

ORDER  
MADE UNDER  
THE EMERGENCY ORDER

UNDER SECTION 45 OF THE EMERGENCY ORDER PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 5 OF THE BRITISH GUIANA (EMERGENCY) ORDER IN COUNCIL, 1953, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE GOVERNOR AS FOLLOWS:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Explosive Substances Order, 1954.

2. In this Order—

“County” means a police county the boundaries of which have been defined under section 33 of the Constabulary Ordinance;

“District” means a police district the boundaries of which have been defined under section 33 of the Constabulary Ordinance;

“explosive” has the same meaning as in the Explosives Ordinance.

3. For the purposes of this Order the prescribed authority for any area named in the first column of the First Schedule to this Order shall be the officer specified in the second column opposite the said area

4. (1) No person shall keep or store any explosive except in a secure place approved by the Commissioner of Police.

(2) Any person who keeps or stores, or desires to keep or store any explosives in any place shall notify the Commissioner of Police in writing through the prescribed authority that he keeps or stores, or desires to keep or store explosives in such place.

(3) The Commissioner of Police may, upon the receipt of such notification, cause such place to be examined in order to determine whether such place should be approved by him as a secure place for the keeping or storage of explosives.

5. No person shall carry, convey or use any explosive in any of the areas specified in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) of the first column of the First Schedule to this Order without the permission in writing of the prescribed authority.

6. (1) The prescribed authority may issue permits for the purchase or acquisition of explosives, and may in such permit specify the nature, the total of explosives which may be purchased or acquired under such permit, the purposes for which the same may be used, and the place where it may be used. Such permit shall be in the Form No. 1 in the Second Schedule to this Order.

(2) A permit issued by a prescribed authority shall be valid for the period therein named, which shall not exceed twelve months, commencing on the date on which it is issued.

7. Permits under section 6 of this Order shall be made in triplicate; one copy shall be retained by the officer who issues it, and two copies shall be delivered to the person to whom it is issued.

8. (1) No person shall sell, give, or otherwise deal in or permit any explosive to be taken from his possession unless he shall have previously obtained authority in writing from a prescribed authority to do so.

(2) Such authority may be issued for one or more such transaction and with respect to a particular kind of explosive, and a particular amount thereof, or may be general and for a period to be therein specified. Such authority shall be in the Form No. 2 in the Second Schedule to this Order.

9. No person shall sell, give, or otherwise permit another person to take from his possession any explosive unless such other person produces a permit in duplicate issued to him under section 6 of this Order, or otherwise than in accordance with the terms of such permit.

10. If the permit has been issued in the Form No. 1 in the Second Schedule to this Order, the person disposing of explosive shall endorse on the two copies the amount so disposed of and his name and address. If the permit is for a limited amount and the total amount of explosives so endorsed by him, or by him and other persons, equals the amount for the purchase and acquisition of which the permit has been issued, he shall retain one copy and forward the same to the prescribed authority who issued it.

11. No person shall purchase or acquire any explosive without having previously obtained a permit to do so under section 6 of this Order, or otherwise than in accordance with the terms of such permit.

12. No person shall use any explosive except for the purposes and at the places specified in the permit issued in respect thereof.

13. (1) A person who has obtained an authority under section 8 of this Order shall cause to be kept books showing the name, address, and description of the persons to whom he disposes of explosive, and the quantity and variety of explosive disposed of to such persons.

(2) Such books shall be open during reasonable hours to the inspection of the Commissioner of Police and other officers of Police not below the rank of Sub-Inspector.

(3) A copy of the entries made during the previous month in such book shall be sent at the commencement of each month to the Commissioner of Police.

14. (1) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to prevent a permit holder from issuing explosives to his workmen, for the use of blasting operations confined to the work controlled by such permit holder; but such permit holder shall enter each day in a book, which he shall keep for that purpose, the amounts and nature of explosives issued by him on such day to such workmen, and such book shall be open to such inspection as in section 13 of this Order mentioned.

(2) In this section —

“workman” shall include a person carrying on blasting by contract in a mine.

15. This Order shall, save as otherwise herein provided, apply to the areas of the Colony specified in the first column of the First Schedule to this Order.

### FIRST SCHEDULE

Sections 3 and 5.

Area	Prescribed Authority
(a) Georgetown County	The Police officer for the time being in command of the police in the County and any gazetted officer of police under his command.
(b) East Demerara County	The Police officer for the time being in command of the police in the County and any gazetted officer of police under his command

Area	Prescribed Authority
(c) West Demerara County	The Police officer for the time being in command of the police in the County and any gazetted officer of police under his command.
(d) Berbice County	The Police officer for the time being in command of the police in the County and any gazetted officer of police under his command.
(e) Essequibo County	The Police officer for the time being in command of the police in the County and any gazetted officer of police under his command.
(f) The North West District	The Officer for the time being in charge of the police in the District.
(g) The River District	The Police officer for the time being in command of the police in the District and any gazetted officer of police under his command.
(h) The Rupununi District	The Police officer for the time being in charge of the police in the District.
(i) Upper Mazaruni Reserve	The District officer for the time being in charge.

### SECOND SCHEDULE

Form No. 1

Sections 6, 8 and 10.

Permission is hereby granted to  
residing at

† to purchase and acquire explosives as hereunder set out, viz:—

- (1) Nature of explosives
- (2) Amount of explosives to be possessed at any one time not to exceed
- (3) † Total amount which may be purchased or acquired under this permit
- (4) The explosives herein mentioned may be used for the following purposes at (insert name of place).

This permit is valid for † †  
the date hereof, and is not transferable.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ from  
19 . day of

Prescribed Authority.

† Strike out words not needed.

† † Not to exceed one year.

Form No. 2

Section 8.

Authority is hereby granted to  
residing at

† to sell, give, and dispose of explosives as hereunder set out:—

- †(1) Kind of explosives to be sold, given or disposed of
- †(2) Amount of explosives to be sold, given or disposed of
- (3) Period for which this authority is available

This authority is not transferable.

dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
19 .

Prescribed Authority.

† Strike out words not needed.

Ordered this third day of June, 1954.

ALFRED SAVAGE,  
Governor.