

South Australia

# South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Regulations 2015

under the *South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 2013*

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### 1—Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Regulations 2015*.

### 2—Commencement

- (1) Subject to subregulation (2), these regulations will come into operation on 29 March 2015.
- (2) The following provisions of these regulations will come into operation on 9 May 2015:
  - (a) regulation 14(5)(a);
  - (b) regulation 14(5)(e);
  - (c) regulation 14(5)(f);
  - (d) item 2(c) of Schedule 1.

### 3—Interpretation

In these regulations, unless the contrary intention appears—

*Act* means the *South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 2013*.

### 4—Meaning of decision of the Tribunal

For the purposes of the definition of *decision* in section 3(1) of the Act, a decision of the Tribunal does not include the following interlocutory directions, determinations or orders in respect of the operation of sections 70 and 71 of the Act:

- (a) the adjournment of proceedings by the Tribunal or the refusal of the Tribunal to adjourn proceedings (including without limitation, such an order made in respect of a conference under section 50 of the Act);
- (b) a direction of the Tribunal under section 45(1) or (3) of the Act;
- (c) a direction of the Tribunal under section 60(2)(e), (f), (g) or (i) of the Act;
- (d) a determination of the Tribunal under section 67(1) or (2) of the Act;
- (e) a direction of the Tribunal to the Public Advocate under section 28 of the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1993* to conduct an investigation;
- (f) a decision of the Tribunal to authorise the publication of a report of proceedings under section 81(2) of the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1993*.

### 5—Review jurisdiction of Tribunal

- (1) For the purposes of section 34(2) of the Act, the following decisions are not reviewable decisions under section 34 of the Act:
  - (a) a decision that is the subject, or forms part, of a residential park dispute under the *Residential Parks Act 2007* (even if the decision is made by a park owner of a residential park who is an agency or instrumentality of the Crown);
  - (b) a decision that is the subject, or forms part, of a tenancy dispute under the *Residential Tenancies Act 1995* (even if the decision is made by a landlord who is the South Australian Housing Trust, a community housing provider who is an agency or instrumentality of the Crown, or some other agency or instrumentality of the Crown);
  - (c) a decision made by an administering authority of a retirement village that—
    - (i) is the subject of an application under section 31(8) of the *Retirement Villages Act 1987*; or
    - (ii) is the subject, or forms part, of a dispute between the administering authority and a resident of a retirement village under the *Retirement Villages Act 1987*,(even if the administering authority is an agency or instrumentality of the Crown).

- (2) For the purposes of section 34(2) of the Act, the following decisions are reviewable decisions under section 34 of the Act:
- (a) a decision that is the subject, or forms part, of a dispute or application under Schedule 2 clause 2 of the *Community Housing Providers (National Law) (South Australia) Act 2013*;
  - (b) a decision that is the subject, or forms part of a dispute or application under section 84 of the *South Australian Co-operative and Community Housing Act 1991* insofar as an application may be made under that section by a transitioning housing co-operative or transitioning housing association under Schedule 3 Part 4 of the *Community Housing Providers (National Law) (South Australia) Act 2013*.

- (3) In this regulation—

**administering authority** of a retirement village, has the same meaning as in the *Retirement Villages Act 1987*;

**community housing provider** has the same meaning as in the *Community Housing Providers (National Law) (South Australia) Act 2013*;

**landlord** has the same meaning as in the *Residential Tenancies Act 1995*;

**park owner** of a residential park, has the same meaning as in the *Residential Parks Act 2007*;

**resident** of a retirement village, has the same meaning as in the *Retirement Villages Act 1987*;

**residential park dispute** has the same meaning as in the *Residential Parks Act 2007*;

**South Australian Housing Trust** includes a subsidiary of the South Australian Housing Trust within the meaning of the *South Australian Housing Trust Act 1995*;

**tenancy dispute** has the same meaning as in the *Residential Tenancies Act 1995*;

**transitioning housing association** has the same meaning as in Schedule 3 Part 4 clause 16 of the *Community Housing Providers (National Law) (South Australia) Act 2013*;

**transitioning housing co-operative** has the same meaning as in Schedule 3 Part 4 clause 15 of the *Community Housing Providers (National Law) (South Australia) Act 2013*.

## **6—Provision of reasons for decision or other documents or things by decision-maker**

For the purposes of section 35(2) of the Act, the time prescribed for the provision of a written statement of reasons or other relevant document or thing referred to in that section is 21 days from the time the decision-maker receives notice that an application has been made to the Tribunal for a review of the decision-maker's decision.

