THE CONSUMER PROTECTION (PRICE AND SUPPLIES CONTROL) ACT

Regulations made by the Minister under section 35 of the Consumer Protection (Price and Supplies Control) Act

1. These regulations may be cited as the Consumer Protection (Control of Imports) Regulations 1999.

2. In these regulations –

"bonded warehouse" has the same meaning as in the Customs Act 1988;

"bull bar" means any structure, made of steel, stainless steel, aluminium, or any other alloy, metal or other hard material, in the nature of a crash bar fitted to the front or the rear of a vehicle, whether it is an integral part of the original design of the vehicle or not;

"controlled goods" means the goods specified in the First Schedule;

"customs territory"

(a) means that part of Mauritius over which customs authority is exercisable excluding a Freeport zone; and

(b) with respect to fit import of rough diamonds, includes a freeport zone;

"date of shipment" means the date of -

(a) a Bill of Lading;

(b) an Airway Bill or the flight appearing thereon whichever is the later;

(c) a Postal Receipt;

(d) a Notice of Arrival of goods issued by an organisation providing a courier service;

"effective date" means the date on which –

(a) all information, particulars and documents required in respect of an application for an import permit under regulation 5 or an approval to remove any controlled goods from the Customs under regulation 10 are submitted by the applicant; and

(b) the Permanent Secretary obtains from any person consulted under regulation 5(4) such information or clearance as he may require;

"freeport zone" has the same meaning as in the Freeport Act 1992;

"H.S. Code" means the H.S. Code referred to in the Customs Tariff Act;

"import" –

(a) means bring into the customs territory or cause to be brought into the customs territory; and

(b) includes the removal of goods from the Freeport zone for the local market;

"import permit" means the import permit specified in regulation 4;

"motor-car" has the same meaning as in the Road Traffic Act;

"motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in the Road Traffic Act;

"Permanent Secretary" means the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry responsible for the subject of commerce;

"prohibited goods" means the goods specified in the Second Schedule;

"remove" means remove –

(a) from the customs territory; or

(b) from a Freeport zone through the customs territory;

(c) from a bonded warehouse;

on payment of all duty and taxes;

"Value" has the same meaning as in the Customs Act 1988.

3. No person shall import any prohibited goods.

4. Subject to regulation 7, no person shall import any controlled goods unless he holds an import permit.

5. (1) Any person who imports any controlled goods shall apply for an import permit from the Permanent Secretary.

(2) The application shall –

(a) be made in triplicate;

(b) be made in the form set out in the Third Schedule.

(3) Subject to regulation 9, an application shall be submitted to the Permanent Secretary –

(a) prior to the shipment of the controlled goods; or

(b) in relation to goods in the Freeport zone, prior to the removal of any controlled goods from the Freeport zone.

(4) The Permanent Secretary may, before issuing a permit -

(a) consult such person he considers necessary;

(b) request the applicant to furnish such additional information or document as he may reasonably require.

(5) The Permanent Secretary shall, in relation to the goods set out in the second column of the Fourth Schedule, grant an import permit, subject to the restrictions set out in the third column of the Fourth Schedule.

(6) The Permanent Secretary shall, in relation to the goods set out in the second column of the Fifth Schedule, grant an import permit subject to the conditions set out in the third column of the Fifth Schedule.

(7) The Permanent Secretary may refuse to issue an import permit where the importer fails to comply with any provision of these regulations.

6. (1) An import permit shall –

(a) be issued within 3 working days after the effective date and be valid for a maximum period of 12 months;

(b) not be transferable;

(c) relate to the goods specified in the permit; and

(d) be subject to any conditions that the Permanent Secretary may impose.

(2) Any controlled goods shall be shipped on or after the date of the import permit but not after the date of validity of the permit.

(3) The Permanent Secretary may, where the holder of the permit makes a written request to that effect, amend any of the following matters contained in the permit -

(a) the quantity of goods;

(b) the value of the goods;

(c) the country of origin;

(d) country from which goods are consigned;

(e) name and address of beneficiary;

(f) mode of payment; and

(g) the name of the bank.

(4) An import permit issued under these regulations shall be without prejudice to the obligation of the importer to comply with any other enactment in force in Mauritius relating to the goods covered by the import permit.

