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**CHAPTER 84:07**

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**Note on Subsidiary Legislation**

This Chapter contains no subsidiary legislation.

**Note on Adaptation**

Certain fees in this Chapter were increased by the Commission under paragraph 4 of the Second Schedule to the Law Revision Act (Ch. 3:03). Where this occurs, a marginal reference in the form normally indicating an amendment is made to LN 51/1980 (the Legal Notice by which the President's approval was signified).

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OLD METAL AND MARINE STORES ACT

1950 Ed.  
Ch. 30. No. 7.  
12 of 1904.

**An Act relating to the sale of old metal and marine stores.**

Commencement.

[26<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 1904]

Short title.

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Old Metal and Marine Stores Act.

Interpretation.

**2.** In this Act—

“marine stores” means second-hand cables, sails, old junk, or other second-hand marine stores of any kind;

“old metal” means old metal, used or second-hand metal fittings, scrap metal, broken metal, partly manufactured metal goods, and defaced or old metal goods.

Dealers to be licensed.

**3.** It shall not be lawful for any person to carry on the business of a dealer in old metal or marine stores unless he has previously obtained a licence under this Act.

Licences.  
[51/1980  
3 of 1994].

**4.** (1) Licences under this Act shall be granted by and at the discretion of the Magistrate of the district in which the premises to be licensed are situated.

(2) No such licence shall be granted without the previous report of the police officer in charge of the division in which the premises to be licensed are situated and before the expiration of twenty-one days at least after application in writing has been made therefor to the Magistrate.

First Schedule.

(3) Such licences shall be in the form in the First Schedule, and shall be annual licences terminating on the 31st of December of the year for which they are granted. A fee of two hundred dollars shall be paid to the Magistrate for each such licence.

Signboard.

**5.** Over one of the principal entrances to the premises licensed under this Act there shall be placed a board on which are printed,

in legible letters of at least two inches in length, the name in full of the person holding the licence and the words “Licensed Dealer in Old Metal and Marine Stores”.

**6.** (1) Every person licensed under this Act shall keep a book in the form in the Second Schedule, in which he shall legibly enter in ink the date and hour of the day when any old metal or marine stores are purchased or received, the name in full, and the residence and occupation of the person from whom any such metal or stores are purchased and received, and in the case of an agent, the name and address of the principal, the quantity purchased and received, and the price paid for the same. Every such entry as mentioned above shall be made at the time of the sale, purchase, or dealing, and shall be signed by the licensee or his agent and by the vendor or his agent.

Dealer to keep book. Second Schedule.

(2) No person shall purchase or receive any such old metal or marine stores except between the hours of seven o'clock in the morning and six o'clock in the evening.

Times for dealing.

(3) No person shall purchase or receive any old metal or marine stores from any person apparently under the age of sixteen years.

Persons under 16 years.

(4) No person shall employ any servant or apprentice or other person under the age of sixteen years to purchase or receive such metal or stores.

Persons under 16 years.

(5) No old metal or marine stores shall be purchased or received at any one time in any quantity less than twenty-five pounds.

Minimum quantity.

**7.** Any constable may at any time when the licensed premises are open for business, inspect any such book as aforesaid and all old metal and marine stores in the premises of any licensee under this Act; and the licensee, or his representative, or the person in charge of the premises, or the person in whose custody or charge the book, metal or stores may be, or the person who has made any entry in the book with respect to which any such constable may desire to ask any questions, shall permit the constable to inspect the book, metal, and stores, and shall answer all such questions as may be asked by the constable with reference to the book, metal or stores or any of the entries or contents of the book.

Power of entry and inspection.

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Goods purchased to be kept for 15 days.

**8.** (1) Subject to subsection (2), old metal and marine stores purchased or received by a licensed dealer shall be kept in the licensed premises and shall not in any way be changed in form or shape or disfigured for a period of at least fifteen days after the old metal or marine stores have been purchased or received.

Exemption.

(2) The police officer in charge of the division in which the licensee carries on his business may, in his discretion, on the application of any licensee, grant a permit—

- (a) for the shipment or alteration in form or shape of any such old metal or marine stores without the same having been kept for such period of fifteen days;
- (b) for the shipment of broken machinery direct from the place where the same is purchased, without compliance with the provisions of this section.

Failing to give information to Police.

**9.** Every person licensed under this Act who, after notice has been given to him by any constable or by advertisement in the *Gazette* that any old metal or marine stores have been stolen or fraudulently obtained, fails to give information to the Police that articles of the like description were offered to him or were or are in his possession, is guilty of an offence against this Act.

Penalties.

**10.** Any person who does or omits to do anything which is by this Act forbidden or required to be done, or who assaults, resists, opposes, hinders, prevents, or obstructs any person acting under and by the authority of this Act, or who in any way violates or assists in, or is party to, the violation of any of the provisions of this Act, or is guilty of any offence against this Act, is liable on summary conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars.

Licence may be cancelled on conviction.

**11.** Where any person licensed under this Act is convicted of any offence against the provisions of this Act, the Court may, if it sees fit, cancel the licence of the person.

Appropriation of moneys.

**12.** All moneys received for licences, and all penalties recovered under this Act, shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund.

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**FIRST SCHEDULE**

Section 4(3).  
[51/1980  
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**FORM OF LICENCE**

*A.B.* having this day paid the sum of two hundred dollars is hereby authorised and licensed to deal in Old Metal and Marine Stores at ..... in accordance with the provisions of the Old Metal and Marine Stores Act.

This licence expires on the 31st December 20.....

*C.D.*

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*Magistrate*

Dated at ..... this ..... day of....., 20 .....

\$200.00

**SECOND SCHEDULE**

Section 6(1).

**FORM OF BOOK TO BE KEPT BY LICENSEE**

Date	Hour	Name in full, residence and occupation of seller	Name and address of principal	Description and quantity of goods purchased and received	Price	Signatures of licensee and seller