## **7—Orders for costs of party etc in prescribed circumstances**

For the purposes of section 57(3) of the Act, an order of the Tribunal to dismiss or strike out any proceedings under the following provisions are prescribed:

- (a) section 47(4) of the Act;

- (b) section 48(2) of the Act;
- (c) section 49(2) of the Act.

## 8—Service

- (1) For the purposes of section 87(3) of the Act, the Tribunal may order that a process, notice or other document required or authorised to be given to or served on a person relating to any proceedings before the Tribunal may—
  - (a) be given to the person personally; or
  - (b) be left for the person at the person's last known or usual place of residence or business with someone apparently over the age of 16 years; or
  - (c) be transmitted by fax or email to a fax number or email address provided by the person to the Tribunal (in which case the notice or other document will be taken to have been given or served at the time of transmission); or
  - (d) if the person is a company or registered body within the meaning of the *Corporations Act 2001* of the Commonwealth, be served in accordance with that Act.
- (2) If a person refuses to accept personal service of a notice or other document required or authorised to be served on the person under the Act, or a relevant Act for the purpose of proceedings before the Tribunal, the notice or document will be taken to have been served personally on the person if the person serving the notice or document—
  - (a) puts it down in the person's presence; and
  - (b) tells the person what the notice or document is.
- (3) It is not necessary to show the original of the notice or document to the person being served.

## 9—Enforcement of monetary orders

- (1) A party to proceedings under a designated Act is recognised for the purposes of section 89(1) of the Act.
- (2) Unless subregulation (1) would otherwise apply, in the case of a monetary order made by the Tribunal that is an order as to the payment of costs—the person in favour of whom the order is made is recognised for the purposes of section 89(1) of the Act.
- (3) In subregulation (1)—

*designated Act* means—

  - (a) the *Community Housing Providers (National Law) (South Australia) Act 2013*;
  - (b) the *Local Government Act 1999*;
  - (c) the *Residential Parks Act 2007*;
  - (d) the *Residential Tenancies Act 1995*;
  - (e) the *Retirement Villages Act 1987*;
  - (f) the *South Australian Housing Trust Act 1995*;
  - (g) the *Valuation of Land Act 1971*.

## 10—Accessibility of evidence

- (1) For the purposes of section 90(2)(d) of the Act, the following classes of material are prescribed:
- (a) recordings of Tribunal proceedings in the form of an audio, video or other recording from which a visual image or sound can be produced;
  - (b) material concerning the personal affairs of a person, the general disclosure of which would be unreasonable;
  - (c) material that contains allegations or suggestions of criminal or other improper conduct on the part of a person, the truth of which has not been established by judicial process and the general disclosure of which would be unreasonable;
  - (d) material that contains matter consisting of information—
    - (i) concerning a person under the age of 18 years, or concerning such a person's family or circumstances, or information of any kind furnished by a person who was under that age when the information was furnished; and
    - (ii) the general disclosure of which would be unreasonable having regard to the need to protect that person's welfare;
  - (e) material that contains matter consisting of information—
    - (i) concerning a person suffering from a mental illness, impairment or infirmity or concerning such a person's family or circumstances, or any information of any kind furnished by a person suffering from mental illness, impairment or infirmity when the information was furnished; and
    - (ii) the general disclosure of which would be unreasonable having regard to the need to protect that person's welfare.
- (2) In this regulation—  
*personal affairs* of a person includes that person's—
- (a) financial affairs;
  - (b) criminal records;
  - (c) marital or other personal relationships;
  - (d) employment records;
  - (e) personal qualities, attributes or health status.

## 11—Orders for costs of proceedings in prescribed circumstances

For the purposes of section 91(3)(b) of the Act, the Tribunal may, in respect of proceedings that come within the Tribunal's review jurisdiction, make an order for costs of proceedings against a party in the following circumstances:

- (a) if the Tribunal makes an order to dismiss or strike out all, or any part, of a proceeding under section 47(3) of the Act;
- (b) if the Tribunal makes an order to dismiss or strike out all, or any part, of a proceeding under section 47(4) of the Act;

- (c) if the Tribunal makes an order to dismiss or strike out a proceeding under section 48(2) of the Act;
- (d) if the Tribunal makes an order or determination under section 49(2) of the Act.

