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COMMONWEALTH NATIONAL SECURITY (GENERAL)
REGULATIONS.

STATE OF VICTORIA.

LIGHTING RESTRICTION ORDER.

ORDER No. 38.

WHEREAS it is provided by Regulation 35A of the Commonwealth National Security (General) Regulations that the Premier of any State may, after consultation with the Minister of State for Home Security or an officer of the Department of Home Security authorized by that Minister to act on his behalf and with the Commandant of a Military District or an officer authorized by the Minister of State for Defence Co-ordination or the Minister of State for the Army to act on behalf of such Commandant, by Order—

- (a) direct any total or partial "black-out" and may prohibit or regulate the display of lights of any description within the State; and
- (b) make such provision as he deems necessary to protect the persons and property of the civil population in that State or any part thereof in case of emergency,

and that all persons within such State or area (as the case may be) to which any such Order applies shall comply with the requirements of that Order:

Now therefore I, Albert Arthur Dunstan, Premier of the State of Victoria, having duly held such consultations, do hereby make the following Order:—

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the Lighting Restriction Order (Victoria) No. 4.

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2. The Lighting Restriction Order (Victoria) No. 3 is amended by inserting after clause 3 the following clause:—

Relaxation of lighting restrictions on motor vehicles in vehicular brown-out area until notification by Premier.

“3A. (1) This clause shall continue in operation until such time as the Premier by notice published in the *Victoria Government Gazette* declares that the clause is no longer in operation.

(2) This clause shall apply with respect to motor vehicles which between sunset and sunrise are within any part of the vehicular brown-out area which is not within ten miles of the ocean coast-line of the State of Victoria.

For the purposes of this sub-clause no place within three miles of the Geelong post office shall be regarded as being within ten miles of the ocean coast-line of the State of Victoria.

(3) The driver or person in charge of a motor vehicle shall not be deemed to have contravened or failed to comply with the provisions of this Part of this Order by reason only that the masks on the headlamps of the motor vehicle have been removed if—

(a) the masks so removed or other masks conforming to a sample which has been approved by an approving authority are carried on the motor vehicle and kept in a serviceable condition; and

(b) in the event of the First signal within the meaning of the Air Raid Warning System Order (Victoria) being sounded the unmasked headlamps are immediately masked or covered so that either no light is displayed from any such headlamp or the intensity of illumination from any such headlamp on a vertical surface at any point 10 feet from the lamp does not exceed 2.5 foot candles and such headlamps are kept so masked or covered during the period between the sounding of the First signal and the sounding of the Second signal within the meaning of that Order.

(4) In this clause ‘headlamp’ means an authorized headlamp, an authorized dual-purpose lamp, or an authorized indicating-lamp and an ‘unmasked headlamp’ means such a lamp from which the mask has been removed.

(5) Nothing in this clause shall be deemed to limit or affect the operation of clauses 10 or 11 of this Order.”

A. A. DUNSTAN,

Premier of Victoria.

Dated the 13th day of October, 1942.

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