

C.A. 11
REGIONS OF GHANA ACT, 1960

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REGIONS OF GHANA ACT, 1960(1)

AN ACT to make changes in the Regions into which Ghana is divided and to specify the territories comprised in each Region.

1. Division of the Northern Region

(1) The Northern Region as defined by subsection (2) of section 2 of the Brong-Ahafo Region Act, 1959 (No. 18), is hereby divided into two new Regions to be known as the Upper Region and the Northern Region.

(2) The Upper Region as defined in subsection (1) of this section and in section 3 is hereby divided into two new Regions to be known as the Upper West Region and the Upper East Region.²⁽²⁾

(3) A reference in an enactment in force

- (a) before the commencement of this Act to the Northern Region shall include a reference to the Upper Region;
- (b) before the commencement of the Regions of Ghana (Amendment) Law, 1983 (P.N.D.C.L. 4) shall include a reference to the Upper East Region and the Upper West Region.³⁽³⁾

2. Division of the Western Region

(1) The Western Region as defined by subsection (1) of section 63 of the Ghana (Constitution) Order in Council, 1957 (L.N. 47) is hereby divided into two new Regions to be known as the Central Region and the Western Region.

(2) A reference in an enactment in force before the commencement of this Act to the Western Region shall include a reference to the Central Region.

3. Greater Accra Region

The administrative area known immediately before the coming into force of the Greater Accra Region Law, 1982 (P.N.D.C.L. 26) shall on be known as the Greater Accra Region.4(4)

4. Territories of a Region

The territories of a Region shall consist of the areas of authority of the District Assemblies specified in relation to that Region in the first column of the First Schedule as established by the instruments specified in relation to each council in the second column of the Schedule and in respect to the Greater Accra Region, the Third Schedule and the Fourth Schedule more particularly delineated the territory of that Region.

5. Variation of First Schedule

Where a District Assembly mentioned in the First Schedule ceases to exist or the name of that District Assembly is changed the Minister responsible for Local Government shall by legislative instrument amend the Schedule.

6. Repeals

The enactments set out in the Second Schedule are hereby repealed to the extent specified in the last column of that Schedule.

7. Commencement

This Act shall come into operation immediately before the coming into operation of the Constitution.5(5)

SCHEDULES

First Schedule TERRITORIES OF REGIONS

[Section 3]

ASHANTI REGION

Metropolitan Assembly

Kumasi	L.N. 346/53
<i>District Assembly</i>	
Obuasi	G.N. 224/52
<i>District Assemblies</i>	
Adansi-Banka	L.G. 420/59
Amansie	L.G. 421/59
Kumasi East	L.G. 254/59
Kumasi North	L.G. 253/59
Kumasi South	L.G. 256/59
Kumasi West	L.G. 257/59
Sekyere	L.G. 255/59
<i>District Assembly</i>	
Sunyani	L.G. 324/59
<i>District Assemblies</i>	
Brong-Ahafo Central	L.G. 323/59
Brong-Ahafo East	L.G. 322/59
Brong-Ahafo North	L.G. 320/59
Brong-Ahafo South	L.G. 321/59

CENTRAL REGION

Municipal Assembly

Cape Coast	L.N. 394/53
<i>District Assembly</i>	
Nyakrom-Nkum	L.G. 547/56
Swedru	G.N. 859/52

District Assemblies

Agona-Nsaba	L.G. 546/56
Asin	L.G. 187/59
Breman-Ejumako-Enyan	L.G. 188/59
Denkyira-Twifu-Hemang	L.G. 189/59
Gomua-Awutu-Effutu	L.G. 190/59
Komenda-Edina-Eguafo-Abrem-Asebu	L.G. 191/59
Mfantseman	L.G. 192/59

EASTERN REGION

Metropolitan Assembly

Accra	L.N. 201/53
<i>District Assembly</i>	

New Juaben	G.N. 182/52
Nsawam	G.N. 209/53
Oda-Swedru	L.G. 264/59

District Assembly

Ada	G.N. 194/52
Akwapim	G.N. 183/52
Akwamu-Anum-Boso	E.I. 131/60

GREATER ACCRA REGION6(6)

Metropolitan Assembly

The Erstwhile Accra Municipal Council	L.N. 201/53
The Tema District Council	L.I. 886/1974
The Erstwhile Ada Local	G.N. 194/52
The Erstwhile Ga-Adangbe-Shai Local Council	L.G. 379/59
East Akim Abuakwa	L.G. 148/58
Ga-Dangbe-Shai	L.G. 379/59
Manya-Yilo-Osudoku	L.G. 265/59
North Kwahu	L.G. 13/60
South Akim Abuakwa	L.G. 146/58
South Kwahu	L.G. 14/60
West Akim Abuakwa	L.G. 15/60
Western Akim	L.G. 266/59

