

shall not apply to the district road on the north-eastern boundary of part of section eight (8), Block I, Otokia Survey District"; subject to the condition that no building or part of a building shall at any time be erected on the land fronting the south-western side of the portion of road (described in the Schedule hereto) within a distance of thirty-three feet from the centre-line of the said portion of road.

#### SCHEDULE.

THE south-western side of all that portion of road situated in the Otago Land District, County of Taieri, fronting part Section 8, Block I, Otokia Survey District. As the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 82732, deposited in the office of the Minister of Public Works at Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

(P.W. 51/1669.)

#### The Police Offences (Wrestling Contest) Regulations, 1931.

BLÉDISLOE, Governor-General.

#### ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 19th day of October, 1931.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

PURSUANT to the powers conferred by section seventy-two of the Police Offences Act, 1927, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes of the said section.

#### REGULATIONS.

1. THESE regulations may be cited as the Police Offences (Wrestling Contest) Regulations, 1931.

2. In these regulations—

"The said section" means section 72 of the Police Offences Act, 1927;

"Inspector" means an Inspector of Police acting under the said section;

"Permit" means a permit granted by an Inspector of Police under the provisions of the said section;

"Wrestling Contest" has the same meaning as in the said section, namely,—

"(1) For the purposes of this section the term 'wrestling contest' means any wrestling match, wrestling competition, or wrestling exhibition for admission to which a charge is made or at which a collection is taken up, or at which those present are invited or permitted to contribute money or to deposit it in the building or elsewhere, or on the result of which any stake, payment, or prize depends."

3. Every application for a permit shall be made in writing, signed by the person desiring to hold the wrestling contest or by a responsible officer on behalf of the association, club, or other body or organization desiring to hold the wrestling contest.

4. Every application shall be made at least seven days before the date on which it is proposed to hold the wrestling contest, and shall be made to the Inspector whose office is nearest to the place where it is proposed to hold the same: Provided that the Inspector may in his discretion entertain an application made less than seven days before the date aforesaid.

5. Every such application shall state the precise time when and precise place where it is proposed to hold the wrestling contest, and the name of the person appointed to control the conduct thereof as referee, and the name of every person to take part therein as a competitor.

6. Every permit shall, unless otherwise so expressed, operate as a permit to hold a wrestling contest at the time and place named in the application under the control of the person named therein in that behalf between or amongst the wrestlers named therein, and not further or otherwise: Provided that, if on account of unforeseen circumstances it is desired by way of alteration to hold the contest at some other time or place, or under the control of some other person, or between or amongst wrestlers one or more of whom is not named in the application or permit, the Inspector or any Police Officer authorized by him in that behalf may, on application made at any time prior to the contest, consent to and make such

alteration, and the permit shall thereupon operate as a permit to hold a wrestling contest in terms of the permit as so altered.

7. Before granting a permit the Inspector may require such evidence as he thinks proper relating to the persons to take part in the contest or the wrestling rules under which the contest is to be conducted, and may require an undertaking from the applicant or the person or persons appointed to control the conduct of the contest, or from any other responsible person, that such wrestling rules will be observed and enforced.

8. The granting or withholding of a permit shall in all cases be in the absolute discretion of the Inspector.

9. Every permit shall be deemed to be granted subject to the following conditions irrespective of the terms of any wrestling rules under which the contest is to be conducted:—

(a) That the contest shall be conducted in a ring not less than 24 ft. square, and approved by the Inspector;

(b) That such ring shall be enclosed by at least four horizontal tightly-stretched ropes the top one of which shall be cased in leather or other suitable material;

(c) That the bottom rope shall be not less than 12 in. or more than 18 in. above the floor of the ring, and the top rope shall be not less than 4 ft. 6 in. or more than 5 ft. above the floor of the ring, and the intervening ropes shall be so placed as to provide approximately equal intervals between each rope and the next;

(d) That the ropes shall be supported by posts rising to a height of approximately 5 ft 3 in. above the floor of the ring, and such posts shall be padded with felt or other suitable material of a thickness of not less than 2 in. for their full length: Provided that this paragraph shall not apply where the ropes are supported on what is known as the "stakeless" principle;

(e) That the whole of the floor of the ring shall be padded with felt or other suitable material of a thickness not less than 1 in. and having a top cover of canvas;

(f) That every competitor shall, before engaging in a contest, produce to the referee for inspection by any constable present a certificate, dated not more than seven days previously, and signed by a medical practitioner registered in New Zealand, to the effect that such competitor is physically fit to compete;

(g) That no contest shall exceed eight rounds of ten minutes each with an interval of not less than one minute between successive rounds;

(h) That no contest other than one between professional wrestlers shall exceed three rounds of five minutes each with an interval of not less than one minute between successive rounds, save that in such a contest if each competitor has obtained one fall the referee, if he is unable to come to a decision on points, may order an extra round;

(i) That a fall shall be counted whenever a competitor's two shoulders are on the ground at the same time for a period of three seconds: Provided that the wrestling rules may provide in any case that submission signified to the referee shall be counted as a fall;

(j) That a round shall end by (1) a fall; (2) a submission; (3) effluxion of time limit, whichever occurs first.

(10) If at any time in the opinion of the senior member of the Police present on duty at any wrestling contest there is undue roughness or persistent wilful breach by one or more contestants of any of the wrestling rules under which the contest is conducted, such senior member of Police may forthwith order the contest to be stopped and the permit shall then become void.

(11) A permit may be in the form set out in the Schedule hereto or to the effect thereof.

#### SCHEDULE.

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#### PERMIT TO HOLD A WRESTLING CONTEST.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Inspector of Police at \_\_\_\_\_, hereby grant to \_\_\_\_\_ permission to hold a wrestling contest at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock p.m.

This permit is granted subject to the provisions of section 72 of the Police Offences Act, 1927, and to the Police Offences (Wrestling Contest) Regulations, 1931.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

Signature: .....

Inspector of Police.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

(I.A. 2/51/2.)