(5) The Permanent Secretary may cancel an import permit if he is satisfied that the holder of the permit no longer requires the permit.

(6) Subject to paragraph (2) of regulation 8, no person other than the holder of the import permit, shall retain the permit in his custody.

7. No import permit shall be required in respect of the following controlled goods -

(a) household and personal effects of a passenger (excluding second-hand vehicles and second-hand equipment and tools for commercial or industrial use);

(b) samples of no commercial value involving no transfer of funds;

(c) goods for ship stores and transshipment;

(d) goods donated to the Government of Mauritius by a foreign Government.

8. (1) No bank shall, in respect of the importation of any controlled goods, open a letter of credit or effect any payment in foreign currency in favour of any person except on production of the original import permit.

(2) The bank shall retain the original import permit produced under paragraph (1).

9. (1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Permanent Secretary may, on good cause shown by the importer in respect of controlled goods already imported, grant an import permit subject to the payment by the importer to the Accountant-General of a fee of –

a (a) 25,000 rupees in the case of a second-hand motor vehicle;

(b) 5,000 rupees in the case of any other controlled goods.

(2) (a) The fee of 25,000 rupees payable under paragraph 1(a) shall not apply to the categories of importers specified in Part I of the Eighth Schedule.

(b) The fee of 5,000 rupees payable under paragraph 1(b) shall not apply to the categories of importers specified in Part II of the Eighth Schedule.

10. (1) No person shall remove any controlled goods from the Customs unless -

(a) he holds an import permit; and

(b) he obtains the written approval of the Permanent Secretary.

(2) The Permanent Secretary may, for the purpose of granting an approval under paragraph (1), request the importer to furnish the original and one copy of the relevant invoice of the goods together with the original and one copy of the related Bill of Lading or Airway Bill or Postal Receipt or the Notice of Arrival of goods issued by an organisation providing a courier service, as the case may be and furnish such additional information or document as he may reasonably require and consult such person as he considers necessary.

(3) (a) Subject to sub-paragraphs (b) and (c), the Permanent Secretary shall grant an approval within 3 working days after the effective date subject to such conditions as he thinks fit and, in relation to goods specified in the second column of the Fifth Schedule, subject to the additional conditions specified in the third column of that Schedule.

(b) Subject to the Fifth Schedule, where an importer fails to furnish the pre-shipment inspection certificate required at item 3(a)(vii), 3(b)(iii), 3(c)(vii) and item 3(d)(ix) of the Fifth Schedule, the Permanent Secretary shall grant an approval to the importer subject to –

(i) the payment of a fee of 15,000 rupees to the Accountant-General;

(ii) the vehicle being inspected by the local branch of Bureau Veritas or Société Générale de Surveillance or any local inspection body acceptable by the Permanent Secretary; and

(iii) the submission of a certificate of inspection carried out under sub-paragraph (ii) which shall be in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule.

(c) The payment of the fee of 15,000 rupees under sub-paragraph (b)(i) shall not apply to an importer specified at paragraph 7 in part I of the Eighth Schedule.

(d) Subject to sub-paragraph (e), where the date of issue of the import permit is after the date of shipment of a second-hand motor vehicle or of any other controlled goods, the Permanent Secretary may grant an approval subject to payment by the importer to the Accountant-General of a fee of –

(i) 25,000 rupees in the case of a second-hand motor vehicle;

(ii) 5,000 rupees in the case of any controlled goods other than second-hand motor vehicle.

(e) The fees of 25,000 rupees and 5,000 rupees payable under sub-paragraph (d) shall not apply to the categories of importers specified in Parts I and II of the Eighth Schedule respectively.

11. (1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Permanent Secretary shall not approve the removal of goods under regulation 10 if –

(a) the importer does not produce the documents specified in regulation 10(2);

(b) the additional information or other document requested under regulation 10(2) has not been furnished;

(c) after consulting any person, he is satisfied that the removal of goods cannot be approved.

(2) For the purpose of approving the removal of goods from the Customs, the Permanent Secretary may, in the absence of the original invoice and the relevant shipping documents, accept -

(a) a Bill of Lading, an Airway Bill, a Postal Receipt or a Notice of Arrival of goods issued by an organisation providing a courier service;

(b) the original Customs Provisional Bill of Entry and the final Customs Bill of Entry.

