

STATUTORY RULES.

No. 19 of 1925.

Made under the *Sago Ordinance*, 1908-1920.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Sago Regulations*, 1925.

2. In these Regulations unless the contrary intention appears—

“Licence” or “Sago Licence” means a licence granted by the Lieutenant-Governor under the Ordinance to cut and remove sago growing in a sago reserve.

“Licensee” means the holder of a sago licence.

“Sago Reserve” means any land proclaimed by the Lieutenant-Governor under the provisions of the Ordinance to be a sago reserve.

“The Ordinance” means the *Sago Ordinance*, 1908-1920.

3. No sago licence shall be granted except in respect of land situated in a sago reserve.

4. No Crown land or land which for the purposes of the *Sago Ordinance*, 1908-1920, is deemed to be Crown land shall be proclaimed a sago reserve unless the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is satisfied that the sago growing thereon is not and is not likely to be required for food by the natives in the district in which the land is situated.

5. Application for a sago licence shall be made in writing to the Lieutenant-Governor through the Commissioner for Lands and shall—

(a) contain a description of the boundaries and be accompanied by a plan of the area applied for in sufficient detail to enable the area to be identified ;

(b) state the size of the area ;

(c) state the total area (if any) already held by the applicant under sago licences.

6. A sago licence may be granted for any period not exceeding twenty-five years.

7. The area of land included in any sago licence shall be such as the Lieutenant-Governor in Executive Council thinks fit to grant in each particular case.

8. (1) The rent payable for a sago licence shall be One pound for each square mile or part of one square mile of the area included in the licence in addition to any export duty or royalty which may now or hereafter be imposed upon the produce of the area included in the licence.

(2) A sum equal to one-half year's rent shall be deposited with the application for the licence.

(3) Immediately after the granting of an application for a licence the applicant shall pay in advance such proportion of one year's rent as shall be equal to the rent for the period calculated from the time the application was granted to the thirtieth day of June or the thirty-first day of December whichever of such days shall first follow the date on which the application was granted; and thereafter rent shall be paid in respect of the licence half-yearly in advance on the first days of the months of January and July in every year during its currency.

(4) The sum deposited with the application shall be applied so far as it will extend in payment of rent under this regulation.

9. (1) The licensee shall within the period of (one year from the date of the grant of the licence, or within such further period not exceeding six months as the Lieutenant-Governor may allow in any case, erect on the area included therein and thereafter during the whole currency of the licence keep erected thereon in good and efficient repair and working order a factory or factories with necessary plant and machinery approved by the Commissioner for Lands capable of producing at the rate of at least one thousand pounds weight daily of sago flour for each square mile or portion of a square mile of the area included in the licence.

(2) The Lieutenant-Governor may grant an exemption from or a modification of the condition specified in Sub-regulation (1) for such time and such extent as he may approve.

10. (1) After the expiration of the time limited for the erection of the plant and machinery by the last preceding regulation or of the further period (if any) allowed by the Lieutenant-Governor the licensee shall during the remainder of the term of the licence keep continuously employed upon the area included in the licence five native labourers for each square mile or portion of a square mile of such area in the work of producing raw sago, sago flour or pearl sago.

(2) The Lieutenant-Governor may grant exemption from the condition specified in Sub-regulation (1) of this regulation for any period not exceeding three months in any one year.

11. A licence shall be liable to forfeiture and may be forfeited by the Lieutenant-Governor—

- (a) if the rent thereon remains unpaid for a period of one month after the same becomes due;
- (b) if sago is cut thereon by the licensee for purposes other than those permitted by the Ordinance;
- (c) if the licensee fails to comply with or perform any of the conditions, acts, matters or things which he is required by the Ordinance or these regulations to comply with or perform.

12. A sago licence shall be in the form of the Schedule hereto or to the like effect and after being granted may be signed for the Lieutenant-Governor by the Commissioner for Lands.

13. The *Sago Regulations*, 1920 (Statutory Rules No. 1 of 1920), are repealed.

Made in Executive Council this eighteenth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

Executive Council Minute,
No. 10 of 41/1925.

L. H. HILDER,
Clerk of Executive Council.

SCHEDULE.

Sago Ordinance, 1908-1920.

SAGO LICENCE.

Subject to the provisions of the *Sago Ordinance*, 1908-1920, and the Regulations made thereunder is licensed to cut and remove sago growing in the Sago Reserve hereinafter described containing (or estimated to contain) _____ square miles for a period of twenty-five years from the _____ day of _____ One thousand nine hundred and _____

DESCRIPTION OF SAGO RESERVE.

All that piece of land situated _____ commencing _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 192 _____

For the Lieutenant-Governor.

Commissioner for Lands.

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