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## Government Notice

### NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

No. 114 2010

#### DETERMINATION OF COLLECTION OF STATISTICS IN RELATION TO DWELLINGS AND OTHER BUILDING STRUCTURES FOR ENUMERATION AREAS: STATISTICS ACT, 1976

In terms of the Statistics Act, 1976 (Act No. 66 of 1976), I have -

- (a) under section 3(1)(a) of that Act, determined that statistics relating to dwellings and other building structures for enumeration areas must be collected from 15 May 2010 to 31 July 2011; and
- (b) under section 17(1) of that Act, made the regulations relating to the collection of statistics referred to in paragraph (a), set out in the Schedule.

**T.K. ALWEENDO**  
**DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF PLANNING**

Windhoek, 14 May 2010

### SCHEDULE

#### Definitions

**1.** In these regulations any word or expression defined in the Act has that meaning and unless the context otherwise indicates -

“dwelling and other building structures frame” means a statistical tool consisting of a list of locations and characteristics of all dwelling units and other building structures in Namibia;

“enumeration area” means a small geographical area demarcated and coded for statistical purposes;

“household” means a person or group of persons, related or unrelated, living together in the same dwelling and having the same catering arrangements;

“respondent” means a head of the household or an appointed member of a selected household in respect of whom information or record is sought or document is provided for the purposes of the statistical collection;

“the statistical collection” means the statistical collection for dwellings and other building structures to be undertaken in terms of these regulations;

“the Act” means the Statistics Act, 1976 (Act No. 66 of 1976).

### **Objectives of the statistical collection**

2. The objectives of the statistical collection are to -
  - (a) demarcate the country into small geographic areas on maps for the purpose of any statistical collection;
  - (b) establish a comprehensive dwelling and other building structures frame for demarcation of enumeration areas and for use in any statistical undertaking; and
  - (c) collect data on dwelling, household and other building characteristics with their physical location by means of geographical coordinates.

### **Furnishing and Collection of Statistics**

3. (1) After having been furnished with a questioner by an officer, a respondent must furnish the officer with the information requested and the officer must capture the answers on a mobile information capturing device provided for that purpose.

(2) An officer may at all reasonable times, on production of his or her appointment certificate enter any dwelling unit or other building structure for the purposes of –

- (a) presenting a respondent with the questions relevant to the statistical collection;
  - (b) delivering documents or collecting documents, records or other information required for the statistical collection; or
  - (c) making any enquiry as he or she is required to make for the purposes of the statistical collection.
- (4) A respondent must -
- (a) provide answers to the questions of an officer required for the statistical collection in a truthful and timely manner, and may not provide false answers, conceal data, refuse to submit data or submit such data late; and
  - (b) if required in the process of the statistics collection, provide records, data or documentation without delay.

- (5) A respondent must furnish -
- (a) particulars in relation to persons as follows:
- (i) name and surname of the head of household;
  - (ii) name and surname of the traditional leader for a specific area or in respect of group of households where appropriate;
  - (iii) contact details of the household; and
  - (iv) household population;
- (b) particulars in relation to housing and the household as follows:
- (i) type of dwelling or building structure;
  - (ii) number of structures in the unit;
  - (iii) main construction materials;
  - (iv) physical address;
  - (v) locality name; and
  - (vi) geographical coordinates of structure and entrance;
- (c) particulars relating to other building structures as follows:
- (i) water supply;
  - (ii) energy supply;
  - (iii) sanitation;
  - (iv) use;
  - (v) public transport services;
  - (vi) telecommunication facilities; and
  - (vii) road accessibility.

(6) An officer must at all times when conducting an interview affix to his or her clothing an identification tag, which is clearly visible and must on request produce his or her certificate of appointment as an officer.

#### **Prohibition of disclosure of information**

**4.** (1) Unless as permitted by the Act no document, information or record provided to an officer in the course of the statistics collection or obtained from administrative records that relates to a household or a respondent may be -

- (a) disclosed to a third party;

- (b) admitted as evidence in legal proceedings, except for purposes of criminal proceedings in terms of these regulations; or
- (c) disclosed to a government body for non-statistical purposes.

(2) Documents, information or records obtained in the course of the statistics collection may not be published or disseminated in a manner which permits the identification of a specific individual, business or other organisation, unless that person, business or organisation has consented in writing to the publication or dissemination in that manner.

(3) The provisions of subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to documents, information or records about a specific individual, business or other organisation already published or available on a database accessible to the public or to documents, information or records for whose publication the individual, business or other organisation has given written permission.

(4) A person employed in carrying out any of the provisions of these regulations must before the Secretary or his delegate take the Oath of Office and Secrecy prescribed in the Annexure.

### **Offences and penalties**

**5.** A person who contravenes or fails to comply with these regulations commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding N\$200 or in the case of a continuing contravention or failure to comply with the regulations, to a fine not exceeding N\$10 for every day during which the contravention or failure continues.

**ANNEXURE****OATH OF OFFICE AND SECRECY**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do swear that I will faithfully and honestly fulfil my duty as \_\_\_\_\_ in conformity with the requirements of the Regulations relating to determination of collection of statistics in relation to dwelling, household and other building characteristics and that I will not otherwise other than in ordinary course of my employment, without the authority in writing of the Government Statistician ever disclose or make known any matter or thing which comes to my knowledge by reason of my said employment.

**“SO HELP ME GOD”**

**Thus Sworn To And Signed This** \_\_\_\_\_ **Day Of** \_\_\_\_\_ **At**  
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**FULL NAME AND SIGNATURE**  
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