

## EMERGENCY RULES 2003

- 1 The Ulu o Tokelau shall advise the outside world if Tokelau is affected by an emergency.
  - 2 Where there is a serious threat to the environment of Tokelau, or where an emergency or sudden disaster endangers life or property on an island of Tokelau, the Faipule in consultation with the Taupulega, as is appropriate in the circumstances, may notwithstanding any other rule give such orders and take such actions affecting persons and property as are reasonably necessary to deal with the situation.
  - 3 Where a Faipule has acted under rule 2 the Faipule shall —
    - (i) immediately report the circumstances and what has been done to the Taupulega;
    - (ii) give public notification of the circumstances and the measures taken or to be taken.
  - 4 Any person who fails to comply with an order of the Faipule given under rule 2 commits an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding 1 penalty unit.
  - 5 No civil or criminal liability shall attach to the Faipule, or any person who acts under the orders of the Faipule, for anything done in good faith under these Rules.
  - 6 Where the property of an individual or of a family is damaged or destroyed for the purposes of these Rules, the General Fono shall, after consulting the village concerned decide —
    - (i) whether compensation should be paid; and
    - (ii) the amount of any compensation.
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