11A. (1) Notwithstanding the other provisions of these regulations, the Permanent Secretary may authorise the performance of any act or thing required to be done under these regulations to be made or done electronically through such computer system via the TradeNet, as may be approved by him.

(2) For the purpose of these regulations, “TradeNet” has the same meaning as in the Customs (Use of Computer) Regulations 1997.

(3) With effect from such date as may be notified in the Gazette, the Permanent Secretary may direct that any matter, act or thing referred to in this regulation shall be made or done electronically or otherwise.

12. (1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Supplies (Control of Imports) Regulations 1991 are revoked.

(2) The Supplies (Control of Imports) Regulations 1991 shall continue to apply to any matter relating to the importation of controlled goods under an import permit issued prior to the coming into force of these regulations.

13. These regulations shall come into operation on the 30 August 1999

Made by the Minister on 26 August 1999.

FIRST SCHEDULE

(regulation 2)

LIST OF CONTROLLED GOODS

PART I

General Goods

H.S. Code		Description of Goods
03.02 03.03 03.04	-	Chilled or frozen fish
03.05	-	Salted Fish (**Repealed G.N 246/2006 w.e.f 15.12.06**)
04.01	-	Milk (fresh/liquid)
0402.10 0402.21 0402.29 1901.101		Infant Milk
0402.10 0402.21 0402.29		Milk powder
07.01	-	Potatoes (in all forms) including seed
0703.10	-	Onions and Shallots
0703.20	-	Garlic
0805.30	-	Lemons and Limes
0908.3010 0908.3090		Cardamons neither crushed nor ground Cardamons crushed or ground
0908.3010 0908.3090		Turmeric neither crushed nor ground Turmeric crushed or ground
10.06	-	Rice
11.01	-	Wheat or meslin flour
1513.1100 1513.1900	-	Coconut oil (copra) and its fractions, whether or not refined but not chemically modified

H.S. Code		Description of Goods
15.16	-	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their fractions, partly or wholly hydrogenated, inter-esterified, re-esterified or elaidonised, whether or not refined, but not further prepared
15.17	-	Margarine edible mixtures or preparations of animal or vegetable fats or oils or of fractions of different fats or oils of chapter 15, other than edible fats or oils or their fractions of Heading No. 15.16
15.18	-	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their fractions boiled, oxidised, dehydrated, sulphurised, blown, polymerised by heat in vacuum or in inert gas or otherwise chemically modified
1602.50	-	Canned corned beef
1602.901		Canned corned mutton
1604.15		Canned fish (Pilchards)
21.06	-	Nutrient supplements
25.01	-	Salt
2523.21 2523.29	-	Portland Cement
27.09	-	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals crude
27.10	-	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals other than crude oil, white spirit, lubricating oil and greases.
Chapter 30	-	Pharmaceutical products Ayurvedic and other traditional medicines
3006.20 3006.30 38.22	-	Diagnostic materials of biological origin
3604.10	-	Fireworks (including fireworks commonly known as "pétards")
3811.90	-	Potassium-Based Additive
3917.31 4009.11 4009.12	-	Tubes and Hoses (other than tubes and hoses consisting of a metal reinforcement) for connecting liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) cylinders to domestic gas appliances.

H.S. Code	Description of Goods
3917.21 3917.22 3917.23	- PVC Pipes **(DELETED GN 52 – 2007 w.e.f 18.06.2007)**
3923.211 3923.291	- Plastic carry bags (Vest type)
3926.201 4015.901 6307.2000	- Life Jackets
4012.20	- Used pneumatic tyres of rubber
6506.101	- Motor-cyclists' helmets (crash helmets)
7102.10 7102.21 7102.31	- Rough diamonds (other than those imported from Liberia)
71.08	- Gold (including gold plated with platinum) unwrought or in semi-manufactured forms, or in powder form
7112.10	- Waste and scrap of gold including metal clad with gold but excluding sweepings containing other precious metals
84.23	- Weighing machinery
90.16	- Balances
8516.10	- Electric water heaters and immersion heaters and parts thereof
8536.20	- Automatic circuit breakers with Residual Current Devices<1000 V
8536.501	- Residual Current Switches<1000V (“interrupteur différentiel”)
8536.901	- Leakage modules<1000 V
85.44	- Electric Cable insulated with plastic materials - Armoured Electric Cables
87.02	- Public transport type, passenger motor vehicles, bus
8706.001	- Bus chassis fitted with engines