## 12—Annual report

Pursuant to section 92(3) of the Act, a report under section 92 of the Act must include the following particulars of all warrants issued by the Tribunal under the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1993* during the financial year to which the report relates:

- (a) the number of warrants issued during the financial year;
- (b) the status of the applicants for the warrants;
- (c) the age, sex and details of the mental incapacity of the persons to whom the warrants related;
- (d) the grounds on which the warrants were issued;
- (e) the action taken under the warrants.

## 13—Register of proceedings

The following information is to be included in the register of proceedings of the Tribunal:

- (a) the number allocated to the proceedings;
- (b) the date on which the proceedings commenced;
- (c) the names of the applicant and the other parties to the proceedings;
- (d) the relevant Act and the provision of that Act under which the proceedings are commenced;
- (e) if a matter is transferred to the Tribunal under the Act or another Act—
  - (i) the date of the transfer to the Tribunal; and
  - (ii) the name of the tribunal, court, body or other decision-maker from which the matter is transferred; and
  - (iii) the relevant Act and the provision of that Act under which the jurisdiction is conferred on the Tribunal;
- (f) whether a matter is referred to a conference or mediation under Part 4 Division 4 of the Act;
- (g) whether a matter is resolved by way of conference, mediation or settlement negotiations;
- (h) the details of any directions, determination or orders of the Tribunal;
- (i) whether a direction is given by the Tribunal requiring that a hearing or part of a hearing be held in private under section 60(2)(e) of the Act, and the grounds on which the direction is given;
- (j) details of a warrant issued in a matter by the Tribunal under section 69 of the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1993* including—

- (i) the status of the applicant for the warrant; and
- (ii) the age, sex and details of the mental incapacity of the person to whom the warrant relates; and
- (iii) the ground on which the warrant was issued; and
- (iv) the action that was taken under the warrant;
- (k) if the proceedings are withdrawn, the date on which they are withdrawn;
- (l) the final decision of the Tribunal and the date of that decision.

#### 14—Fees

- (1) Subject to this regulation, the fees set out in Schedule 1 are payable to the Tribunal for the purposes set out in that Schedule.
- (2) The following persons or bodies are not required to pay a fee that would otherwise be payable under these regulations:
  - (a) a Minister of the Crown;
  - (b) the Commissioner for Consumer Affairs;
  - (c) the Public Advocate;
  - (d) the Commissioner of Police;
  - (e) a public sector employee acting on behalf of a public sector agency under the *Public Sector Act 2009*;
  - (f) the South Australian Housing Trust.
- (3) Subject to subregulation (4) and the other provisions of this regulation, the fees referred to in Schedule 1, other than the fees referred to in items 3 and 5 of Schedule 1, are not payable in relation to Tribunal proceedings in respect of—
  - (a) the *Advance Care Directives Act 2013*; or
  - (b) the *Consent to Medical Treatment and Palliative Care Act 1995*; or
  - (c) the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1993*; or
  - (d) the *Mental Health Act 2009*.
- (4) The fee referred to in item 3 of Schedule 1 is not payable by an applicant for an internal review of a decision of the Tribunal in respect of proceedings under—
  - (a) the *Advance Care Directives Act 2013*; or
  - (b) the *Consent to Medical Treatment and Palliative Care Act 1995*; or
  - (c) the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1993*; or
  - (d) the *Mental Health Act 2009*,if the applicant is the person who is the subject of the proceedings.
- (5) Subject to this regulation, a fee that may be charged or is required to be paid under item 2 of Schedule 1 must be paid—
  - (a) in the case of a matter referred to the Tribunal under section 29(6a) of the *Residential Parks Act 2007*—

- (i) *where the park owner has lodged a written notice of dispute—by the park owner; or*
  - (ii) *in any other case—by the third party (as referred to in that subsection);*
- (b) in the case of a matter referred to the Tribunal under any other provision of section 29 of the *Residential Parks Act 2007*—by the park owner;
- (c) in the case of a matter referred to the Tribunal under section 63(7) of the *Residential Tenancies Act 1995*—
  - (i) where the landlord has lodged a written notice of dispute—by the landlord; or
  - (ii) in any other case—by the third party (as referred to in that subsection);
- (d) in the case of a matter referred to the Tribunal under any other provision of section 63 of the *Residential Tenancies Act 1995*—by the landlord;
- (e) *in the case of a matter referred to the Tribunal under section 105M(8) of the Residential Tenancies Act 1995—*
  - (i) *where the rooming house proprietor has lodged a written notice of dispute—by the rooming house proprietor; or*
  - (ii) *in any other case—by the third party (as referred to in that subsection);*
- (f) *in the case of a matter referred to the Tribunal under any other provision of section 105M of the Residential Tenancies Act 1995—by the rooming house proprietor.*

**Note—**

Subregulation (5)(a), (e) and (f) had not come into operation at the date of the publication of this version.