NORTHERN REGION

Municipal Assembly

Tamale	G.N. 650/52
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District Assembly

Eastern Dagomba	L.G. 211/58
Eastern Gonja	L.G. 425/59
Nanumba	L.G. 183/58
South Mamprusi	L.G. 209/58
Western Dagomba	L.G. 212/58
Western Gonja	L.G. 426/56

UPPER WEST REGION7(7)

District Assembly

Lawra	L.I. 942/1974
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Sissala	L.I. 917/1974
Wa	L.I. 893/1974

UPPER EAST REGION8(8)

District Assembly

Bawku	L.I. 889/1974
Builsa	L.I. 908/1974
Frafra	L.I. 888/1974
Kassena/Nankani	L.I. 903/1974
Ho	L.G. 260/59
Volta-Dayi	L.G. 409/59
Tongu	L.G. 262/59

WESTERN REGION

Municipal Council

Sekondi/Takoradi	L.N. 398/53
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Urban Council

Tarkwa/Abosso	G.N. 178/52
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Local Councils

Ahanta-Shama	L.G. 185/59
Amenfi-Aowin	L.G. 186/59
Nzima-Evalue-Ajomoro-Gwira	L.G. 193/59
Sefwi-Anhwiaso-Bekwai Bibiani	L.G. 252/59
Sefwi-Wiawso	G.N. 177/52
Wassaw-Fiase-Mpohaw	G.N. 179/52

Second Schedule

REPEALS

[Section 4]

<i>Enactment</i>	<i>Extent of Repeal</i>
The Ghana (Constitution) Order in Council, 1957(L.N. 47/57).	Section 63.
The Brong-Ahafo Region Act, 1959 (No. 18 of 1959).	Section 2 and the First Schedule.
The Ashanti (Boundaries) Order in Council, 1950.	The whole Order.
The Gold Coast Boundaries Order in Council, 1906.	The whole Order.

Third Schedule

STATUTORY DESCRIPTION OF THE GREATER ACCRA REGION

Commencing at a point marked G.A.R./1 situate partly on the north-western side of the Gulf of Guinea approximately 10,500 feet south-west of Kokrobite in the Accra-Tema District and part of the former Eastern Region of the Republic of Ghana the boundary thence runs in a north-westerly direction for approximately 30,750 feet crossing the Winneba Road at approximately 2,500 feet north-west of Oduponkpehe village to a point marked G.A.R./2 on a footpath leading to Pantanpa village which point is approximately 8,500 feet north-east of the said Oduponkpehe village and thence in a north-easterly direction for approximately 28,500 feet crossing River Amimia and a track approximately 3,500 feet north-west of Asabaham to a point marked G.A.R./3 which point is approximately north-west of Danchira and thence in a north-westerly direction for approximately 36,750 feet to a point marked G.A.R./4 which point is approximately 3,500 feet south-west of Obiliakua village and thence in a general northerly direction crossing the Achiase-Kotoku railway line at approximately 8,250 feet south-east of Danso for approximately 50,000 feet to a point marked G.A.R./5 which point is approximately 5,500 feet south-west of Adeiso and thence in a north-easterly direction approximately 8,500 feet crossing the motor road from Asamankese to Nsawam to a point marked G.A.R./6 which point is on the northern edge of the said motor road from Asamankese to Nsawam and also approximately 2,500 feet north-west of the junction of the aforesaid Asamankese-Nsawam motor road and the road leading to Swedru and thence follows the north-western edge of the aforementioned Asamankese-Nsawam motor road and the road leading to Swedru and thence follows the north-western edge of the aforementioned Asamankese-Nsawam motor road approximately 28,500 feet to a point marked G.A.R./7 and thence in a south-easterly direction crossing the Asamankese-Nsawam motor road and also Accra-Kumasi railway line at a point approximately 3,000 feet north-west of Ajenkotoku for 50,000 feet more or less to a point marked G.A.R./8 which point is on the south-western edge of the Nsawam-Accra motor road and approximately 7,500 feet from the junction of the said Nsawam-Accra motor road and the road leading to Ajenkotoku and thence in a north-easterly direction for approximately 22,000 feet crossing the said motor road to a point marked G.A.R./9 and thence in a south-easterly direction for approximately 34,000 feet crossing River Nsakyi and the motor road from Achimota-Kitasi to a point marked G.A.R./10 which point is on the south-eastern side of the said motor road from Achimota-Kitase and also approximately 4,000 feet south-west of Berekusu and thence in a general north-easterly direction for 130,000 feet crossing Accra-Aburi motor road at approximately 17,000 feet south-east of Kitase and also crossing Larteh-Ayikuma motor road at approximately 2,000 feet north-west of Ayikuma to a point marked G.A.R./11 which point is on a path leading to Asesieso Town and thence in a general north-westerly direction for approximately 18,500 feet to a point marked G.A.R./12 and thence in a south-easterly direction for approximately 12,000 feet to a point marked G.A.R./13 which point is on the north-western side of the Accra-Ho motor road and approximately 11,000 feet north-west of Zanidaw and thence in a north-easterly direction for approximately 35,800 feet crossing the said Accra-Ho motor road and Akuse-Osudoku motor road at approximately 7,000 feet south-east of Akuse to a point marked G.A.R./14 which point is on the south-western bank of the River Volta and is approximately 8,500 feet south-east of Akuse and thence follows the western bank of the said River Volta downstream for approximately 79,000 feet to a point marked G.A.R./15 which point is approximately 6,500 feet south-east of Volo, a village west of Bator and thence in a general south-easterly direction crossing the aforesaid River Volta to a point marked G.A.R./16 which point is approximately 9,000 feet south-west of Lota, a village south of

