

THE TELEPHONE REGULATIONS 1968, AMENDMENT NO. 4

DENIS BLUNDELL, Governor-General ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 25th day of November 1974

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. W. E. ROWLING PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Post Office Act 1959, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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REGULATIONS

- 1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Telephone Regulations 1968, Amendment No. 4, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Telephone Regulations 1968* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).
- (2) Except as otherwise provided, these regulations shall come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.
- 2. Arrangement—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 2.
- **3. Interpretation**—Regulation 4 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking the definition of the expression "leased direct circuit", and substituting the following definition:
 - "'Leased direct circuit' means a departmental circuit provided for the exclusive use of a lessee and enabling communication between separate premises without the intervention of departmental switching exchanges of the telephone or other services:".
- **4. Cancellation of message rate station service**—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 35, and substituting the following regulation:

"35. (1) The Department may cancel a message rate station connection—

- "(a) If the privately owned section of the line is not maintained in good condition; or
- "(b) If an exchange is established to serve the locality; or
- "(c) If normal exchange service is made available.
- "(2) In all other respects message rate station subscribers shall be subject to the same terms and conditions as apply to exchange service subscribers."
- 5. Telephone rental concessions—The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 36, the following regulation: "36A. A subscriber who is eligible, in terms of the Social Security Act 1964, for a telephone rental concession in respect of a telephone exchange connection or other form of telephone service shall for the duration of his eligibility be required to pay one-half only of the prescribed annual charge for that telephone service."
- **6. Hours of attendance at telephone exchanges**—Regulation 44 of the principal regulations is hereby amended—
 - (a) By omitting the expression "8 p.m." in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression "10 p.m.":
 - (b) By omitting the words "12 hours", and substituting the words "14 hours".

*S.R. 1968/234 Amendment No. 1: 1971/18 Amendment No. 2: 1971/199 Amendment No. 3: 1971/250 7. Accommodation of telephone equipment—The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 57, the

following regulation:

"57A. A subscriber shall not place, use, or introduce in any manner or position in relation to departmental telephone apparatus installed in his premises, any article or substance which may, in the Department's opinion, have a harmful effect on the apparatus or its operation, nor shall he permit or suffer any other person to do so, and the subscriber shall comply with any special requirements notified by the Department concerning the provision of accommodation and the control of environmental conditions in relation to that apparatus. On breach of this regulation the Minister may cause the telephone service to be discontinued, without prejudice to any other liability that may be incurred."

8. Temporary diversion of calls—The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 81, the following

regulation:

"81a. On payment of the prescribed fee, a subscriber temporarily absent from his station may have incoming calls diverted to the station of another subscriber served by the same local exchange or, as an alternative, to a directory information operator, for a period of 10 consecutive days or longer; but any subscriber served by a manual exchange may on occasion be granted diversion service for a shorter period and, provided strapping of exchange connections is not involved, no fee shall be payable in respect of any diversion period not extending beyond one day."

9. New Part V (relating to leased direct circuits) substituted— The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking Part V, and substituting the following Part:

"PART V

"Leased Direct Circuits

"96. Leased direct circuits may be provided—(1) A departmental circuit may be provided and maintained for and on behalf of a person, corporation, or unincorporated body for the purpose of direct communication between separate premises by means of speech transmission or some other acceptable form of communication.

"(2) For the lease of a standard two-way telephone circuit or a circuit of equivalent characteristics for the purpose of telephonic or other communications annual fees shall be payable at the rates prescribed in the

First Schedule hereto.

"(3) For the lease of circuits other than those specified in subclause (2) of this regulation, the provisions of this Part of these regulations shall apply as far as practicable and with the necessary modifications:

Provided that the Minister may from time to time determine special annual fees and special conditions in respect of the lease of particular

types of circuit for the use of certain forms of communication.

"97. Connection and termination arrangements—(1) A leased direct circuit shall be deemed to include the lead-in arrangements as far as the point of connection to the inside wiring at each separate premises where the circuit is terminated or broken out.

