shall specify—

(a) the number of persons who shall be present to assist the licensee in controlling the fire ; and

(b) the number of watchmen who shall be present on the land so long as any smouldering material remains thereon ; and

(c) the period, not exceeding fourteen days, during which the licence shall be in force ; and

(d) the hours during which the fire may be set : Provided always that no fire shall be set on a day prohibited by any proclamation of the Governor ” ;

(ii) adding the following subsections:

“ Breach of  
conditions of  
licence.

(8) Any person committing a breach of any of the conditions of a licence to set fire to land shall be liable to a fine of ninety six dollars.

Form of  
licence.

(9) Every licence to set fire to land granted under this Ordinance shall be in the form in the Schedule hereto ”.

Schedule.

Section 8 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
amended.

3. Section 8 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by repealing subsection (2) thereof and adding the following subsections:—

“ (2) It shall be the duty of every occupier of land within twenty-four hours of his having notice that there is a fire on his land, to notify the Warden of the County or Ward in which the land is situate of the existence of such fire : Provided that nothing in this subsection shall apply to an occupier of land who has set fire to his land under a licence issued under this Ordinance.

(3) Any person contravening any of the provisions of this section shall be liable to a fine of ninety-six dollars.

4. Subsection (1) of section 18 of the Principal Ordinance, enacted by section 2 of the Agricultural Fires (Amendment) Ordinance, 1942, is hereby repealed and replaced by the following :—

Section 18 (1) of Principal Ordinance repealed and replaced. No. 11 of 1942.

Definition. “ (1) In this section, “ authorised person ” means the Warden for the County or Ward in which any land referred to in subsection (2) hereof is situate, or any of his Ward Officers, any Fire Patrolman appointed by him or by the Conservator of Forests, any member of the Police Force, any Forest Officer, any Executive Engineer or District Officer or Chief Overseer of the Public Works Department, any non-clerical officer of the Agricultural Department, or any member of a Fire Vigilance Committee for any County in which any land referred to in subsection (2) hereof is situate.”

SCHEDULE.

LICENCE TO SET FIRE TO LAND.

(Chapter 23. No. 7.)

Ward of..... Warden’s Office, .....

..... 19.....

is licensed to set fire to a parcel of land at ..... in the said Ward, containing ..... acres or thereabouts, and bounded as follows, viz. :—

N. by .....

E. by .....

S. by .....

W. by .....

- on the following conditions :—
- (1) that the licensee shall cause to be present .....persons to assist the licensee in controlling the fire ;
  - (2) that the licensee shall cause.....watchmen to be present on the land so long as any smouldering material remains on the ground ;
  - (3) that fire shall only be set between the hours of.....and .....
  - (4) that this licence shall take effect on.....19..... and expire on .....19.....

Warden.

Passed in Council this fifteenth day of December in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

W. J. BOOS,  
Clerk of the Council.