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## GOVERNMENT NOTICE

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## Government Notice

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### PROMULGATION OF ACT OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The following Act which has been passed by the National Assembly and signed by the President in terms of the Namibian Constitution is hereby published in terms of Article 56 of that Constitution.

No. 1 of 1990: National Coat of Arms of the Republic of Namibia Act, 1990.

Act No. 1 1990

**NATIONAL COAT OF ARMS OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA ACT, 1990****ACT****To determine a National Coat of Arms for the Republic  
of Namibia; and to provide for incidental matters.***(Signed by the President on 27 March 1990)***BE IT ENACTED** by the National Assembly of the  
Republic of Namibia, as follows:-

Definition.

**1.** In this Act, unless the context indicates otherwise –“Coat of Arms” means the National Coat of Arms of  
the Republic of Namibia referred to in section 2.

Coat of Arms.

**2.** The National Coat of Arms of the Republic of  
Namibia shall be the heraldic device of which the blazon  
is set out in the Schedule.Use and display of Coat  
of Arms.**3. (1)** No person shall, without the prior written ap-  
proval of the President or any person designated by the  
President for such purpose, use or display the Coat of  
Arms or any depiction so closely resembling the Coat of  
Arms as to be likely to cause confusion, in connection  
with his trade, business, profession or occupation, or in  
connection with any mark or description applied by him  
to or in relation to goods made, produced or sold by him.**(2)** In granting permission under subsection (1), the  
President or person designated by him, may impose such  
conditions as he may deem fit.

Offences and penalties.

**4. (1)** Any person who contravenes the provisions of  
section 3, or who commits an act which displays con-  
tempt for the Coat of Arms or which is likely to hold it  
up to ridicule, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on  
conviction to a fine not exceeding R10 000 or in default  
of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding  
5 years or to both such fine and such imprisonment.

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(2) A court which convicts a person under subsection (1) may, in addition to the imposition of any penalty under that subsection, order the confiscation to the State of all or any part of the goods in respect of which the offence was committed.

Short title.

5. This Act shall be called the National Coat of Arms of the Republic of Namibia Act, 1990.

**SCHEDULE****BLAZON OF THE COAT OF ARMS OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**

- Arms:** Tierced per bend sinister, Azure, Argent and Vert, a bend sinister Gules, and in dexter chief a sun with twelve straight rays Or, charged with an annulet Azure.
- Crest:** Upon a traditional head-ring Vert charged with six lozenges conjoined Or, a Fish Eagle rising, wings elevated and displayed, proper.
- Supporters:** Two Oryx proper.
- Compartment:** A Namib sand-dune with a *Welwitschia mirabilis* in the foreground, proper.
- Motto:** UNITY LIBERTY JUSTICE