

Section 19: Offences of obstruction, etc.

19. A person who -

- (a) hinders or obstructs the Director of the Economics and Statistics Office or any person duly authorised in the execution of any power conferred under this Law or the Regulations;
- (b) after receiving from the Director, a direction by notice in writing under this Law, fails to comply with the direction;
 - (ba) being required to furnish information or to supply particulars under this Law, knowingly or recklessly makes any statement relating to the information or particulars which is false or misleading in any material particular or furnishes information or supplies particulars which are false or misleading in any material particular or who practices any other deception in furnishing the information or supplying the particulars;
- (c) without lawful authority, destroys, defaces or mutilates any schedule, form or other document containing particulars collected under this Law or the Regulations, or who writes or marks on any schedule, form or other document issued for the purpose of this Law or the Regulations any irrelevant matter; or
- (d) accepts the office or assignment as enumerator or agent or similar appointment or assignment under this Law or the Regulations and afterwards, without lawful excuse, refuses or neglects to perform any duty required by this Law or the Regulations to be done or performed by him or any duty assigned to him by the Director of the Economics and Statistics Office or other superior officer, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of five thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a term of one year, or to both, or on conviction on indictment to a fine of ten thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a term of three years, or to both.