Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1982

Statutory Rules 1982 No. 323 as amended

made under the

Freedom of Information Act 1982

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1 Name of Regulations [*see* Note 1]

These Regulations are the *Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1982*.

2 Interpretation

In these Regulations, ***the Act*** means the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.

3 Prescribed authorities

For the purposes of paragraph (b) of the definition of ***prescribed authority*** in subsection 4 (1) of the Act, each of the bodies specified in Schedule 1 is declared to be a prescribed authority for the purposes of the Act.

4 Principal offices

(1) For the purposes of paragraph (b) of the definition of ***principal officer*** in subsection 4 (1) of the Act, an office specified in Column 3 of an item in Schedule 2 is declared to be the principal office in respect of the prescribed authority or the prescribed authorities, as the case may be, specified in Column 2 of that item in that Schedule.

(2) Unless the contrary intention appears, a reference to an office in Column 3 of an item in Schedule 2 is a reference to that office in the prescribed authority or prescribed authorities, as the case may be, specified in Column 2 of that item.

5 Responsible Minister in respect of certain authorities

For the purposes of paragraph (d) of the definition of ***responsible Minister*** in subsection 4 (1) of the Act, the Minister specified in Column 3 of an item in Schedule 3 is declared to be the responsible Minister in respect of the prescribed authority specified in Column 2 of that item in that Schedule.

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6 Prescribed requirements concerning the furnishing of information pursuant to subsection 93 (2) of the Act

For the purposes of subsection 93 (2) of the Act, the prescribed requirements concerning the furnishing of information required by the Minister are the following:

(a) in respect of information that is required to be furnished in relation to a quarter — that the information be furnished not later than 21 days after the last day of the quarter in relation to which the information is furnished;

(b) in respect of information that is required to be furnished in relation to a year ending on 30 June — that the information be furnished not later than 31 days after the last day of the year in relation to which the information is furnished.

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Schedule 1 Bodies declared to be prescribed authorities

(regulation 3)

Aboriginal Hostels Limited
Coal Mines Insurance Pty Ltd
National Media Liaison Service

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Schedule 2 Principal offices in respect of prescribed authorities

(regulation 4)

Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
1	Aboriginal Hostels Limited	General Manager
1A	Acute Care Advisory Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
2	Administrative Appeals Tribunal	Registrar
3	Affirmative Action Agency	Director
4	Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation	Chief Executive Officer
5	Anglo-Australian Telescope Board	Secretary
6	Australia Council	General Manager
7	Australia-Japan Foundation	Executive Director
9	Australian Broadcasting Corporation	Managing Director
10	Australian Bureau of Statistics	Australian Statistician
11	Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research	Director
11A	Australian Competition Tribunal	Registrar
12	Australian Crime Commission	Chief Executive Officer
13	Australian Customs Service	Comptroller-General of Customs
14	Australian Drug Evaluation Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health

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Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
15	Australian Electoral Commission	Electoral Commissioner
16	Australian Federal Police	Commissioner of Police
17	Australian Film Commission	Chief Executive
18	Australian Film, Television and Radio School	Director
19	Australian Government Solicitor	Secretary to the Attorney-General's Department
19A	Australian Hearing Services	General Manager
20	Australian Heritage Commission	Director
22	Australian Horticultural Corporation	Managing Director
23	Australian Industrial Court	Industrial Registrar
24	Australian Industrial Registry	Industrial Registrar
25	Australian Industrial Relations Commission	Industrial Register
26	Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies	Principal
28	Australian Institute of Criminology	Director
29	Australian Institute of Family Studies	Director
30	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare	Director
31	Australian Institute of Marine Science	Secretary
32	Australian Institute of Multicultural Affairs	Director
33	Australian Maritime College	Principal
34	Australian Meat and Livestock Corporation	Managing Director

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Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
36	Australian National Maritime Museum	Director
37	Australian National University	Vice-Chancellor
38	Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation	Executive Director
39	Australian Postal Corporation	Managing Director
40	Australian Science and Technology Council	Secretary
41	Australian Sports Commission	Executive Director
42	Australian Sports Drug Agency	Chief Executive
43	Australian Tourist Commission	Managing Director
44	Australian Trade Commission	Managing Director
45	Australian Trade Union Training Authority	National Director
46	Australian War Memorial	Director
47	Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation	General Manager
48	Bureau of Meteorology	Director
49	Central (Blacksmithing Trades) Committee	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
50	Central (Boilermaking Trades) Committee	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
51	Central (Electrical Trades) Committee	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
52	Central (Engineering Trades) Committee	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
53	Central (Sheetmetal Trades) Committee	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations

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Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
54	Children's Services Program National Advisory Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
55	Children's Services Program Planning Committees for the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
56	Civil Aviation Authority	Chief Executive Officer
57	Coal Industry Tribunal	Secretary
58	Comcare	Chief Executive Officer
59	Commonwealth Employment Service Advisory Committee	Secretary to the Department of Employment, Education and Training
60	Commonwealth Explosives Transport Committee	Secretary to the Department of Transport
61	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	Chairperson
62	Copyright Tribunal	Secretary
63	Defence Force Discipline Appeal Tribunal	Registrar
64	Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal	Secretary
65	Deputy Industrial Registrars	Industrial Registrar
66	Designs Office	Commissioner of Patents
68	Family Court of Australia	Chief Executive Officer
70	Federal Court of Australia	Registrar
71	Federal Court of Bankruptcy	Registrar of the Federal Court of Australia

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Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
72	Federal Police Disciplinary Tribunal	Registrar
73	Financial Corporations Act Committees	Secretary to the Department of the Treasury
74	Health Insurance Advisory Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
76	High Court of Australia	Clerk of the High Court of Australia
77	Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission	Human Rights Commissioner
78	Law Reform Commission	Deputy President
79	Local (Blacksmithing Trades) Committees	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
80	Local (Boilermaking Trades) Committees	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
81	Local (Electrical Trades) Committees	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
82	Local (Engineering Trades) Committees	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
83	Local (Sheetmetal Trades) Committees	Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations
84	Management and Investment Companies Licensing Board	Executive Director
85	Marine Council	Secretary to the Department of Transport
86	Medical Benefits Advisory Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health

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Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
87	Medical Benefits (Dental Practitioners) Advisory Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
88	Medical Benefits (Dental Practitioners) Appeal Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
89	Medicare Benefits Advisory Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
91	National Capital Planning Authority	Chief Executive
91A	National Gallery of Australia	Director
92	National Library of Australia	Director-General
93	National Media Liaison Service	Director
94	National Museum of Australia	Director
95	National Occupational Health and Safety Commission	Chief Executive Officer
96	National Standards Commission	Executive Director
97	Nursing Homes Advisory Committees for New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
98	Nursing Homes Fees Review Committees of Inquiry for New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
99	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	First Parliamentary Counsel
100	Official Trustee in Bankruptcy	Inspector-General in Bankruptcy
101	Patent Office	Commissioner of Patents

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Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
102	Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
103	Pharmaceutical Benefits Remuneration Tribunal	Secretary
104	Pharmacy Restructuring Authority	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
105	Private Health Insurance Administration Council	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
106	Registration Committee established under section 70 of the *National Health Act 1953*	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
107	Remuneration Tribunal	Secretary
108	Reserve Bank of Australia	Governor
109	Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Trust	Secretary
110	Security Appeals Tribunal	Registrar
111	Social Security Appeals Tribunal	National Convenor
112	Special Broadcasting Service	Executive Director
113	Specialist Recognition Advisory Committees of Inquiry for the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
114	Specialist Recognition Appeal Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health

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Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
115	Student Assistance Review Tribunal	Secretary to the Department of Employment, Education and Training
116	Standards Review Panels for the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
117	Supported Accommodation Assistance Program Ministerial Advisory Committees for the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia	Secretary to the Department of Housing and Regional Development
118	Supported Accommodation Assistance Program Ministerial Advisory Committees (Joint Officers Group) for the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia	Secretary to the Department of Housing and Regional Development
120	Tax Agents' Board (New South Wales)	Secretary
121	Tax Agents' Board (Queensland)	Secretary
122	Tax Agents' Board (South Australia)	Secretary
123	Tax Agents' Board (Tasmania)	Secretary
124	Tax Agents' Board (Western Australia)	Secretary
125	Tax Agents' Board (Victoria)	Secretary

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Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed authority	Column 3 Office
126	Textile, Clothing and Footwear Development Authority	Chief Executive
127	Therapeutic Device Evaluation Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
128	Therapeutic Goods Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
129	Tobacco Research and Development Council	Manager-Secretary
130	Trade Marks Office	Commissioner of Patents
132	Trustees of the Royal Australian Air Force Welfare Trust Fund	Secretary
133	University of Canberra	Vice-Chancellor
134	Vocational Registration Appeal Committee	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health
135	Vocational Registration Eligibility Committees for the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia	Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health