Aveyime for approximately 45,000 feet and thence in a north-easterly direction crossing the Accra-Sogakofe motor road for approximately 77,000 feet to a point marked G.A.R./17 which point is approximately 8,000 feet south-west of Veme and thence in a south-easterly direction for approximately 32,000 feet to a point marked G.A.R./18 which point is approximately 10,000 feet south-east of Kaja a village south of Tefle and thence follows the western bank of the River Volta in a south-easterly direction downstream for approximately 83,000 feet to a point marked G.A.R./19 which point is where the said river Volta enters the sea and also approximately 20,500 feet south-east of Ada and thence follows the Low Water mark of the said Gulf of Guinea crossing the aforesaid River Volta at south-east of Ada in a north-westerly direction for approximately 420,000 feet to the point of commencement thus enclosing an approximate Area of 1,450,332 square miles or 4,738,099 square kilometres be the same several dimensions little more or less as the boundary is more particularly delineated and shown edged pink on the plan or map attached.

Fourth Schedule
MAP OF GREATER ACCRA REGION

This map is included to assist in following the description of the Greater Accra Region specified in the Second Schedule and is to be read subject to that description.

Fifth Schedule
BIBLIOGRAPHY OF GREATER ACCRA REGION

- (1) The description of the boundary of the proposed Greater Accra Region was based on the Supplementary Report of the Local Government Boundary Commission, 1972.
 - (2) The Northern Boundary at Osudoku was based on the Stool Lands Boundary between Osudoku and Yilo Krobo as settled by Jackson J. in vide
 - (i) Osudoku/Yilo Krobo Order, 1954, Gazette No. 95, Notice No. 3324 (L.N. 83); and
 - (ii) Ningo Order, 1955 (L.N. 159) dated 1st December, 1955.
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Endnotes

1 (Popup - Footnote)

1. Passed on 29th June, 1960 by the Constituent Assembly. The preamble has been omitted. It reads,
“WHEREAS by section 2 of the Constituent Assembly and the Plebiscite Act, 1960 (No. 1), this Constituent Assembly is authorised to enact such provisions for or in connection with the establishment of a new Constitution as it thinks fit:
AND WHEREAS it is expedient to enact the provisions hereinafter appearing in consequence of the enactment of [the Constitution](#):
NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Constituent Assembly as follows:”

2 (Popup - Footnote)

2. *See* the Regions of Ghana (Amendment) Law, 1983 (P.N.D.C.L. 41).

3 (Popup - Footnote)

3. Consequential on [subsection \(2\)](#).

4 (Popup - Footnote)

4. The Greater Accra Region was created by [section 1](#) of the Greater Accra Region Law, 1982 ([P.N.D.C.L. 26](#)). The Second and Third Schedules to the Law and more particularly [section 2](#), described the area of authority of the Greater Accra Region. The two Schedules are reproduced by this Act as the Third and Fourth Schedules. The [First Schedule](#) to the Act has been amended accordingly. The [Fifth Schedule](#) to the Act gives the bibliography on the area of the Greater Accra Region as passed.

5 (Popup - Footnote)

5. This reference is to the 1960 Constitution.

6 (Popup - Footnote)

6. By virtue of [section 2](#) of the Greater Accra Region Decree, 1982 ([P.N.D.C.L. 26](#)).

7 (Popup - Footnote)

7. Effected by virtue of sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Regions of Ghana (Amendment) Law, 1983 (P.N.D.C.L. 41).

8 (Popup - Footnote)

8. Effected by virtue of sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Regions of Ghana (Amendment) Law, 1983 (P.N.D.C.L. 41).