

**CHAPTER 291.**

**WHITE PHOSPHORUS MATCHES PROHIBITION**

(1st January, 1911.)

2/1910.  
23/1961

**1.** This Ordinance may be cited as the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Ordinance.

Short title.

**2.** For the purposes of this Ordinance :—  
“white phosphorus” means the substance usually known as white or yellow phosphorus.

Definition of “white phosphorus”.

**3.** (1) It shall not be lawful for any person to use white phosphorus in the manufacture of matches.

Prohibition of use of white phosphorus in manufacture of matches.  
Ord. 23/1961.

(2) The occupier of any factory in which the manufacture of matches is carried on shall allow the Assistant Superintendent of Police or any member of the Police Force duly authorized by the Assistant Superintendent of Police, at any time to take for analysis sufficient samples of any material in use or mixed for use :

Provided that the occupier may, at any time when the sample is taken, and on providing the necessary appliances, require the Assistant Superintendent of Police or member of the Police Force as aforesaid to divide the samples so taken into two parts and to mark, seal, and deliver to him one part.

**4.** It shall not be lawful for any person to sell, or to offer or expose for sale, or to have in his possession for the purposes of sale, any matches made with white phosphorus.

Prohibition of sale.

**5.** It shall not be lawful to introduce or attempt to introduce into the Colony matches made with white phosphorus.

Prohibition of importation.

**6.** Any person offending against the provisions of this Ordinance or interfering with or obstructing the police in the execution of their duty shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred and forty dollars, and

Penalty.

all white phosphorus, or matches made with white phosphorus, found in his possession, may be seized by any officer of police and may be forfeited and destroyed by order of the Court.

Penalties, how  
recoverable.

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7. All penalties under this Ordinance shall be recoverable summarily in manner directed by the Magistrates' Code of Procedure Act.