

## REGULATION 3.—GENERAL POWERS OF CHIEF IMPRESSMENT OFFICER.

(1) The Chief Impressment Officer shall have absolute power to impress for the use of the Armed Services or for any national purpose any motor-vehicle or any equipment, and thereupon either—

- (a) To take over the ownership thereof; or
- (b) To take the same on hire on behalf of the Crown for any period or for an unnamed period, and subject to such terms and conditions as he thinks fit:

and also forthwith or at any time thereafter—

- (c) To reject the same after impressment, and shall have power to do all acts and things incidental to the exercise of the powers aforesaid.

(2) The Chief Impressment Officer may exercise any or all of his powers under these regulations with respect to any motor-vehicle or equipment, notwithstanding that the owner of such motor-vehicle or equipment is a manufacturer or importer of or dealer in motor-vehicles or equipment, or is the owner of a motor-vehicle-assembling plant in New Zealand, and holds such motor-vehicle or equipment in the course of his business.

(3) The Chief Impressment Officer may, in collaboration with the Armed Services, appoint vehicle-collecting centres at which impressed motor-vehicles or equipment may be directed to be delivered; but this provision shall not limit the power of an Impressment Officer to name in a warrant any other place for delivery.

## REGULATION 4.—REQUIREMENTS OF ARMED SERVICES AND NATIONAL EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS.

(1) Each Armed Service may from time to time inform the Chief Impressment Officer of the number, types, makes, and other particulars of motor-vehicles and of equipment required to be impressed for use in the operations of that Service, and of its requirements as to the time and place of delivery.

(2) The Under-Secretary of the Internal Affairs Department may from time to time inform the Chief Impressment Officer of the number, types, makes, and other particulars of motor-vehicles and of equipment required to be impressed for use for any national purpose connected with a state of emergency other than a purpose of the Armed Services, and of his requirements as to the time and place of delivery.

## REGULATION 5.—IMPRESSMENT.

(1) The Chief Impressment Officer may authorize and direct any Impressment Officer to issue a warrant of impressment in the form designated M.V.I.-1 in the First Schedule hereto in respect of any designated motor-vehicle or equipment, and may give any Impressment Officer general authority to issue warrants of impressment in respect of designated classes of motor-vehicles or equipment within designated areas.

(2) Every such warrant shall be sufficient if served upon the registered owner or holder of the motor-vehicle or equipment to which it relates either personally or by registered-post letter addressed to the registered owner or holder, as the case may be, at his usual