- "(2) The telephone instruments or other apparatus connected to the circuit at the applicant's premises may be leased from and maintained by the Department and the costs of installation charged to the applicant, or, subject to the approval of the Director-General, some or all of those instruments and that apparatus may be supplied by the applicant and installed and maintained at his expense.
- "(3) The inside wiring connected to the circuit may be installed and maintained by the Department and the costs of installation charged to the applicant, or that wiring may be installed by the applicant and maintained at his expense."
- "98. Additional circuit charges in certain cases—(1) If a leased direct circuit or any portion thereof cannot be provided without addition or alteration to the Department's existing telecommunication facilities, the applicant shall be charged with the cost of any labour and incidental expenses involved in establishing additional facilities required solely or primarily to enable the circuit to be provided, or in altering existing facilities to accommodate the circuit, and also with such other initial costs associated therewith as, in the opinion of the Director-General, the circumstances may warrant.
- "(2) If a leased direct circuit is required having transmission characteristics or other features not provided by standard departmental circuits, the applicant shall pay the cost of any labour and incidental expenses initially involved in making special arrangements and also such annual fees, over and above normal circuit rentals, as the Minister may from time to time determine in respect of special equipment or arrangements in meeting requirements of this nature.
- "99. Circuits traversing private property—Wherever any portion, including the lead-in, of a leased direct circuit lies within private property, any poles required shall be supplied, erected, and renewed at the cost of the applicant, and he shall be charged with the cost of the labour and incidental expenses involved in the installation and maintenance of any aerial lines, or cabling, required.
- "100. **Minimum period of lease**—The minimum period of lease shall be 2 months.
- "101. **Temporary lease**—When the use of a leased direct circuit is required for a shorter term than the minimum period of lease specified in regulation 100 hereof, the service shall be granted conditionally on the applicant agreeing in writing to pay the special rental prescribed therefor, together with the installation and dismantling costs, and the value of such material which is used in making the installation and which, in the opinion of the Department, is not afterwards conveniently usable.
- "102. Alterations to leased direct circuits—No additional instruments shall be installed or any alterations made to any leased direct circuit without the prior approval in writing of the Department.
- "103. Restriction on use of leased direct circuit—(1) Except as provided in subclause (2) of this regulation, the lessee of a leased direct circuit shall use the circuit for his own bona fide business only, and shall not, directly or indirectly, allow the circuit to be used for any purpose which might be construed as an attempt to deprive the Department of revenue.

- "(2) Upon application being made in writing on a form supplied for the purpose by the Director-General, the Minister may grant to the lessee of a leased direct circuit a licence to send and receive data for processing by computer on behalf of such other persons as may be specified therein.
- "(3) Each such licence issued shall be subject to the conditions specified therein.
- "(4) The annual fee payable for a circuit so licensed shall be at the rate prescribed pursuant to subclause (2) or subclause (3) of regulation 96 hereof, as the case may require, plus a surcharge of 37.5 percent.
- "104. Regulations to apply to leased direct circuits—The provisions of these regulations relating to mode of payment of charges, lessee's obligations, powers of the Department, and otherwise relating to the case of telephone exchange services shall, as far as applicable and with the necessary modifications, apply to leased direct circuits.
- "105. Minister may disconnect leased direct circuits— If any person fails to pay within seven days after demand any rental or other charges due by him under regulations 96 to 103 hereof or commits a breach of regulations 102 or 103 hereof or of any other provision of these regulations applicable to leased direct circuits, or if in the opinion of the Minister the departmental circuits are required for a purpose deserving priority to their use as leased direct circuits, the Minister may cause the departmental circuits to be disconnected from the apparatus of the lessee and any wires, instruments, and fittings of the Department on the premises of the lessee to be removed without prejudice to the liability of the lessee for any unpaid rental or other charges due, owing, or accruing under these regulations, and no liability or claim for damages on the part of any person shall lie against the Crown or the Minister or any officer or employee of the Department, whether by reason of the disconnection, entry, or removal, or on any other ground.
- "106. Provision of special circuits and equipment—Nothing in these regulations shall affect the power of the Crown to enter into contracts for the lease of special circuits, or for the provision of special equipment and wiring arrangements not provided for in this Part of these regulations."
- 10. Discontinuance of service—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 134, and substituting the following regulation:
- "134. If an exchange is established to serve the locality or if normal exchange service is made available, the Department may discontinue the provision of service by way of a toll station or by way of any privately owned telephone line connected thereto."
- 11. Classes of toll services—Regulation 137 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking paragraphs (c) and (d) of subclause (1).
- 12. Fixed time calls—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 144.

