

REPUBLIC OF NAURU

TOBACCO CONTROL (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2023

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The Cabinet makes the following Regulations under Section 30 of the *Tobacco Control Act* 2009:

1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Tobacco Control (Amendment)* Regulations 2023.

2 Commencement

These Regulations commence on the date they are notified in the Gazette.

3 Amendment of the *Tobacco Control Regulations 2009*

These Regulations amend the Tobacco Control Regulations 2009.

4 Regulation 6 amended

Regulation 6(1) is amended by deleting 'For the purposes of Section 13 of the Act, the prescribed requirements for the no smoking signs to be displayed within a school, a hospital, an enclosed public place or an enclosed workplace are:' and substituting 'For the purposes of Section 14(2) of the Act, the prescribed requirements for a 'no smoking' sign are as follows:'.

5 Part 6 inserted

Part 6 is inserted after Regulation 25 as follows:

'PART 6 - LICENCES

26 Licence to import tobacco products

- (1) For the purposes of Section 17A of the Act, a person shall not import tobacco products for a commercial purpose unless the person has obtained an importer licence in accordance with the Act and these Regulations.
- (2) For the purposes of Section 17F of the Act, an application for an importer licence shall be made in the form as set out in Form 1 of Schedule 6.
- (3) The fee for an application for an importer licence shall be as set out in Schedule 7.

27 Licence to sell or distribute tobacco products to retailers

- (1) For the purposes of Section 17A of the Act, a person shall not sell or distribute tobacco products to retailers unless the person has obtained a distributor licence in accordance with the Act and these Regulations.
- (2) For the purposes of Section 17F of the Act, an application for a distributor licence shall be made in the form as set out in Form 2 of Schedule 6.

(3) The fee for an application for a distributor licence shall be as set out in Schedule 7.

28 Licence to sell tobacco products to consumers

- (1) For the purposes of Section 17A of the Act, a person shall not sell tobacco products to consumers unless the person has obtained a retail licence in accordance with the Act and these Regulations.
- (2) For the purposes of Section 17F of the Act, an application for a retail licence shall be made in the form as set out in Form 3 of Schedule 6.
- (3) The fee for an application for a distributor licence shall be as set out in Schedule 7.

29 Renewal of licence

- (1) An application for the renewal of an importer licence, a distributor licence or a retail licence shall be made in the application form for an importer, distributor or retail licence, as the case may be, as set out in Schedule 6.
- (2) The fee for an application for the renewal of an importer licence, a distributor licence or a retail licence shall be the same as the fee for the application for an importer, distributor or retail licence, as the case may be, as set out in Schedule 7.

30 Transfer or assignment of licence

- (1) For the purposes of Section 17K of the Act, an application for the transfer or assignment of a licence shall be in the form as set out in Form 4 of Schedule 6.
- (2) The fee for an application for the transfer or assignment of a licence shall be as set out in Schedule 7.

31 Decision of the Secretary

- (1) Where the Secretary grants an importer licence, distributor licence or retail licence to an applicant, the licence shall be issued in the form as set out in Form 5 of Schedule 6.
- (2) Where the Secretary refuses to grant an importer licence, distributor licence or retail licence to an applicant, he or she shall:
 - (a) inform the applicant of the refusal in writing in the form as set out in Form 6 of Schedule 6: and
 - (b) provide the reason for the refusal.'

6 Schedule 6 inserted

Schedule 6 is inserted after Schedule 5 as follows:

SCHEDULE 6

FORM 1 – APPLICATION FORM FOR IMPORTER LICENCE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS

(Regulation 26(2))