- (6) Unless a Presidential member determines otherwise, proceedings before the Tribunal are stayed until a fee that may be charged or is required to be paid under item 1, 2 or 3 of Schedule 1 is paid or payment is waived or postponed under subregulation (7) or (8).
- (7) The Registrar may, on the grounds of financial hardship, or if the Registrar considers it is fair and appropriate to do so in the circumstances of a particular case—
  - (a) waive, remit or refund a fee (or part of a fee) payable by a person; or
  - (b) postpone payment of a fee (or part of a fee) by a person until such time, and upon such conditions (if any) as the Registrar thinks fit.
- (8) A member of the Tribunal may if the member considers it is fair and appropriate to do so in the circumstances of a particular case—
  - (a) waive a fee (or part of a fee) payable by a person; or
  - (b) postpone payment of a fee (or part of a fee) by a person until such time, and upon such conditions (if any) as the member thinks fit.



- (9) For the purposes of subregulation (8), the reference to a member of the Tribunal is, where the Tribunal is constituted of a registrar or other member of staff of the Tribunal, taken to include a reference to that registrar or other member of staff.
- (10) The Registrar may require payment of a non-refundable deposit on account of any amount to which a person may become liable under Schedule 1.

## Schedule 1—Fees

1	Application for commencement of Tribunal proceedings	\$69.00
2	Referral of matter to Tribunal under—	
	(a) section 29 of the <i>Residential Parks Act 2007</i>	\$69.00
	(b) section 63 of the <i>Residential Tenancies Act 1995</i>	\$69.00
	(c) section 105M of the <i>Residential Tenancies Act 1995</i>	\$69.00
	<b>Note—</b>	
	Item 2(c) had not come into operation at the date of the publication of this version.	
3	Application for an internal review of a decision of the Tribunal under section 70 of the Act	\$500.00
4	For each request to search and inspect a record of the Tribunal	\$21.60
5	For provision of a transcript (or part of a transcript) on request of a person	\$166.00 for first 30 minutes or less requested, <b>plus</b> for each additional 30 minutes or part thereof requested— \$125.00
6	Except where item 7 applies, for copy of documentary evidence—per page	\$7.20
7	For a copy of any photograph, map, plan or other document which is greater than A4 in size	\$7.20 per page, or the actual cost of copying (whichever is greater)
8	For inspection or copy of evidence in the form of slides, film, video tape, audio tape or other form of recording—per item	\$21.60
9	For copy of reasons for decision or order—per page	\$7.20
	<b>Note—</b>	
	A party to proceedings is entitled to 1 copy of the reasons without charge.	
10	For copy of any other document—per page	\$4.40
11	For inspection or copy of a video, audio or other recording of Tribunal proceedings	\$24.00
12	For opening the Registry (or the Registry remaining open) after hours for urgent execution of process—for each hour or part of an hour	\$357.00
13	For opening the Tribunal (or the Tribunal remaining open) after hours for urgent hearing—for each hour or part of an hour	\$1 074.00

**Note—**

No fees are payable in respect of Tribunal proceedings under the *Advance Care Directives Act 2013*, the *Consent to Medical Treatment and Palliative Care Act 1995*, the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1993* or the *Mental Health Act 2009*, other than a request for provision of a transcript under item 5 (see regulation 14(3)) or an application under item 3 where the applicant is not a person who is the subject of the proceedings (see regulation 14(4)).

## Legislative history

### Notes

- In this version provisions that are uncommenced appear in italics.
- For further information relating to the Act and subordinate legislation made under the Act see the Index of South Australian Statutes or [www.legislation.sa.gov.au](http://www.legislation.sa.gov.au).

### Principal regulations

Year	No	Reference	Commencement
2015	25	<i>Gazette 5.3.2015 p906</i>	29.3.2015 except rr 14(5)(a), (e), (f) & Sch 1 item 2(c)—9.5.2015: r 2