- 13. Contract toll service—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 145.
- 14. International telephone credit cards—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 148, and substituting the following regulation:
- "148. (1) International telephone credit cards may be issued to any subscriber on payment of the prescribed fee.
- "(2) Use of the credit card shall be subject to such conditions as the Director-General may from time to time determine.
- "(3) A subscriber holding a credit card may have the charge for an international telephone call debited to a station nominated in that behalf by the subscriber on the issue of the credit card."
- 15. Payment of toll charges—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 150, and substituting the following regulation:
- "150. (1) Except as specified in subclause (2) of this regulation, the charge for a toll call shall be paid at the time of making the call or shall be debited to the lessee of the calling station.
- "(2) In the case of a collect toll call, or a transferred charge toll call, or an international telephone credit card call, the charge shall be debited in accordance with regulation 146, 147 or 148 hereof, as the case may be."
- 16. Time limit on toll calls—Regulation 154 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words "Except in a case in which a longer period has been arranged under contract in accordance with the provisions of regulation 145 hereof,".
- 17. New Part VIIIA inserted—The principal Act is hereby further amended by inserting, after Part VIII, the following Part:

"PART VIIIA

"Miscellaneous Services Available From Crossbar and Other Specified Exchanges

- "156A. Call diversion service—A service which enables subscribers to divert calls to up to 9 predetermined numbers may be provided, subject to payment of the prescribed installation fee and annual rental charges. Also, subject to payment of the prescribed additional annual rental charge, a second subscriber's number may be allocated to enable calls dialled to this number to be received while calls dialled to the normal number are being diverted. In multi-exchange areas all subscribers shall be connected to the same exchange.
- "156B. Abbreviated dialling service—Subscribers may, subject to payment of the prescribed installation fee and annual rental, be provided with the facility of dialling a 3-digit code instead of the full number when calling up to 10 or 20 subscribers.

- "156c. Call waiting service—Subscribers may, subject to payment of the prescribed installation fee and annual rental, be provided with a facility which indicates that a second call is waiting when their telephone is in use.
- "156D. **Push-button telephones**—Telephones with push-button signalling pads in place of rotary dials may be provided, subject to payment of the prescribed additional annual rental charges.
- "156E. **Permanent price required service**—A subscriber may, subject to payment of the prescribed installation charge and additional fee, be provided with a facility that will automatically cause all toll calls lodged from his telephone to be given price required service.
- "156F. Extension identification service—Subject to payment of the prescribed installation charge and additional fee, a subscriber may have shown on the statement of toll charges the extension or other identification number quoted by callers in respect of every toll call made from his telephone.
- "156g. Hotel service—Subject to payment of the prescribed installation charge and additional fee, a subscriber shall be informed of the charge payable and the room or other identification number quoted by callers in respect of every toll call made from his telephone."
- 18. First Schedule—(1) Part I of the First Schedule to the principal regulations (as substituted by regulation 11 of the Telephone Regulations 1968, Amendment No. 1) is hereby amended by revoking clause 12, and substituting the new clauses 12 and 13 set out in the First Schedule to these regulations.
 - (2) Part II of the said First Schedule is hereby amended—
 - (a) By omitting from subparagraph (vii) of paragraph (a) of clause 7 the word "toll" in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the word "route":
 - (b) By omitting from the footnotes the expression "(Reg. 92)", and substituting the expression "(Reg. 87)".
- (3) Part III of the said First Schedule is hereby amended by revoking paragraph (c), and substituting the new paragraphs (ba) and (c) set out in the Second Schedule to these regulations.
- (4) Part V of the said First Schedule is hereby amended by revoking subclause (3) of clause 2, and substituting the new subclause (3) set out in the Third Schedule to these regulations.
- (5) The said First Schedule is hereby further amended by revoking Part VI, and substituting the new Part VI set out in the Fourth Schedule to these regulations.
- (6) Part IX of the said First Schedule is hereby amended by revoking paragraph (b) of clause 1, and substituting the new paragraph (b) set out in the Fifth Schedule to these regulations.
- (7) Part IX of the said First Schedule is hereby further amended by revoking paragraph (e) of clause 1, clause 3, and clause 6.
- (8) Part IX of the said First Schedule is hereby further amended by omitting from the heading to column (2) the words "Credit Card Calls (Reg. 148)".
- (9) The said First Schedule is hereby further amended by adding the new Part X set out in the Sixth Schedule to these regulations.

(10) Regulation 10 of the Telephone Regulations 1968, Amendment No. 2, is hereby consequentially revoked.

(11) Subclauses (6) and (10) of this regulation shall come into force on

the 1st day of January 1975.

- 19. Rentals and annual charges—(1) Regulation 2 of the Telephone Regulations 1968, Amendment No. 2 shall apply to the rentals and annual charges prescribed in the First Schedule to the principal regulations, as amended by regulation 18 of these regulations.
- (2) For the purposes of regulation 2 of the Telephone Regulations 1968, Amendment No. 2,—

(a) The annual service charge for message rate station service, as prescribed in clause 5 of Part I of the First Schedule to the principal regulations; and

(b) The annual switching fee and annual maintenance fee for privately owned telephone lines connected with toll stations, as prescribed in Part VII of the First Schedule to the principal regulations—

shall be deemed to be charges and fees in respect of residential stations.

