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**THE SOVEREIGN BASE AREAS GAZETTE**  
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**L E G I S L A T I O N**

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ORDINANCE 16 OF 1987.

**AN ORDINANCE**

TO AMEND THE FOREST ORDINANCE.

K. W. HAYR,  
ADMINISTRATOR

*11th September, 1987.*

**BE** it enacted by the Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia as follows :—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Forest (Amendment) Ordinance, 1987 and shall be read as one with the Forest Ordinance, 1980 (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Ordinance”).

Short title.  
Ordinance  
14 of 1980.

2. Section 22 of the principal Ordinance is hereby amended—

Section 22 of  
the principal  
Ordinance  
amended.

(a) by inserting after the word “licence” appearing in the fifth line thereof the word “issued”;

(b) by inserting after the word “poplar” the words “alder and pistacia”.

3. Section 23 of the principal Ordinance is hereby amended :

Section 23 of  
the principal  
Ordinance  
amended.

(a) by deleting subsection (1) thereof and substituting therefor the following new subsection :—

“(1) Any person who without authority in any State Forest—

(a) kindles a fire in such forest or within a distance of one kilometre from the edge thereof;

- (b) leaves unextinguished a fire kindled by him therein or within a distance of one kilometre from the edge thereof ;
- (c) throws a lighted match, cigarette or any other object which can cause a fire in such forest or within a distance of one kilometre from the edge thereof ;
- (d) causes a fire as a result of his rash or negligent use of a cigarette or other combustible matter or his omission to take adequate precautions in connection therewith,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable, on conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or to a fine not exceeding seven hundred and fifty pounds or to both such imprisonment and fine :

Provided that an offence under paragraph (a) shall not be deemed to have been committed if the act was done—

- (i) with the written consent of the Chief Officer ;
  - (ii) by an excursionist, exclusively for the purpose of preparing a meal within places specially provided and approved for that purpose by the Chief Officer ;
  - (iii) by any person who, being the occupier of a house within such forest or within one kilometre from the edge thereof for his own domestic purposes.” ;
- (b) by deleting paragraph (a) of subsection (2) therefrom and substituting therefor the following new paragraph :—
    - “(a) clears, digs, cultivates, plants, sows, cuts, embanks or turns up any land therein or places any materials on such land for any purpose whatsoever ;” ;
  - (c) by deleting the comma at the end of paragraph (g) of subsection (2) thereof and substituting a semi-colon ;
  - (d) by inserting immediately after paragraph (g) the following new paragraph, to be lettered (h) :—
    - “(h) occupies or uses any land for any purpose whatsoever,” ;
  - (e) by deleting the words “seventy five” appearing in the twentieth line of subsection (2) thereof and substituting therefor the words “five hundred” ;
  - (f) by deleting the word “wilfully” appearing in the first line of paragraph (a) of subsection (3) thereof ;

- (g) by deleting the word "fifty" appearing in the twentysixth line of subsection (3) thereof and substituting therefor the words "three hundred";
- (h) by deleting the words "one hundred" appearing in the fifth line of subsection (4) thereof and in the proviso thereto and substituting therefor in each case the words "seven hundred and fifty".
- (i) by inserting immediately after subsection (4) the following new subsections :—

"(5) In addition to any other punishment imposed for an offence committed contrary to the provisions of this Section, the Court trying the offence may order :—

- (a) the uprooting or otherwise rendering useless, within a specified period, of any plantation or sowing relating to the said offence and abandoning occupation ;
- (b) the demolition within a specified period of any shed or structure, the removal of any pipes or materials, the filling in of any well or water channel and abandoning occupation.

(6) On failing to comply to an Order issued under the provisions of subsection (4) of this Section, without prejudice to the powers of the Court to impose any punishment for contempt to Court, it shall be lawful for the Chief Officer to proceed to the execution of such order and the expense incurred for that purpose shall be collected by the person under obligation to execute the Order as monetary punishment according to the execution and recovery of penalties under the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Ordinance."

Cap. 155 (Laws of Cyprus) Ordinances 4/60, 19/63, 1/66, 2/72, 2/73, 10/75, 4/78 and 11/79.

4. Section 26 of the principal Ordinance is hereby amended by deleting the words "one hundred" appearing in the sixth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "seven hundred and fifty pounds".

Section 26 of the principal Ordinance amended.

5. Section 27 of the principal Ordinance is hereby amended :—

- (a) by deleting subsection (1) thereof and substituting therefor the following new subsection :—

"(1) In the event of fire occurring in or adjacent to any State Forest, any Forest Officer, police officer, chairman of village commission or rural constable may require :—

Section 27 of the principal Ordinance amended.

- (a) any male person of not less than eighteen years of age residing or working within a radius of thirty kilometres of the outbreak to assist in extinguishing the fire, or

- (b) any male person (referred in paragraph (a) of this Section) of not less than eighteen years of age who has under his control any car, tractor, excavator or any other motor vehicle within a distance of thirty kilometres of the outbreak of the fire, to assist with such car, tractor, excavator or other motor vehicle, in extinguishing the fire.”;
- (b) by adding at the end of subsection (2) thereof the following :—
- “and in the case of use of any car, tractor, excavator or other motor vehicle a reasonable rent shall be payable to the owner or occupier, as the case may be, for its use.”;
- (c) by deleting the words “twenty five” appearing in the sixth line of subsection (3) thereof and substituting therefor the words “one hundred and twenty five”.

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11th September, 1987.

D.K.A. REYNOLDS,  
*Chief Officer.*

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