

Drainage and Plumbing.—Regulations under the Health Act, 1920.
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JELlicoe, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 3rd day of September, 1923.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by section one hundred and thirty-two of the Health Act, 1920 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), and of all other powers enabling him on that behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of that Dominion, doth hereby make the following regulations prescribing the conditions to be observed in the construction of approved drains, septic tanks, sanitary conveniences, and sanitary appliances :

And whereas, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by section one hundred and thirty-three of the said Act, the operation of any regulations may, if so provided therein, be wholly suspended until they are applied by the Minister by notice in the *Gazette* to any part of New Zealand, it is hereby provided that these regulations are suspended as provided in the said Act.

REGULATIONS.

PRELIMINARY.

1. THESE regulations may be cited as the Drainage and Plumbing Regulations.

Definition.

2. In these regulations, except where the contrary intention appears,—

"Approved" means approved by the Engineer or other officer of a local authority authorized by such authority to perform the duties of the Engineer :

"By-law" includes these regulations :

"Drain" means every drain or sewer neither vested in the local authority nor under the control of nor maintained by the local authority :

"Engineer" means the Engineer appointed by the local authority to carry out the duties under these regulations ; and includes any Sanitary Inspector or other officer of the local authority authorized by such authority to inspect the work of a drainlayer or of a plumber as defined in these regulations, or to do on behalf of the local authority any of the duties assigned to the Engineer in these regulations :

"Sewage-tank" means any fixed receptacle for the reception and disintegration of the solid matters in sewage, and includes septic tank :

"Sewer" means every sewer or drain vested in the local authority or under control of or maintained by the local authority :

"Storm-water drain" means any drain, passage, pipe, or channel for the removal of surface water, ground water, or rain-water :

Duty of owner of building to provide drainage.

3. The owner or occupier of any building shall provide for such building suitable and sufficient drains to carry away the whole of the sewage and household waste waters to such sewer or sewage-tank or other outfall as the Engineer may lawfully direct.

4. The person on whose behalf any building is erected, added to, rebuilt, altered, or repaired, or on whose behalf any drain or other sanitary convenience or sanitary appliance is established, constructed, altered, or repaired, shall cause the provisions of these regulations to be observed in respect to such building, drain, sanitary convenience, or sanitary appliance ; and he shall be liable to a penalty as hereinafter provided for any breach of these by-laws in respect of such building, drain, sanitary convenience, or sanitary appliance, notwithstanding that under these by-laws any drainlayer or plumber or other person may also be liable to a penalty in respect of the same breach of these by-laws.

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