SCHEDULES

FIRST SCHEDULE

NEW CLAUSES 12 AND 13 OF PART I OF FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

- "12. Subscriber controlled diversion service (Reg. 85)—The following charges are payable in respect of the subscriber controlled diversion service:
- (a) For facilities to divert incoming calls to a second subscriber's station—
 - (i) An installation fee of \$30.00.
 - (ii) An annual rental of \$15.00 (business rate) or \$7.50 (residential rate).
 - (iii) An annual rental at the rate prescribed for a local 2-wire leased direct circuit, in respect of the control circuit to the exchange.

(Note: On payment of charges on the same basis, the second subscriber can obtain facilities to divert his calls to the first subscriber's station.)

- (b) For facilities to divert his incoming calls to 2 or more selected subscribers' stations one at a time—
 - (i) An initial installation fee equal to the actual costs, or \$30.00, whichever is the greater. A similar fee is payable for each subsequent occasion when additional facilities are requested.
 - (ii) An annual rental of \$15.00 (business rate) or \$7.50 (residential rate) in respect of each facility to divert calls to a nominated station.
 - (iii) An annual rental at the rate prescribed for a local 2-wire leased direct circuit, in respect of each physical pair utilised for the control circuits to the exchange."
- "13. Temporary diversion of calls (Reg. 81A)—A fee of 70 cents shall be payable by a subscriber in respect of each chargeable period of diversion of calls from his station."

SECOND SCHEDULE NEW PARAGRAPHS (BA) AND (C) OF PART III OF FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

	Installation Charge	Annual Charge	
_		Business Connection	Residential Connection
(c) For a loudspeaking telephone unit (c) For an extension bell or gliding tone caller, including circuit up to a	\$ 7.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
length of 110 yards— (i) An ordinary type bell	4.00* 4.00* ** 4.00*	2.00 2.50 4.00 2.50	1.00 1.50 1.50"

THIRD SCHEDULE

NEW SUBCLAUSE (3) TO CLAUSE 2 OF PART V OF FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

"(3) The charges specified in the following table are payable in respect of advertisements inserted in or after the classified listings of a telephone directory:

	Charge per Single Column Inch		Full Pages at the End of the Classified Directory	
Directory Area	For an Insertion in the Chief Section*	For an Insertion in the Subsection†	If the Post Office Guarantees a Full Page Advertisement	If the Post Office does not Guarantee a Full Page Advertisement
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Auckland	60	45	300	100
Wellington	45	32	225	80
Christchurch	45	32	225	80
Waikato, King Country and				
Thames Valley	35	30	100	50
Dunedin	35	30	100	50
Bay of Plenty	30	25	75	30
Hawkes Bay	30	25	75	30
Manawatu	30	25	75	30
Invercargill	30	25	75	30
Taranaki	25	20	75	30
Northland	25	20	75	30
Timaru and Oamaru	25	20	75	30
Wanganui	25	20	75	30
Nelson	25	20	75	30
Gisborne	25	20	75	30
Wairarapa	25	20	75	30
West Coast and Buller	20	16	40	20
Blenheim	20	16	40	20

^{*&#}x27;Chief Section' of the classified section of a directory means the listings of subscribers connected to the principal exchange(s) to which the directory relates, and to exchanges within the free calling area(s) of the said principal exchange(s).

'Subsection' of the classified section of a directory means the listings of subscribers to all exchanges to which the directory relates other than those in the Chief Section."

FOURTH SCHEDULE

NEW PART VI OF FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

"PART VI

Leased Direct Circuits (Regs. 96 to 106)

Charges are payable for the lease of a circuit of a type specified in regulation 96 (2) at the following rates:

- (a) For a local circuit, \$2.50 per annum for a single-wire circuit and \$3.50 for a 2-wire circuit, or equivalent derived circuit, per furlong or part thereof of circuit, with a minimum annual rate as for 3 furlongs. (Note: a 'local circuit' has its terminals located within one telephone free-calling area; it can comprise the extension of a main-line leased circuit from a departmental transmission centre to the lessee's premises.)
- (b) For a main-line circuit, \$28.00 per annum per mile or part thereof of circuit. (Note: a 'main-line circuit' connects departmental transmission centres in separate telephone free-calling areas; it is normally derived on a 4-wire basis.)
- (c) For an associated telephone, including wiring up to 110 yards, \$7.50 per annum.

(d) For a temporary circuit—

(i) A weekly rate at one fifty-second of the annual rate plus 50 percent, with a minimum charge as for 2 weeks or \$3, whichever is the higher, and a minimum charge of \$1.50 for each succeeding week or fraction thereof:

(ii) The installation and dismantling costs in respect of labour and transport, and the value of any irrecoverable material, or material rendered unfit for further use."