| TOBACCO CONTROL REGULATIONS 2009 |
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| APPLICATION FORM FOR IMPORTER LICENCE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS |
| 1. DETAILS OF IMPORTER |
| Importer: |
| Address: |
| E-mail: |
| Phone number: |
| 2. DETAILS OF CONSIGNMENT |
| Consignor: |
| Consignee: |
| Transported by: ☐ Sea ☐ Air |
| Date of Arrival in the Republic of Nauru: / /20 |
| Vessel Registration/Flight Number: |
| 3. DESCRIPTION OF TOBACCO PRODUCT |
| Type of tobacco product: |
| Brand of tobacco product: |
| Quantity: |
| 4. PURPOSE OF IMPORTATION |
| Personal / Commercial Use: |
| 5. DECLARATION |
| I declare that the information I have provided in this application is complete, correct and up to date in every detail. |
| Signature of importer: |
| Date: |
| 6. CHECKLIST |
| ☐ Evidence of payment of the application fee |
| ☐ In the case of a partnership, a certificate of registration of partnership issued under the Partnership Act 2018 |
| ☐ In the case of an individual, partnership or corporation, a current business licence issued under the Business Licences Act 2017 |
| ☐ In the case of a corporation, an incorporation certificate issued under the Corporations Act 1972; and |
| ☐ Import licence |

| 7. OFFICIAL USE | | |
|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Additional information required: | | |
| To be referred to the authorised officer: ☐ Yes ☐ No | | |
| Recommendation by authorised officer: Approve Application Reject Application | | |
| Reason(s) for recommendation: | | |
| Name of authorised officer: | Signature of authorised officer: | |
| Date: / /20 | Time: | |
| Decision of Secretary: Application Approved | ☐ Application Rejected | |
| Name of Secretary: | Signature of Secretary: | |
| Date: / /20 | Time: | |

FORM 2 – APPLICATION FORM FOR DISTRIBUTOR LICENCE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS

(Regulation 27(2))



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APPLICATION FORM FOR DISTRIBUTOR LICENCE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS

| 1. DETAILS OF DISTRIBUTOR |
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| Distributor: |
| Address: |
| E-mail: |
| Phone number: |
| 2. DETAILS OF IMPORTER |
| Importer: |
| Address: |
| E-mail: |
| Phone number: |
| 3. DESCRIPTION OF TOBACCO PRODUCT |
| Type of tobacco product: |
| Brand of tobacco product: |
| Quantity: |
| 4. DETAILS OF RETAILER |
| Retailer: |
| Address: |
| E-mail: |
| Phone number: |
| 5. DECLARATION |
| I declare that the information I have provided in this application is complete, correct and up to date in every detail. |
| Signature of distributor: |
| Date: |
| 6. CHECKLIST |
| |
| Evidence of payment of the application fee |
| ☐ In the case of a partnership, a certificate of registration of partnership issued under the Partnership Act 2018 |
| ☐ In the case of an individual, partnership or corporation, a current business licence issued under the Business Licences Act 2017 |
| ☐ In the case of a corporation, an incorporation certificate issued under the Corporations Act 1972; and |
| ☐ Import licence |
| 7. OFFICIAL USE |
| Additional information required: ☐ Yes ☐ No |
| To be referred to the authorised officer: Yes No |

| Recommendation by authorised officer: Approve Appl | ication Reject Application | |
|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Reason(s) for recommendation: | | |
| Name of authorised officer: | Signature of authorised officer: | |
| Date: / /20 | Time: | |
| Decision of Secretary: Application Approved | ☐ Application Rejected | |
| Name of Secretary: | Signature of Secretary: | |
| Date: / /20 | Time: | |

FORM 3 – APPLICATION FORM FOR RETAIL LICENCE FOR TOBACCO **PRODUCTS**

(Regulation 28(2))



TOBACCO CONTROL REGULATIONS 2009

| APPLICATION FORM FOR RETAIL LICENCE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS | | |
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| 1. DETAILS OF RETAILER | | |
| Retailer: | | |
| Address: | | |
| E-mail: | | |
| Phone number: | | |
| 2. DETAILS OF DISTRIBUTOR | | |
| Distributor: | | |
| Address: | | |
| E-mail: | | |
| Phone number: | | |
| 3. DESCRIPTION OF TOBACCO PRODUCT | | |
| Type of tobacco product: | | |
| Brand of tobacco product: | | |
| Quantity: | | |
| Personal / Commercial Use: | | |
| 4. DECLARATION | | |
| I declare that the information I have provided in this application is complete, correct and up to date in every detail. | | |
| Signature of retailer: | | |
| Date: | | |
| 5. CHECKLIST | | |
| | | |
| ☐ Evidence of payment of the application fee | | |
| ☐ In the case of a partnership, a certificate of registration of partnership issued under the Partnership Act 2018 | | |
| ☐ In the case of an individual, partnership or corporation, a current business licence issued under the Business Licences Act 2017 | | |
| ☐ In the case of a corporation, an incorporation certificate issued under the Corporations Act 1972; and | | |
| ☐ Import licence | | |
| 6. OFFICIAL USE | | |
| Additional information required: | | |
| To be referred to the authorised officer: \square Yes \square No | | |
| Recommendation by authorised officer: Approve Application Reject Application | | |
| Reason(s) for recommendation: | | |
| Name of authorised officer: Signature of authorised officer: | | |
| Date: / /20 Time: | | |

