

NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

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Notification of Infectious and Contagious Diseases Act 1923

TABLE OF AMENDMENTS

The Notification of Infectious and Contagious Diseases Act 1923 No 2 was made and commenced on 27 January 1923.

Amending Legislation	Date of Assent	Date of Commencement
Ordinances Revision Ordinance 1967 No 25	29 December 1967	29 December 1967
Interpretation (Consequential Amendments) Act 2011 No 18	3 November 2011	3 November 2011
Revised Written Laws Act 2021 No 7	1 June 2021	1 June 2021

An Act to provide for contagious disease and other related matters.

Adopted by the Parliament of Nauru as follows:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Notification of Infectious and Contagious Diseases Act 1923*.

[s 1 am Act 25 of 1967 s 3 and Sch 1, opn 29 Dec 1967]

2 Diseases to be reported

All cases of contagious or infectious diseases, including venereal disease, occurring within the jurisdiction of the President are to be reported to the President within 24 hours of knowledge, or receipt of information, of any such case occurring, or within 3 days of the publication of this Act, in the case of a person suffering from contagious or infectious disease, at the date of this Act.

3 Responsibility for reporting

The following shall be responsible for the making of the report referred to in Section 2:

- (a) The person affected, (in the case of a child, the parents or guardians);
- (b) The Medical Officer or other person attending the case; or
- (c) The Master of the vessel on which the person affected is employed, or is a passenger.

Reports shall be made in such form as may be prescribed by the President, provided that reports by the Government Medical Officer, or other qualified health practitioner, of cases of venereal disease, may be made by number or other private designation, and the names of such patients shall be kept in a private roster by the Medical Officer, unless and until such patient refuses or discontinues such treatment for the disease, as may be prescribed by the practitioner, in which instance such cases shall be reported by name for action under Section 5.

[s 3 am Act 25 of 1967 s 3 and Sch 1, opn 29 Dec 1967; Act 18 of 2011 s 3 and Sch[21], opn 3 Nov 2011]

4 Responsibilities of Master of vessel

The Master of any vessel arriving at Nauru from overseas, shall be responsible that no person suffering from venereal disease shall be permitted to land from his or her vessel on the island, except for admission to hospital as defined in Section 5, and the Master of the vessel on arrival at Nauru shall furnish to the Port Medical Officer, a statement giving the names of those on board suffering from venereal disease, and certifying that, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, no other person on board is suffering from such disease.

5 Venereal disease to be treated

Persons suffering from venereal disease shall submit themselves for appropriate treatment to the medical officer or other qualified health practitioner, and shall, if he or she so advises, be admitted to a hospital, and detained there; shall

treatment and detention to continue until the patient certified by the health practitioner as free from danger of infecting others, or until the patient leaves to embark on board ship for the purpose of leaving Nauru.

6 Penalty

Penalty for breach of this Act — Fine not exceeding \$20.

[s 6 am Act 25 of 1967 s 4 and Sch 2, opn 29 Dec 1967]