



Australian Capital Territory

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About this republication

The republished law

This is a republication of the *Standard Time and Summer Time Act 1972* (including any amendment made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 (Editorial changes)) as in force on 9 July 2008. It also includes any amendment, repeal or expiry affecting the republished law to 9 July 2008.

The legislation history and amendment history of the republished law are set out in endnotes 3 and 4.

Kinds of republications

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Editorial changes

The *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 authorises the Parliamentary Counsel to make editorial amendments and other changes of a formal nature when preparing a law for republication. Editorial changes do not change the effect of the law, but have effect as if they had been made by an Act commencing on the republication date (see *Legislation Act 2001*, s 115 and s 117). The changes are made if the Parliamentary Counsel considers they are desirable to bring the law into line, or more closely into line, with current legislative drafting practice.

This republication does not include amendments made under part 11.3 (see endnote 1).

Uncommenced provisions and amendments

If a provision of the republished law has not commenced or is affected by an uncommenced amendment, the symbol **U** appears immediately before the provision heading. The text of the uncommenced provision or amendment appears only in the last endnote.

Modifications

If a provision of the republished law is affected by a current modification, the symbol **M** appears immediately before the provision heading. The text of the modifying provision appears in the endnotes. For the legal status of modifications, see *Legislation Act 2001*, section 95.

Penalties

The value of a penalty unit for an offence against this republished law at the republication date is—

- (a) if the person charged is an individual—\$100; or
- (b) if the person charged is a corporation—\$500.



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An Act relating to standard time and summer time

1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Standard Time and Summer Time Act 1972*.

2 Dictionary

The dictionary at the end of this Act is part of this Act.

Note 1 The dictionary at the end of this Act defines certain terms used in this Act.

Note 2 A definition in the dictionary applies to the entire Act unless the definition, or another provision of the Act, provides otherwise or the contrary intention otherwise appears (see [Legislation Act](#), s 155 and s 156 (1)).

3 Notes

A note included in this Act is explanatory and is not part of this Act.

Note See the [Legislation Act](#), s 127 (1), (4) and (5) for the legal status of notes.

4 Standard time

Standard time in the ACT is 10 hours in advance of coordinated universal time.

5 Summer time

During a summer time period, summer time in the ACT is 1 hour in advance of ACT standard time.

6 Declaration of summer time period

- (1) The Minister may, in writing, declare a period to be a summer time period for this Act.
- (2) A declaration is a notifiable instrument.

Note A notifiable instrument must be notified under the [Legislation Act](#).

7 Meaning of references to time etc

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) a legal instrument refers (expressly or impliedly) to a time; or
 - (b) the doing or failure to do anything at, before or after a time has an effect in law.
- (2) The time must be worked out using—
 - (a) ACT standard time; or
 - (b) if the time is in relation to a summer time period—ACT summer time.
- (3) However, subsection (2) does not apply to a reference in a legal instrument if the legal instrument or another legal instrument expressly, or by a manifest contrary intention, provides for the reference to have another meaning.
- (4) Also, subsection (2) (b) does not affect—
 - (a) the use of ACT standard time for the purposes of astronomy, meteorology or navigation, or
 - (b) the meaning of a reference in a document to a time in relation to any of those purposes.
- (5) To remove any doubt, a reference in this section to a *time* includes a reference to a period of time.
- (6) This section applies to a legal instrument even though the instrument was made before the commencement of this section.

Dictionary

(see s 2)

Note 1 The [Legislation Act](#) contains definitions and other provisions relevant to this Act.

Note 2 For example, the [Legislation Act](#), dict, pt 1, defines the following terms:

- Act
- ACT
- instrument
- statutory instrument
- writing.

ACT standard time means standard time as fixed by section 4.

ACT summer time means summer time as fixed by section 5.

coordinated universal time means Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) as determined by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures and maintained under the [National Measurement Act 1960](#) (Cwlth), section 8AA.

legal instrument means—

- (a) an Act or statutory instrument; or
- (b) a contract or agreement (whether oral or in writing or both); or
- (c) a deed or other instrument having legal effect.

summer time period means—

- (a) a period starting at 2 am on the first Sunday in October in a year and ending at 2 am on the first Sunday in the following April; or
- (b) if the Minister declares a different period under section 6—that period.

Endnotes

1 About the endnotes

Amending and modifying laws are annotated in the legislation history and the amendment history. Current modifications are not included in the republished law but are set out in the endnotes.

Not all editorial amendments made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 are annotated in the amendment history. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel's Office.

Uncommenced amending laws and expiries are listed in the legislation history and the amendment history. These details are underlined. Uncommenced provisions and amendments are not included in the republished law but are set out in the last endnote.

If all the provisions of the law have been renumbered, a table of renumbered provisions gives details of previous and current numbering.

The endnotes also include a table of earlier republications.