89.01	-	Cruise ships, excursion boats, ferry-boats, cargo ships, barges and similar vessels for the transport of persons or goods
89.04	-	Tugs and pusher craft
90.17	-	Instruments for measuring length, for use in the hand (for example measuring rods and tapes)
9018.31	-	Syringes with or without needles
9018.39		Sutures and ligatures
9021.00	-	Sirolimus and other drug-eluting stents
9603.10	-	Brooms
9613.10	-	Pocket lighters, gas fuelled, non-refillable
9613.20	-	Pocket lighters, gas fuelled, refillable
	-	Second-hand (used/reconditioned) motor vehicles
	-	Second-hand motor vehicle parts and accessories
	-	Other used, scrapped and second-hand goods

SECOND SCHEDULE
(regulation 2)

(List of prohibited goods)

1. Ball valve bottles.

2. Explosive caps for toy pistols and guns containing a mixture of potassium chlorate and red phosphorus.

3. Fire crackers of a type commonly known as "pétards rapés".

4. White phosphorous matches.

5. Motor vehicle rubber tyres which, have been remoulded, recapped or regrooved.

6. Kerosene stoves of a type commonly known as "lampes vertes" and parts thereof.

7. Water scooters. **(DELETED G.N. 88 – 2007 w.e.f 12.06.07)**

8. Ivory and Tortoise Shell.

9. Underwater fishing guns.

10. Sugar and chocolate confectionary and bubble/chewing gum in the form of cigarettes.

11. Second-hand motor vehicle spare parts and accessories as follows:-

    (a) Tubes and wheels;

    (b) Macpherson strut assembly;

    (c) Injector nozzles;

    (d) Chassis and parts thereof;

    (e) Brake linings;

    (f) Clutch nut and parts thereof;

    (g) Filters;

    (h) Hoses;

    (i) Engine mountings;

    (j) Belts;

    (k) Oil seals;

    (l) Ball joints;

    (m) Bearings;

    (n) Shock absorbers;

(o) Coil spring, leaf spring and torsion bar;

(p) Body shells of motor-cars or any parts of motor-cars originally welded by the manufacturer to their structured body shells or chassis;

(q) Jacks.

(r) Second-hand motor vehicles tyres other than second-hand motor vehicle tyres imported by any firm operating in the export processing zone for re-export as retreaded tyres.

12. Toy motor-cyclists' helmets.

13. "Roll your own cigarettes" papers imported under H.S Code No. 48.13.

14. Electric Water Heater with bare element and parts and accessories thereof.

15. Portable electric lamps commonly known as laser penlights/torches of 1 MW (milliwatt) or more **(Updated G.N. 21 – 2007 w.e.f 19.02.07)**

16. Toy pistols and guns with projectiles.

17. Containers performing the function of "Aerosols" using C.F.C's (Chlorofluorocarbons) as propellant with contents other than pharmaceutical products.

18. The following items containing C.F.C's (Chlorofluorocarbons) as refrigerant or blowing agent-

    Refrigerators, freezers, refrigerating cabinets, showcases, counters and other refrigerating or freezing furnitures, chilling units, coolers, airconditioners (including motor vehicle airconditioners), automatic beverage-vending machines, incorporating refrigerating devices, cold-room equipment, refrigerated transport vehicles, refrigerator insulation, freezer insulation, foam packings, dehumidifiers, fishing boat refrigeration equipment, and styrofoam.

19. Crocidolite(Blue Asbestos) and its products.

20. Polybrominated Diphenyls(PBB) and its products.

21. Polychlorinated Diphenyls(PCB) and its products.

22. Polychlorinated Terphenyls(PCT) and its products.

23. Tris (2,3 – Dibromopropyl) Phosphate and its products.

24. PVC teethers and teething rings.

25. Rolling machines (other than rolling machines of industrial types) used to manufacture cigarettes.

26. Diamonds including rough ones imported from Liberia. **(DELETED GN 102-2007 w.e.f 20.07.07)**

27. All round logs and timber products from Liberia.

28. Bull Bar

29. Asbestos fibres as follows –

    (a) Actinolite

    (b) Anthophylite

    (c) Amosite

    (d) Tremolite

30. Toy known as "Yoyo water ball"

31. Any jelly confectionery including jelly mini cups or mini capsules which are intended for human consumption and contain E425 (konjac), including konjac gum or konjac glucomannane.

