

COTTON ORDINANCE 1951.⁽¹⁾

No. 35 of 1951.

An Ordinance to Regulate the Cotton Growing Industry.

BE it ordained by the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Papua and New Guinea Act 1949-1950, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Cotton Ordinance 1951.⁽¹⁾ *Short title.*
2. This Ordinance shall come into operation on a date to be *Commencement.* fixed by the Administrator by notice⁽¹⁾ in the Gazette.
3. The Cotton Ordinance, 1925⁽²⁾ of the Territory of Papua is *Repeal.* repealed.
4. In this Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears— *Definition.*
“cotton plant” includes every part of that plant and every product thereof.
- 5.—(1) The Administrator may make regulations⁽³⁾ for any *Regulations for cotton growing.* purposes tending to the improvement of the cotton-growing industry in the Territory and in particular for the following purposes:—
 - (a) for regulating, prohibiting or restricting the importation or introduction into the Territory or into a District thereof of the cotton plant or a variety thereof;
 - (b) for regulating and restricting the methods to be used for the propagation and cultivation of cotton plants and the purposes for which cotton plants may be grown;
 - (c) prescribing and restricting the varieties of cotton seed which may be sown and the sources from and through which the seed must be obtained;

(1) Particulars of this Ordinance are as follows:—

Date on which made by Cwth. Administrator in Council.	Date on which notified in Cwth. Gaz.	Date on which took effect.
24.10.1951	1.11.1951	(a)

(a) The Cotton Ordinance 1951 was not notified to commence before the date fixed under Section 35 of the Papua and New Guinea Act 1949-1950, and, *semble*, was not continued in force by Section 56 of that Act.

(2) Printed in *The Laws of the Territory of Papua 1888-1945 (Annotated)*, Vol. I., on pp. 563-564.

(3) No regulations have been made before 1.1.1952.

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- (d) for the registration of the growers of cotton;
- (e) for authorizing and regulating the inspection of cotton plantations and cotton ginneries;
- (f) for regulating and restricting the disposal of cotton seed; and
- (g) prescribing penalties not exceeding One hundred pounds for a breach of the regulations.

(2.) All penalties incurred for any breach of the regulations may, on the complaint of the Director of the Department of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries or of any person authorized by him, be recovered in a summary way—

- (a) if the breach occurred in the Territory of Papua, under the Justices Ordinance, 1912-1950⁽⁴⁾ of that Territory; or
- (b) if the breach occurred in the Territory of New Guinea, under the District Courts Ordinance 1924-1947⁽⁵⁾ of that Territory.

(4) The Justices Ordinance, 1912-1940 is printed in *The Laws of the Territory of Papua 1888-1945 (Annotated)*, Vol. I., on pp. 885-955; as to subsequent amendments see Supplementary Table.

(5) The District Courts Ordinance 1924-1938 is printed in *The Laws of the Territory of New Guinea 1921-1945 (Annotated)*, Vol. I., on pp. 1071-1149; as to subsequent amendments see the footnotes to that Ordinance.