

Statutory Instrument No. 58 of 1981

CENSUS ACT
(Cap. 17:02)

CENSUS REGULATIONS, 1981

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SCHEDULE

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred on His Excellency the President by section 3 of the Census Act, the following Regulations are hereby made —

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Census Regulations, 1981, and shall apply in respect of the census to be taken in pursuance of the Census Order, 1981. Citation and application

2. The duties of census officers shall be — Duties of census officers
 - (a) to enumerate persons within Botswana during the period the census is to be taken at such times (excluding the periods between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.) and at such places as may be expedient;
 - (b) to ask such questions of any person so enumerated as may be necessary in order to obtain, in respect of that person and, where expedient, in respect of any other person such as is referred to in regulation 4, the information referred to in regulation 3; and
 - (c) to map inhabited areas of Botswana and to include in the maps, among other things, all arable land and cattle post areas.

3. The information to be obtained by a census officer in respect of any person shall be the information specified in the Schedule. Information required

4. Every person questioned by a census officer in or within the precincts of any house or other dwelling shall, if so required by the census officer, — Duty of persons enumerated to give information concerning other members of family etc. absent
 - (a) give, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the information referred to in regulation 3 in respect of any member of the household of the house or other dwelling who is absent from the house or other dwelling at the time of questioning by the census officer;
 - (b) give such information as he may possess as to how long any member of the household of the house or other dwelling who is absent from Botswana has been absent from Botswana; and
 - (c) give, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the information referred to in regulation 3 in respect of any other person who spent the preceding night at the house or other dwelling.

Other persons
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give
information

5. A census officer may require any person who has attained the age or apparent age of 12 years to give any information which a person may otherwise be required by or under these Regulations to give.

Schedules
prescribed

6. Schedules to be used for the purposes of sections 6, 7 and 9 of the Act shall be in forms approved therefor by the Minister.

Offences

7. (1) Any person who, without reasonable cause, —
(a) fails to give any information which he is required by or under these Regulations to give;
(b) for the purposes of the census, gives to any census officer any information which he knows to be false or does not believe to be true; or
(c) wilfully hinders or obstructs any census officer in the exercise of a power or the performance of a duty conferred or imposed on him by the Act or these Regulations,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of P100 and to imprisonment for 3 months.

(2) In any proceedings for an offence under subregulation (1), the court shall presume that the accused person acted without reasonable cause unless the contrary is proved.

SCHEDULE (reg. 3)
INFORMATION TO BE OBTAINED BY CENSUS OFFICER IN
RESPECT OF ANY PERSON

Name
Relationship to head of household
Sex
Age
Marital status
Citizenship
Place of usual living
Migration
Education
Type of economic activity
Occupation
Industry
Fertility
Absent members of household
Mortality
Agricultural activity
Length of occupation of home
Tenure
Housing type
Materials of construction
Water supply
Fuel used for domestic purposes
Sanitation

MADE this 10th day of June, 1981.

Q.K.J. MASIRE,
President.