32. Any jelly mini cup or any jelly mini capsule which is intended for human consumption and which contains food additives E400 (alginic acid), E401 (sodium alginate), E402 (potassium alginate), E403 (ammonium alginate), E404 (calcium alginate), E405 (propane – 1,2 – diol alginate), E406 (agar), E407 (carrageenan), E407a (processed eucheuma seaweed), E410 (locust bean gum), E412 (guar gum), E413 (tragacanth), E414 (acacia gum), E415 (xantham gum), E417 (tara gum) and E418 (gellan gum).

33. Batteries containing mercury

34. Aerosol spray containing benzene

35. Cosmetic products containing Vitamin K1 (Phytonadione)

THIRD SCHEDULE
(regulation 5 (2)(b))

IMPORT PERMIT

I. Application

I/We* .....

of + ...

hereby apply for a permit to import into Mauritius the goods described below. I/we undertake to observe the conditions under which this permit is issued.

Date ....…….....

II. Description of controlled goods *Signature of Applicant*

Quantity	Unit of ** Quantity	Full description of goods	H.S. Code

Purpose of Importation.....……...

(i.e. what will the controlled goods be used for)

Country of Origin.....

Country from which consigned.....

Date of Shipment (approximate)++.....

III.Description of Currency and mode of payment

Value in foreign currency (in figures and words).....

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Value per unit in foreign currency.....

Rate of exchange.....

Value in Rupees ..... Value in Rupees per Unit.....…...

Details of exchange contractsϑ.....

Value in foreign currency (in figures and words) to be transferred through bank ……

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Bank from which currency is to be purchased.....

Name and address of beneficiary.....

IV.Approval - ***(for official use only)***

Import authorised under Import Permit Ref.....

Validity of Permit.....….....

Conditions of Approval …….....

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Date..... .....……..

____ Permanent Secretary

*Insert full name of applicant - person or firm (Block Capitals)

+Insert full Postal business address of applicant (Block Capitals)

**Unit of quantity to be the same as the one used for Customs Bill of Entry. The weight and volume (as appropriate should be indicated).

++Specify date.

ϑ Bank draft, Letter of Credit, Air Mail Transfer, Money Order, Draft against Documents, Telegraphic Transfer, Postal Order.

V. Instructions to Importers

1. The application for an import permit which is to be submitted in triplicate, must be accompanied by the following documents -

   (a) a photocopy of the National Identity card or the certificate of incorporation of the applicant as the case may be if goods to be imported is a second-hand motor vehicle;

   (b) a photocopy of the appropriate Trading Licence of the applicant if controlled goods are imported for the first time for resale.

FOURTH SCHEDULE
(regulation 5(5))

Restrictions on controlled goods

	Description of controlled goods	Type of restriction
1.	Potatoes	Quantitative (yearly quota)
2.	Table Salt	Quantitative (yearly quota)
3.	Gold	Shall be imported only by jewellers or factories in the Export Processing Zone holding the appropriate licences or certificates to manufacture goldwares
4.	Second-hand (used/reconditioned) motor cars	Quantitative - an individual or firm (other than an authorised dealer or a taxi owner/driver) is entitled to import one motor car every 5 years.
5.	Second-hand (used/reconditioned) lorries/trucks (other than lorries/ trucks of special types for specific purposes)	Quantitative - an individual or firm (other than an authorised dealer) is entitled to import one lorry/truck every 5 years.
6.	Second-hand (used/reconditioned) van	Quantitative - an individual or firm (other than an authorised dealer) is entitled to import one van every 5 years.
7.	Second-hand motorcycles	Quantitative - (a) (b) One autocycle (less than 50cc) per individual involving no transfer of fund (gift or resettlement); or (c) One motorcycle of less than 1 year old per individual involving no transfer of fund (gift or resettlement).
8.	Used, scrapped and second-hand goods other than essential second-hand motor vehicle parts and accessories	(a) Total restriction on importation for resale

