

Water Act 1945

1945 CHAPTER 42

PART I

CENTRAL AND LOCAL PLANNING.

6 Power of Minister to require records and information from persons abstracting water.

(1) The Minister may make regulations requiring any class of persons to keep such records and furnish such returns as to the quantity and quality of water abstracted by them from any source and as to such other matters relating to the source as may be prescribed by the regulations:

Provided that—

- (a) the regulations shall not apply in a case where water is abstracted by an individual for the domestic purposes of his household only;
- (b) in a case where the Minister is satisfied that in all the circumstances compliance with any requirement of the regulations is impracticable or undue expense would be thereby incurred, he may direct that that requirement need not be complied with.
- (2) The regulations may provide for the inspection of any records kept thereunder and of any apparatus used for the purpose thereof and for the taking of copies of and extracts from any such records and may confer rights of entry for the purpose of exercising any of the powers aforesaid, and the 'section of this Act relating to entry of premises shall apply to any such right of entry.
- (3) Any person who fails to comply with any requirement of the regulations shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.