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Schedule 3 Responsible Ministers in respect of prescribed authorities

(regulation 5)

Column 1 Item No.	Column 2 Prescribed Authority	Column 3 Minister
1	Aboriginal Hostels Ltd	Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs
2	Australian Industrial Court	Attorney-General
3	Australian Industrial Relations Commission	Minister for Industrial Relations
4	Coal Industry Tribunal	Minister for Industrial Relations
4A	Coal Mines Insurance Pty Ltd	Minister for Resources
5	Deputy Industrial Registrars	Minister for Industrial Relations
6	Family Court of Australia	Attorney-General
7	Federal Court of Australia	Attorney-General
8	Federal Court of Bankruptcy	Attorney-General
9	High Court of Australia	Attorney-General
10	Industrial Registrar	Minister for Industrial Relations
11	National Media Liaison Service	Minister for Administrative Services

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Notes to the *Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1982*

Note 1

The *Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1982* (in force under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*) as shown in this compilation comprise Statutory Rules 1982 No. 323 amended as indicated in the Tables below.

The *Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1982* were amended by the *Telstra (Transition to Full Private Ownership) Act 2005* (Act No. 118, 2005) and commenced on the designated day declared under section 3 of the Act. The designated day was declared to be 24 November 2006, *see* F2006L03997. The amendments are incorporated in this compilation. For application, saving or transitional provisions *see* Schedule 1, Part 2 [item 51] of the Act.

Under the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*, which came into force on 1 January 2005, it is a requirement for all non-exempt legislative instruments to be registered on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments. From 1 January 2005 the Statutory Rules series ceased to exist and was replaced with Select Legislative Instruments (SLI series). Numbering conventions remain the same, ie Year and Number.

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1982 No. 323	30 Nov 1982	1 Dec 1982 (*see Gazette* 1982, No. G48)	
1983 No. 338	30 Dec 1983	30 Dec 1983	—
1985 No. 106	13 June 1985	13 June 1985	—
1985 No. 348	20 Dec 1985	20 Dec 1985	—
1986 No. 45	4 Apr 1986	4 Apr 1986	—
1987 No. 284	17 Dec 1987	17 Dec 1987	—
1990 No. 132	25 June 1990	25 June 1990	—
1991 No. 321 *(a)*	24 Oct 1991	25 Oct 1991	—

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Year and number	Date of notification in *Gazette* or FRLI registration	Date of commencement	Application, saving or transitional provisions
1991 No. 399	12 Dec 1991	Rr. 3.2, 4.2–4.4 and 5.2: 1 Feb 1992 (*see* r. 1 and *Gazette* 1992, No. S32) Remainder: 12 Dec 1991	—
1994 No. 434	23 Dec 1994	23 Dec 1994	—
1995 No. 326	3 Nov 1995	6 Nov 1995 (*see* r. 1 and *Gazette* 1995, No. S423)	—
1998 No. 111	27 May 1998	27 May 1998	—
2004 No. 342	8 Dec 2004	8 Dec 2004	—
2005 No. 207	19 Sept 2005 (*see* F2005L02673)	1 Oct 2005 (*see* r. 2)	—

(a) Statutory Rules 1991 No. 321 were disallowed by the Senate on 24 March 1992.

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Table of Amendments

ad. = added or inserted am. = amended rep. = repealed rs. = repealed and substituted

Provision affected	How affected
R. 1	rs. 2004 No. 342
R. 5	rs. 1983 No. 338
R. 6	am. 1987 No. 284
Schedule 1	
Schedule 1	rs. 1983 No. 338; 1985 No. 106 am. 1985 No. 348; 1986 No. 45; 1987 No. 284; 1990 No. 132 rs. 1991 No. 399 am. 1991 No. 399; 1994 No. 434; Act No. 118, 2005
Schedule 2	
Schedule 2	am. 1983 No. 338 rs. 1985 No. 106 am. 1985 No. 348; 1986 No. 45 rs. 1987 No. 284 am. 1990 No. 132 rs. 1991 No. 399 am. 1991 No. 399; 1994 No. 434; 1995 No. 326; 1998 No. 111; 2004 No. 342; 2005 No. 207; Act No. 118, 2005
Schedule 3	
Schedule 3	rs. 1983 No. 338; 1985 No. 106 am. 1985 No. 348; 1986 No. 45 rs. 1987 No. 284; 1991 No. 399 am. 1991 No. 399; 1994 No. 434; Act No. 118, 2005