	Description of controlled goods		Type of restriction
9.	Second-hand motorcycle/autocycle) Parts and accessories	(b)	Total restriction on importation for resale or local assembly into motorcycles/autocycles.
10.	Second-hand bus	(a)	Quantitative – an individual or a firm employing not less than 8 persons (other than an authorised dealer or a public transport operator) is entitled to import one second-hand bus every 5 years for each appropriate licence issued by the National Transport Authority under the Road Traffic Act.
		(b)	Any second-hand bus imported by an authorised dealer shall be sold only to a person holding the appropriate licence issued by the National Transport Authority under the Road Traffic Act.
		(c)	The importation of several second-hand buses by a public transport operator shall be limited to the number of vehicles authorised by the National Transport Authority for public transport under the Road Traffic Act.
11.	Potassium-Based Additive		Shall be imported only by the State Trading Corporation.
12.	Used pneumatic tyres of rubber	-	Shall be imported only by any firm operating in the export processing zone for re-export as remoulded, recapped or regrooved tyres.

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FIFTH SCHEDULE

(regulation 5(6))

(Conditions under which the goods should be imported)

Description of Controlled Goods	Conditions under which the goods should be imported
1. Rice (imported by traders other than State Trading Corporation)	Should not exceed 10% broken Rice.
2. Weighing and measuring instruments not for trade use	Each and every instrument should be clearly and indelibly marked "Not for trade use"
4. Second-hand (used/reconditioned) motor vehicles as follows:-	
(a) Motorcars, dual purpose vehicles (including 2x4 and 4x4 double-cab truck but excluding van and double-cab heavy duty lorry)	Motorcars, dual purpose vehicles (including 2x4 and 4x4 double-cab truck but excluding van and double-cab heavy duty lorry) shall - (i) be between 18 months and 4 years from the date of first registration, at the date of shipment, except for a vehicle imported by the categories of importers specified at paragraphs 1 to 6 in Part I of the Eighth Schedule. (ii) be consigned to the applicant whose name shall appear on the Bill of Lading and the manifest as the consignee; (iii) be registered with the National Transport Authority in the name of the importer except where the vehicle is imported by an authorised dealer; (iv) be a right-hand drive; (v) be in good running condition and not damaged; (vi) have its original chassis;

Description of Controlled Goods	Conditions under which the goods should be imported
	(vii) be covered by an inspection certificate in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule or containing the particulars and information required in the Sixth Schedule issued not earlier than 2 months before the date of shipment by a branch of Bureau Veritas or Société Générale de Surveillance (S.G.S.) or a competent authority in the exporting country recognised by the Permanent Secretary, or with regard to Japan, South Africa and the United Kingdom by the authorities specified in the Seventh Schedule certifying the roadworthiness and usability of the vehicle, except where the vehicle is imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 in Part I of the Eighth Schedule;
	(viii) be covered by a document issued by the appropriate authority in the exporting country and/or in the country of origin, acceptable by the Permanent Secretary as an evidence that the vehicle is not a stolen one;
	(ix) have been first registered not later than in the year following the year of their manufacture.
	(x) not be fitted with any bull bar.
(b) Goods vehicles (lorries including double-cab heavy duty lorries and trucks other than 2x4 and 4x4 double-cab trucks)	Goods vehicles (lorries including double-cab heavy duty lorries and trucks other than 2x4 and 4x4 double-cab trucks) shall -

Description of Controlled Goods	Conditions under which the goods should be imported
	(i) be not more than 8 years from the date of first registration, at the time of shipment, except for a vehicle imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 in Part I of the Eighth Schedule; (ii) be consigned to the applicant whose name shall appear on the Bill of Lading and the manifest as the consignee; (iii) be registered with the National Transport Authority in the name of the importer except where the lorry/truck is imported by an authorised dealer; (iv) be a right-hand drive; (v) be in good running condition or not damaged (vi) have its original chassis; (vii) be covered by a inspection certificate in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule or containing the particulars and information required in the Sixth Schedule issued not earlier than 2 months before the date of shipment of a branch of Bureau Veritas or Société Générale de Surveillance (S.G.S.) or a competent authority in the exporting country recognised by the Permanent Secretary, or with regard to Japan, South Africa and the United Kingdom by the authorities specified at the Seventh Schedule certifying the road-worthiness and usability of the vehicle, except where the vehicle is imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 in Part I of the Eighth Schedule;

