

CO-OPERATIVES

Co-operatives Act 23 of 1996

Summary: This Act ([GG 1467](#)) regulates the formation, registration and winding-up of co-operatives. It repeals the Co-operative Societies Ordinance 15 of 1946.

Regulations: Regulations made in terms of the previous Co-operatives Societies Ordinance 15 of 1946 survive pursuant to section 110(2) of this Act, which states: “Anything done under a provision of the repealed Ordinance which may be done under a provision of this Act shall be deemed to have been done under the last-mentioned provision.” Pre-independence regulations have not been researched.

Regulations are authorised by section 107 of the current Act, but none have yet been promulgated.

Notices: Fees for registration and provisional registration of co-operatives are set in GN 66/1997 ([GG 1537](#)).

Notices relating to the establishment and winding up of particular co-operatives have not been recorded here.

Commentary: Division of Cooperative Development, Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Rural Development, *Book 1-Cooperatives in Namibia: Introduction*, *Book 2-Guide to the Namibian Cooperatives Act*, *Book 3-Guide to the Model By-laws for Namibian Cooperatives*, undated.