FIFTH SCHEDULE NEW PARAGRAPH (B) OF CLAUSE 1 OF PART IX OF THE FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

"(b) For distances over 30 miles for the
initial period of 3 minutes or fraction thereof—
(i) Over 30 miles but not over 40
miles 27c 27c
(ii) Over 40 miles but not over 60
miles 33c 33c
(iii) Over 60 miles but not over 100 miles 48c 41c
(iv) Over 100 miles but not over 150 miles 63c 48c
(v) Over 150 miles but not over 200 miles 78c 63c
(vi) Over 200 miles but not over 250 miles 93c 72c
(vii) Over 250 miles but not over 300 miles \$1.05
(viii) Over 300 miles \$1.14 87c

[&]quot;Note—'Public Holiday' means New Year's Day, the 2nd day of January, New Zealand Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Anzac Day, the Sovereign's Birthday, Labour Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day, or any days substituted therefor. 'Weekday' means any day from Monday to Saturday inclusive, not being a Public Holiday or day substituted therefor.'

SIXTH SCHEDULE

NEW PART X OF FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

"PART X

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES AVAILABLE FROM CROSSBAR AND OTHER SPECIFIED EXCHANGES

The following installation and rental charges are payable in addition to the rate for the main station and any extension station in respect of miscellaneous services available from crossbar and other specified exchanges.

Equipment	Installation Charge	Annual Rental Charge
(a) For Call diversion service (Reg. 156A)	\$	\$
 (i) Divert all calls to predetermined numbers (ii) Connection of an additional subscriber number (b) For Abbreviated dialling service (Reg. 156B) 	10.00	50.00 21.00
(i) Up to 10 numbers	$10.00 \\ 10.00$	42.00 50.00
(c) Call waiting service (Reg. 156c) (d) Push-button telephones (Reg. 156d)	10.00	42.00 20.00
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Cost per call
(e) Permanent price required service (Reg. 156E) (f) Extension identification service (Reg. 156F) (g) Hotel service (Reg. 156c)	10.00† 10.00† 10.00†	c 10 5 15"

^{*}Covered by prescribed charge for new connection, new extension or change in type of telephone. Labour and incidental costs are payable when these telephones are installed on intercommunicating systems or leased direct circuits.

†Charge not applicable at introduction of service or for new connection.

P. G. MILLEN, Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations amend the Telephone Regulations 1968.

Regulation 1 provides that these regulations are to come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette* except for the change in the days on which extended full rate hours will apply in respect of toll calls.

Regulation 2 revokes a spent regulation.

Regulations 3 and 9 amend and widen the provisions for the leasing of direct circuits for private use.

Regulations 4 and 10 provide that certain special types of telephone service for remote areas may be cancelled when a regular telephone service becomes available.

Regulation 5 provides the Post Office with the formal authority for the half-rate telephone rentals for certain Social Security beneficiaries.

Regulation 6 provides for the hours of attendance at certain manual exchanges to be increased from 12 to 14 hours on Sundays and public holidays.

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Regulation 7 makes it a condition of service that certain equipment supplied to subscribers shall be adequately housed.

Regulation 8 provides for a service to be supplied enabling a subscriber to have incoming calls diverted.

Regulations 11, 12, 13, and 15 withdraw the fixed time call service and the contract

toll service.

Regulation 14 restricts the telephone credit card service to international calls.

Regulation 16 rewrites the provisions relating to payment of toll calls to bring it into line with other provisions in the regulations.

Regulation 17 gives the authority for certain additional services to be provided. Regulation 18 amends the First Schedule to the principal regulations regarding the charges to be made for telephone services. These amendments, apart from minor drafting and consequential amendments, provide for—

(a) The charges for additional services authorised by regulations 8 and 17.

(b) A gliding tone caller to be supplied instead of, and for the same charge as, a tele-

phone bell.

(c) Increased charges for advertisements in telephone directories.

(d) A change in the days on which extended full rate hours are to apply in respect of toll calls. These days will now include 2 January and New Zealand Day but exclude Anniversary Days. This change will take effect on 1 January 1975. Regulation 19 provides that-

(a) The charges set out in the First Schedule to the principal regulations, as amended by these regulations, are still subject to the $17\frac{1}{2}$ percent increase for residential

stations and 22½ percent increase for business stations.

(b) The annual service charge for message rate station service and the annual switching fee and annual maintenance fee for privately owned telephone lines connected with toll stations will be subject to the $17\frac{1}{2}$ percent increase as if they were residential stations.

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