Description of Controlled Goods	Conditions under which the goods should be imported
	(viii) be covered by a document issued by the appropriate authority in the exporting country and/or in the country of origin, acceptable by the Permanent Secretary as an evidence that the vehicle is not a stolen one; (ix) have been first registered not later than in the year following the year of their manufacture; (x) Not be fitted with any bull bar.
(c) Vans (other than motor buses) designed to carry goods and/or to carry not more than 7 persons including the driver	Vans (other than motor buses) designed to carry goods and/or to carry not more than 7 persons including the driver shall - (i) be not more than 5 years from the date of first registration, except for a vehicle imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule; (ii) be consigned to the applicant whose name shall appear on the Bill of Lading and the manifest as the consignee; (iii) be registered with the National Transport Authority in the name of the importer except where the vehicle is imported by an authorised dealer; (iv) be a right-hand drive; (v) be in good running condition and not damaged; (vi) have its original chassis;

(vii) be covered by an inspection certificate in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule or containing the particulars and information required in the Sixth Schedule issued not earlier than 2 months before the date of shipment by a branch of Bureau Veritas or Société Générale de Surveillance (S.G.S.) or a competent authority in the exporting country recognised by the Permanent Secretary, or with regard to Japan, South Africa and the United Kingdom by the authorities specified in the Seventh Schedule certifying the roadworthiness and usability of the vehicle, except where the vehicle is imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule;

(viii) not be fitted with any bull bar.

(d) Motor buses - Motor buses shall -

(i) be not more than 8 years from the date of first registration, at the date of shipment, except for buses imported by the categories of importers listed in Part III of the Eighth Schedule;

(ii) have been designed for the transport of not less than 8 persons including the driver and not more than 32 persons including the driver;

(iii) be fitted with a motor vehicle air conditioner when imported by public transport operators;

(iv) be consigned to the applicant whose name shall appear on the Bill of Lading and the manifest as the consignee;

(v) be registered with the National Transport Authority in the name of the importer except where the bus is imported by an authorised dealer;

(vi) be a right-hand drive;

(vii) be in good running condition and not damaged;

(viii) have its original chassis;

(ix) be covered by an inspection certificate in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule or containing the particulars and information required in the Sixth Schedule issued not earlier than 2 months before the date of shipment by a branch of Bureau Veritas or Société Générale de Surveillance (S.G.S.) or a competent authority in the exporting country recognised by the Permanent Secretary, or with regard to Japan, South Africa and the United Kingdom by the authorities listed at the Seventh Schedule certifying the road-worthiness and usability of the vehicle, except where the vehicle is imported by the categories of importers specified in Part III of the Eighth Schedule;

(x) be covered by a document issued by the appropriate authority in the exporting country and/or in the country of origin, acceptable by the Permanent Secretary as an evidence that the vehicle is not a stolen one;

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	(xi) have been first registered not later than in the year following the year of their manufacture;
	(xii) not be fitted with any bull bar.
(e) Motor-cycle... ...	The motor-cycle should be less than one year old at the date of shipment
5. Second-hand motor vehicle parts and accessories	Excluding prohibited second-hand motor vehicle parts and accessories as specified in the Second Schedule
6. Controlled goods imported for re-export	(a) Should be re-exported Ex-Bonded Ware House and not sold on the local market in any circumstances;
	(b) no permission to sell on the local market will be granted in any circumstances.
7. Motor-Cyclists' helmets (crash helmets)	Each helmet should be indelibly and clearly marked with the certification mark issued either by the National Bureau of Standards or by a recognized Standards Institution in the country of origin.
9. (a) Hydrogenated oils and fats imported under CTN 15.16 for industrial use	Shall contain not more than 85% saturated fatty acids on the fat weight basis.
(b) Vegetable fats (Vanaspati) imported under H.S. Code 15.16.20	Shall contain not more than 30% of saturated fatty acids on the fat weight basis.
10. Margarine rich in polyunsaturates imported under H.S. Code 15.17	Shall contain not less than 45% of polyunsaturated fats and not more than 25% of saturated fats on the fat weight basis.

