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COMMONWEALTH NATIONAL SECURITY (GENERAL)
REGULATIONS.

STATE OF VICTORIA.

AIR-RAID SHELTERS ORDER.

ORDER No. 57.

WHEREAS by Regulation 35A of the Commonwealth National Security (General) Regulations it is provided, *inter alia*, 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 Commander of a Lines of Communication Area or an officer authorized by the Minister of State for the Army to act on behalf of such Commander, by Order 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:—

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

1. This Order may be cited as the Air-Raid Shelters Order (Victoria) No. 5.

2. The Air-Raid Shelters Order (Victoria) is amended by inserting after clause 2 the following clause:—

“2A. (1) During the continuance in operation of this clause the following provisions shall have effect notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Order:—

(a) Any owner of a building who is or may be required by or under the provisions of clause 3 or clause 4 of this Order to construct an air-raid shelter and who has not constructed such a shelter need not construct such a shelter;

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Shelters
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(Victoria).

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- (b) Any air-raid shelter constructed pursuant to this Order in a building may, with the consent of the council of the municipality in the municipal district of which the building is situated, be removed if the space occupied by the air-raid shelter is required for purposes directly connected with the prosecution of the war;
- (c) Any air-raid shelter constructed in a building pursuant to this Order may, with the consent of the council of the municipality in the municipal district of which the building is situated, be altered for the purpose of providing or improving ventilation and natural lighting;
- (d) Any air-raid shelter constructed of timber or of galvanized steel sheet barricades filled with earth or other material or of the trench type which has been constructed pursuant to this Order and which it is desirable to dismantle because the materials used in its construction are required for other purposes or because it has become dangerous or a public nuisance may, with the consent of the council of the municipality in the municipal district of which such shelter is situated, be dismantled and filled in;
- (e) Any work carried out pursuant to this clause shall be carried out subject to the provisions (so far as applicable) of the National Security (Man Power) Regulations and the National Security (Building Operations) Regulations.

S.R. 1042,
No. 34, as
amended, 1944,
No. 85.

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

(3) No such notice shall be published as aforesaid except after consultation by the Premier 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 Commander of a Lines of Communication Area or an officer authorized by the Minister of State for the Army to act on behalf of such Commander."

A. A. DUNSTAN,
Premier of Victoria.

Dated this 7th day of July, 1944.

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