2 Abbreviation key

am = amended	ord = ordinance
amdt = amendment	orig = original
ch = chapter	par = paragraph/subparagraph
def = definition	pres = present
dict = dictionary	prev = previous
disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative Assembly	(prev...) = previously
div = division	pt = part
exp = expires/expired	r = rule/subrule
Gaz = gazette	renum = renumbered
hdg = heading	reloc = relocated
IA = Interpretation Act 1967	R[X] = Republication No
ins = inserted/added	RI = reissue
LA = Legislation Act 2001	s = section/subsection
LR = legislation register	sch = schedule
LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996	sdiv = subdivision
mod = modified/modification	sub = substituted
o = order	SL = Subordinate Law
om = omitted/repealed	<u>underlining</u> = whole or part not commenced or to be expired

Endnotes

3 Legislation history

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This Act was originally a Commonwealth ordinance—the *Standard Time and Summer Time Ordinance 1972* A1972-34 (Cwlth).

The *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* (Cwlth), s 34 (4) converted most former Commonwealth ordinances in force in the ACT into ACT enactments. This allowed the ACT Legislative Assembly to amend and repeal the laws. This Act was converted into an ACT enactment on 11 May 1989 (self-government day).

As with most ordinances in force in the ACT, the name was changed from *Ordinance to Act* by the *Self-Government (Citation of Laws) Act 1989* A1989-21, s 5 on 11 May 1989 (self-government day).

Before 11 May 1989, ordinances commenced on their notification day unless otherwise stated (see *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910* (Cwlth), s 12).

After 11 May 1989 and before 10 November 1999, Acts commenced on their notification day unless otherwise stated (see *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* (Cwlth) s 25).

Legislation before becoming Territory enactment

Standard Time and Summer Time Act 1972 A1972-34

notified 23 October 1972 (Cwlth Gaz 1972 No 99)

commenced 23 October 1972

as amended by

Standard Time and Summer Time (Amendment) Ordinance 1982 Ord1982-4

notified 4 March 1982 (Cwlth Gaz 1982 No S38)

commenced 4 March 1982

Standard Time and Summer Time (Amendment) Ordinance 1986 Ord1986-1

notified 27 February 1986 (Cwlth Gaz 1986 No S72)

commenced 27 February 1986

Standard Time and Summer Time (Amendment) Ordinance (No 2) 1986 Ord1986-59

notified 10 October 1986 (Cwlth Gaz 1986 No S512)

commenced 10 October 1986

Legislation after becoming Territory enactment

Statute Law Revision (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 A1993-1 sch 1

notified 1 March 1993 ([Gaz 1993 No S23](#))
commenced 1 March 1993

Legislation (Consequential Amendments) Act 2001 A2001-44 pt 368

notified 26 July 2001 ([Gaz 2001 No 30](#))
s 1, s 2 commenced 26 July 2001 (IA s 10B)
pt 368 commenced 12 September 2001 (s 2 and see [Gaz 2001 No S65](#))

Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Act 2005 (No 3) A2005-43 sch 1 pt 1.12

notified LR 30 August 2005
s 1, s 2 commenced 30 August 2005 (LA s 75 (1))
sch 1 pt 1.12 commenced 1 September 2005 (s 2 (2))

Standard Time and Summer Time Amendment Act 2008 A2008-24

notified LR 8 July 2008
s 1, s 2 commenced 8 July 2008 (LA s 75 (1))
remainder commenced 9 July 2008 (s 2)

4 Amendment history

Dictionary

s 2 om [A2001-44](#) amdt 1.3915
ins [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.33

Notes

s 3 sub [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.33
def **daylight saving period** am [Ord1986-1](#) s 3
sub [Ord1986-59](#) s 3
om [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.33
def **summer time period** am [A2008-24](#) s 4
def **the Territory** om [A1993-1](#) sch 1
def **year** om [Ord1986-1](#) s 3

Standard time

s 4 sub [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.33

Summer time

s 5 sub [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.33

Endnotes

5 Earlier republications

Declaration of daylight saving period

s 5A ins [Ord1986-59](#) s 4
sub [A2001-44](#) amdt 1.3916
om [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.33

Declaration of summer time period

s 6 am [A2001-44](#) amdt 1.3917, amdt 1.3918
sub [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.33

Meaning of references to time etc

s 7 ins [Ord1982-4](#) s 2
sub [Ord1986-1](#) s 4
om [Ord1986-59](#) s 5
ins [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.33

Dictionary

dict ins [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.34
def **ACT standard time** ins [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.34
def **ACT summer time** ins [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.34
def **coordinated universal time** ins [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.34
def **legal instrument** ins [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.34
def **summer time period** ins [A2005-43](#) amdt 1.34
am [A2008-24](#) s 4

5 Earlier republications

Some earlier republications were not numbered. The number in column 1 refers to the publication order.

Since 12 September 2001 every authorised republication has been published in electronic pdf format on the ACT legislation register. A selection of authorised republications have also been published in printed format. These republications are marked with an asterisk (*) in column 1. Electronic and printed versions of an authorised republication are identical.

Republication No	Amendments to	Republication date
1	Ord1986-59	30 June 1991
2	A1993-1	31 August 1993
3 (RI)	A2001-44	29 July 2002
4	A2005-43	1 September 2005

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