| Decision of Secretary: Application Approved | | ☐ Application Rejected |
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| Name of Secretary: | | Signature of Secretary: |
| Date: / /20 | | Time: |

FORM 4 – APPLICATION FORM FOR TRANSFER OR ASSIGNMENT OF LICENCE

(Regulation 30(2))



| TOBACCO CONTROL REGULATIONS 2009 | | |
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| APPLICATION FORM FOR TRANSFER OR ASSIGNMENT OF LICENCE | | |
| 1. DETAILS OF TRANSFEROR | | |
| Transferor: | | |
| Address: | | |
| E-mail: | | |
| Phone number: | | |
| 2. TYPE OF LICENCE TO BE TRANSFERRED OR ASS | GIGNED | |
| Importer / Distributor / Retail: | | |
| 3. DETAILS OF TRASNFEREE OR ASSIGNEE | | |
| Transferee or assignee: Address: | | |
| E-mail: | | |
| Phone number: | | |
| 4. REASON FOR TRANSFER OR ASSIGNMENT | | |
| Reason: | | |
| 5. DECLARATION | | |
| I declare that the information I have provided in this application is complete, correct and up to date in every detail. | | |
| Signature of transferor: | | |
| Date: | | |
| 6. CHECKLIST | | |
| ☐ Evidence of payment of the application fee | | |
| ☐ Importer / Distributor / Retail licence | | |
| 7. OFFICIAL USE | | |
| Additional information required: ☐ Yes ☐ No | | |
| To be referred to the authorised officer: ☐ Yes ☐ N | 0 | |
| Recommendation by authorised officer: Approve App | lication Reject Application | |
| Reason(s) for recommendation: | | |
| Name of authorised officer: | Signature of authorised officer: | |
| Date: / /20 | Time: | |
| Decision of Secretary: Application Approved | ☐ Application Rejected | |
| Name of Secretary: | Signature of Secretary: | |
| Date: / /20 | Time: | |

FORM 5



TOBACCO CONTROL REGULATIONS 2009

(Regulation 31(1))

[IMPORTER / DISTRIBUTOR / RETAIL] LICENCE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS

[insert name of applicant] of [insert district], proprietor of [insert business name] is hereby licensed to [import tobacco products / sell or distribute tobacco products to retailers / sell tobacco products to consumers].

This licence is valid for 12 months from the date of issue of this licence [and is subject to the following conditions]:

[insert conditions, if any]

Secretary for Health and Medical Services

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Licence no. :

Licence fee paid :

Date licence fee paid :

TIN Number :

FORM 6



TOBACCO CONTROL REGULATIONS 2009

(Regulation 31(2)(a))

REFUSAL TO GRANT [IMPORTER / DISTRIBUTOR / RETAIL] LICENCE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS

To: [insert name of applicant] of [insert district], proprietor of [insert business name]

Your application for [an importer licence / a distributor licence / retail licence for tobacco products] on [insert date of application] is hereby refused for the following reason(s):

[insert reason(s) for refusal]

You are not authorised to [import tobacco products / sell or distribute tobacco products to retailers / sell tobacco products to consumers].

Secretary for Health and Medical Services

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7 Schedule 7 inserted

Schedule 7 is inserted after Schedule 6 as follows:

SCHEDULE 7

FEES

(Regulations 26(3), 27(3), 28(3), 29(2) and 30(2))

| APPLICATION | FEE |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Importer Licence | \$5,000 |
| Distributor Licence | \$4,500 |
| Retail Licence | \$4,500 |
| Transfer or Assignment of Licence | \$4,500' |