

*Inspection and Sanitary Regulation of Premises.*

7. If it shall appear, to the Commissioner that any tiles, stones, rafters, building materials, or debris of building materials are stored or collected in or upon any premises without the written permission of the Commissioner in such quantity or bulk or in such a way as to constitute a harbourage or breeding place for rats or other vermin or otherwise a source of danger or nuisance to the occupiers of the said premises or to persons residing in the neighbourhood thereof, the Commissioner may, by written notice, require the owner of such premises, or the owner of the materials or debris so stored or collected therein, to remove or dispose of the same or to take such order with the same, as shall in the opinion of the Commissioner be necessary or expedient to abate the nuisance or prevent a recurrence thereof.

Removal of building materials from any premises may be required.

8. Where it appears to the Commissioner that any building or part thereof, used for the storage of goods is used in such manner as to afford harbourage to rats, mice, or other animals susceptible to plague or other vermin, he may require the owner or occupier by written notice to take such steps for the destruction of the rats, mice or other animals or other vermin as are specified in the notice or to carry out such works as will render the walls and floors of such building or part of a building proof against such infestation.

Measures against rats etc. may be required in respect of premises used for storage of goods.

9. If any premises, by reason of abandonment or disputed ownership or any other reason, remain untenanted or unoccupied and thereby become a resort of disorderly persons or, in the opinion of the Commissioner, a nuisance, the Commissioner, after such inquiry as he deems necessary, may give written notice to the owner of such premises, if he be known and resident within the City, or to any person who is known or believed to claim to be the owner, if such person is resident within the City, and shall also affix a copy of the said notice on some conspicuous part of the said premises, requiring all persons having any right of property or interest therein to take such order with the said premises as shall in the opinion of the Commissioner be necessary to prevent the same from being resorted to as aforesaid or from continuing to be a nuisance.

Abandoned or unoccupied premises.

10. (1) If it shall appear to the Commissioner that any premises are overgrown with rank and noisome vegetation or trees or undergrowth injurious to health or offensive to neighbouring inhabitants or are otherwise in an unwholesome or filthy condition or, by reason of their not being properly enclosed, are resorted to by the public for purpose of nature, or are otherwise a nuisance to the neighbouring inhabitants, the Commissioner may by written notice, require the owner or occupier of such premises to cleanse, clear or enclose the same or, with the approval of the Standing Committee, may require him to take such other order with the same as the Commissioner thinks necessary.

Neglected premises or private streets.

(2) If it shall appear to the Commissioner that any private street is overgrown with rank and noisome vegetation or is otherwise in an unwholesome or filthy condition the Commissioner may by written notice require the owners of the several premises fronting or adjoining the said street or abutting thereon to cleanse or clear the same, or with the approval of the Standing Committee require them to take such other order with the same as the Commissioner may think necessary:

Provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the provisions of section 290.

(3) In so far as the unwholesome or filthy condition of such premises or such street or such nuisance as above mentioned is caused by the discharge from or by any defect in the municipal drains or appliances connected therewith, it shall be incumbent on the Commissioner to cleanse such premises or such street.

11. (1) If it shall appear to the Commissioner that any building or any part of a building is in such a state as to constitute a nuisance or to be likely to give rise to one by reason of rain water leaking from its roof or any part of its roof, or by reason of dampness rising through its ground floor surface or through its walls, the Commissioner may, by notice in writing, require the owner of such buildings to abate the nuisance or to prevent its recurrence within the time and by taking the measures and doing the acts to be specified in the notice.

Nuisance arising from defective roof or from dampness rising through ground floor surface or through walls.