



The Hon Warren Snowdon MP

Minister for Veterans' Affairs

Minister Assisting the Prime Minister on the Centenary of Anzac

Mr Neil Smithson
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Dear Mr Smithson

Thank you for your e-mail of 11 May 2011 concerning the use of the word 'Anzac' in connection with Smithson Planning's website.

The *Protection of Word 'Anzac' Regulations* (Regulations) prevent the use of the word 'Anzac' in connection with any trade, business, calling or profession without my authority. The objective of the Regulations is to preserve the significance of the word 'Anzac' as it relates to the bravery and self sacrifice of the first Anzacs and to the special place Anzac has in Australia's heritage. My primary concern when assessing applications to use the word is to ensure that the significance of the word is maintained.

I have decided to approve all instances of the use of the word 'Anzac' on your website, with the exception of the proposed event, 'Albany Anzac 2014-18© - A Major Event'. I have enclosed a revocable permit for your use.

Over the next few years I expect to receive a significant number of applications to use the word 'Anzac' in relation to Anzac Centenary planning organisations and events from all over Australia. In order to ensure that organisations have consulted widely within their community and to avoid, where possible, the formation of multiple planning groups and conflicting/duplicate events, I have decided to ask applicants to provide letters of support with their application. These letters should be from the local Federal member, a local ex-service organisation and a member of local government.

Should you decide to continue to use the word 'Anzac' in connection with 'Albany Anzac 2014-18© - A Major Event' your application will need to be accompanied by the aforementioned letters of support. In the meantime, I would ask that you remove mention of it from your website.

I must also advise that it is not my practice to allow the use of the word 'Anzac' in any context to be copyrighted. Your event will be one of many such events planned to commemorate this significant anniversary and I consider that they belong to all Australians, consequently no one group may claim exclusive use of the word 'Anzac'.

Thank you for writing to me on this matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Warren Snowden', with a large, sweeping initial 'W'.

WARREN SNOWDON

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PERMIT No. 133

Protection of Word 'Anzac' Regulations

PERMIT TO USE WORD 'ANZAC'

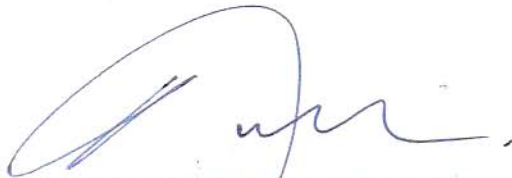
I, Warren Snowdon, Minister for the time being administering the *War Precautions Act Repeal Act 1920*, under which is made the *Protection of Word 'Anzac' Regulations*, hereby grant to:

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permission to use the word 'Anzac' in connection with historical information.

This permit can be revoked in writing by the Minister for the time being administering the *War Precautions Act Repeal Act 1920*, under which is made the *Protection of Word 'Anzac' Regulations*, for breach of a condition or requirement.

Dated: *foorn* November 2011



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