

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

AGRICULTURAL FIRES REGULATIONS

G.N. 145/1968.

made under section 36

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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Agricultural Fires Regulations. Citation.

2. In these Regulations— Definitions.
 “fire guardian” means a person appointed as a fire guardian or an honorary fire guardian under section 7 of the Act;
 “fire season” means the period commencing on the first day of December in any one year and ending on the thirtieth day of June in the next succeeding year or such other period as the Minister may declare by Order published in the *Gazette*;
 “permit” means a fire permit issued by the County Fire Control Officer under section 18 of the Act.

3. (1) A person may not be appointed as a fire guardian unless Qualifications
for appointment
as fire guardian.
 he—

- (a) is a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago;
- (b) is not less than nineteen years of age and not over thirty-five years of age on the 1st January of the year in which he is appointed;
- (c) is of good character;
- (d) has attained School Leaving certificate standard;
- (e) passes a medical test.

(2) The appointment of a fire guardian shall be for such period as may be determined by the County Fire Control Officer, with the approval of the Committee.

Application for
fire permits.
Schedule.

4. (1) Any person may apply in writing on Form I as in the Schedule for a fire permit to set out a fire on any land to which the Act applies, during the fire season for—

- (a) clearing the land for any purpose; or
- (b) disposing of any accumulation of refuse, brushwood or other inflammable material caused by any mining or industrial operation or by any logging or any other woods operation of any kind.

Fire permit.

(2) A fire permit shall be as in the Form II in the Schedule.

Duties of holder
of fire permits.

5. The holder of a fire permit shall—

- (a) pile all refuse, brushwood or other inflammable material in heaps or rows at a distance of at least six feet from any uncleared land, and at such further distance as in the opinion of an officer, is required;
- (b) guard a fire until extinguished;
- (c) not set out or permit a fire to burn during a high wind;
- (d) have at the location of the fire, such competent men and fire-fighting equipment as may be necessary to prevent the escape of fire.

Fire for
domestic
cooking.

6. Any person who sets out a fire out of doors for the purpose of cooking shall—

- (a) select a location for the fire free from inflammable material;
- (b) do all necessary things to prevent the fire from spreading; and
- (c) extinguish the fire before leaving the location.

Penalty.

7. Any person who fails to comply with the provisions of regulation 5 or regulation 6 is liable on summary conviction to a fine of seven hundred and fifty dollars or to imprisonment for three months.

SCHEDULE

FORM I

THE AGRICULTURAL FIRES ACT

APPLICATION FOR A FIRE PERMIT

The County Fire Control Officer

.....County.

Ido hereby apply for a fire permit under section 18(1) of the Agricultural Fires Act.

1. Location of the land, factory or mill where operation is to be carried out.	
2. Boundaries of the land, factory or mill.	North South East West
3. Approximate Area of the land, factory or mill.	
4. The character of the operation.	
5. The number of persons to be employed in the operation.	
6. The location of the camp, if any.	
7. The probable duration of the operation.	
8. Date when officer may inspect land, factory or mill.	

Date

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Signature of Applicant

This fire permit is limited todays and to the
.....location.

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County Fire Control Officer

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County

CERTIFICATE OF FIRE GUARDIAN UNDER REGULATION 4

IFire Guardian in
the County ofdo hereby
certify that I have inspected the lands, factory and mill referred to in the
application of
.....at

.....and I am satisfied that the
particulars in the said application are correct in all material respect, and
that the requirements regarding means of control and prevention of
spread of fire are satisfactory.

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Officer

Date19....

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County of