

GENERAL DIRECTIONS FOR GUIDANCE OF LICENSED SURVEYORS.

I, JOSEPH ORTON BOURNE, Registrar of Titles of the Colony of Queensland, have, under the powers in me vested by the forty-fifth section of "The Real Property Act of 1877," made the following Regulations with regard to Surveyors licensed under the Acts referred to, in lieu of those hitherto in use:—

SURVEYS.

1. In all surveys every boundary is to be laid out by theodolite and actually measured.
2. Where not incompatible with the objects of the survey, it is desirable that the bearings of the lines be made to coincide with whole degrees.
3. Should the subdivisional survey differ from the original, it will be necessary to show on the plan to what extent the original boundaries have been found, and that any excess over the lengths in the deed does not arise so as to overlap on adjoining properties or roads.
4. In the event of a survey differing from the original in the Surveyor-General's office to such an extent as to necessitate its correction under "The Titles to Land Act," the amended survey will have to be passed by the Surveyor-General before it can be accepted as correct.
5. In every case the Registrar of Titles shall decide whether the error is sufficient to necessitate its correction.
6. All bearings are to be given in degrees and minutes, numbering from the north round by east to 360 degrees.

PLANS.

1. Unless there are special reasons for a contrary course, plans must be drawn with the north upwards, and the magnetic north must be carefully marked on every plan by a line across the whole sheet. The scale of the plan should in every instance be stated.
2. All plans must be plotted on the scale provided by "The Real Property Act," viz.—

Not exceeding 1 acre, 2 chains to 1 inch.	Not exceeding 80 acres, 10 chains to 1 inch.
Not exceeding 5 acres, 5 chains to 1 inch.	Exceeding 80 acres, 20 chains to 1 inch.
3. Traverse lines of survey are to be shown by red or blue lines, and the bearings or angles and lengths are either to be marked red or blue on the lines. Where the original traverse is adopted, the surveyor should state so on the plan.
4. Lines of coasts, rivers, creeks, &c., are to be shown where surveyed by black lines, and where unsurveyed by broken black lines, and an arrow inserted to indicate the direction in which the waters flow.
5. The titles to plans are to explain clearly what the plan is intended to represent, indicating the town, parish, and county, if within any or all of these, the numbers of subdivisions of allotments or portions measured and their particular locality where not in a town.
6. For the convenience of record, plans should not be drawn on larger paper than is necessary to contain the work, nor on smaller than a sheet of foolscap size.
7. Plans must in every case be signed not only by the surveyor, whose signature should be attested by a magistrate, but by the proprietor or other person on whose behalf same is lodged.
8. Each plan must be accompanied by a declaration in the annexed Form A.
9. Descriptions of subdivisions inserted in transfers or other instruments lodged for registration must agree, or be corrected to agree, with the certified plan as finally approved.
10. Any alteration in any description or otherwise in any such instrument, or any plan relating thereto made after the original execution of the instrument or lodgment of the plan, must be verified, in token of approval, by the initials of all persons whose rights or interests may be affected by such alterations. Provided always that in the correction of any such error the original words or figures shall not be erased or rendered illegible, and the date of alteration shall be affixed and the correction initialled.
11. Printed plan paper will be supplied in suitable sizes at cost price; no plan (unless declared previous to the 11th July, 1879) will be received which is not drawn on the paper supplied.
12. The Registrar of Titles may require the production of the field books of any survey to assist him in the examination of the plan of such survey.
13. The Registrar of Titles shall have the power to tax the cost of any survey executed under these Regulations.

14. With a view to accuracy in preparing list under section 41, every licensed surveyor desirous of appearing on it must send a memorandum to that effect, signed by himself, and with his usual address, to the Registrar of Titles, so as to be received not later than the last day of the year, otherwise his license will be presumed to have lapsed and his name will be omitted from the list then about to be published.

15. Any licensed surveyor who has been unable or has neglected to comply with this Regulation may by forwarding such a request as aforesaid, have his name inserted in a supplementary list, to be published when occasion requires, upon payment of a sum of five shillings to cover the cost of publishing such supplementary list.

16. Suspension or cancellation of surveyors' licenses will be strictly enforced for any negligence, want of skill, untrustworthiness, or inability to perform their duties, or neglect of any regulation, or for any refusal to comply with any reasonable request under section 42. All errors must be corrected at the expense of the licensed surveyor. Upon the suspension of any surveyor no plans certified to by him during such suspension will be received in this office.

17. No surveyor, whose license has been cancelled, will be entitled to obtain a fresh license unless good grounds shall be shown in support thereof.

18. On receipt of a notice from the Surveyor-General that a surveyor's license has been cancelled or suspended by him under and by virtue of section 120 of "The Crown Lands Act of 1884," the Registrar of Titles may likewise cancel or suspend the license of such surveyor, and no renewal will be granted or suspension removed unless or until the Surveyor-General has given notice of that surveyor's reinstatement.

19. On the suspension or cancellation of a surveyor's license the same will be notified publicly in the *Government Gazette* and one or more of the local papers, and by letter to party concerned and the Surveyor's Institute; and on reinstatement the same course will be adopted.

Witness my hand and seal of office this seventh day of March, 1890.

J. O. BOURNE,  
Registrar of Titles.

ANNEXURE A.

I do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that I have faithfully and truly surveyed, measured, and marked on the ground the portion of land referred to in the within declaration, and that the measurements and boundaries given in this plan situated in county of parish of are correct, and do not, to the best of my belief, in any way interfere with the rights or property of any persons, owners, or occupiers of land adjoining the above land, and described in the said plan, and I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true, by virtue of the provisions of "The Oaths Act of 1867."

[Signature]

Licensed Surveyor.

Made and Signed at

on this day of 18 before me—

[Signature of Registrar of Titles or of a Magistrate.]