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11. (a) Margarine imported under H.S. Code 15.17 for industrial Purpose	Shall contain not more than 75% of saturated fatty acids on the fat weight basis.
(b) Other margarine imported under H.S. Code 15.17	Shall contain - (a) not more than 60% of saturated fats on the fat weight basis; and (b) not more than 25% of palm oils.
12. (a) Edible mixtures or preparations of animal or vegetable fats or oil or of fractions of different fats or oil imported under H.S. Code 15.17 and 15.18	Shall contain - (a) not more than 23% of saturated fatty acids; and (b) not more than 25% of palm oils.
13. Measuring tapes	At least 50% of each and every consignment of measuring tapes shall be graduated in metric only.
14. PVC Pipes ... ... **(DELETED GN 52 – 2007 w.e.f. 5.04.2007)**	Shall comply with MS ISO 4422-2 and MS6 (a) a certificate from the Mauritius Standards Bureau shall be obtained prior to the clearance of the goods from the Customs.
15. Brooms	Excluding straw brooms and brooms wholly or partially made of vegetative material like "fataque".
17. Electric Cable insulated with plastic materials	(a) Shall comply with MS 17 and MS 113; (b) A certificate from the Mauritius Standards Bureau shall be obtained prior to the clearance of the goods from the Customs.
18. Armoured Electric Cables	Shall comply with MS 101

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19. Coconut Oil	Coconut oil should be imported in bottle of 1 litre each to be labelled as follows - **(a) "for cosmetic or religious purposes only" and** **(b) "Coconut oil is hazardous to health if consumed"**
20. Fine Gold for resale	(a) The importer should hold the appropriate Trading Licence issued under the Trade and Industries Classification Act and the Local Government Act giving him the right to manufacture and sell Goldwares. (b) The fine Gold should be sold to licensed jewellers only. (c) A Certificate of fineness from overseas, attesting that the Gold is of 24 Kt, should be submitted to the Ministry prior to the clearance of the goods from the Customs.
21 Pocket lighters, gas fuelled, non-refillable **(DELETED GN 26-2006 W.E.F)** **(DELETED GN 26/2006 W.E.F)**	(a) Shall comply with the International Standard, ISO 9994:1995 or any other equivalent standard; (b) A recent certificate of conformity with the international standard, ISO 9994:1995 or any other equivalent standard, should be submitted to the Ministry prior to the clearance of the goods from the Customs.
22. Life saving jackets	(a) Shall comply with the specifications set out in the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention; (b) Every life jacket shall bear the SOLAS marking.

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23. Tubes and Hoses (other than tubes and hoses consisting of a metal reinforcement) for connecting liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) cylinders to domestic gas appliances.	(a) The tubes and hoses shall indelibly bear at each interval of not more than 50 centimetres the following inscriptions; (i) The mark of the National Standard of the country of origin; (ii) The identity of the manufacturer and the country of origin; (iii) The date limit for use. (b) A valid certificate of conformity with the National Standard of the country of origin, issued by a recognised body, should be submitted to the Ministry prior to the importation of the tubes and hoses.
24. Rough diamonds (other than those imported from Liberia)	(a) A valid Kimberley Process Certificate issued by the appropriate authority of the exporting country shall be submitted to the Ministry, prior to the clearance of the diamonds from the Customs. (b) The certificate specified at paragraph *(a)* shall be a forgery-resistant document that meets the requirements of the Kimberley Process International Certification Scheme for rough diamonds. (c) The rough diamonds shall be imported in a sealed tamper-proof container accompanied by a duly authenticated copy of the certificate specified at paragraph *(a)*

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	(d) The relevant invoice from the supplier abroad shall *inter-alia* bear the following note- The rough diamonds herein invoiced have been purchased from legitimate source/s not involved in funding armed conflict and in compliance with relevant United Nations resolutions.
25. Plastic carry bags	(a) Shall comply with the standards specified in the Schedule to the Environment Protection (Plastic Carry Bags) Regulations 2004. (b) A Certificate from the Mauritius Standards Bureau attesting compliance with the Standards referred to in paragraph (a) shall be obtained prior to the clearance of the goods from the Customs.
26. Pocket lighters, gas fuelled, refillable	(a) Shall comply with the International Standard ISO 9994:2002 or any other equivalent standard; (b) A recent certificate of conformity with the International Standard ISO 9994:2002 or any other equivalent standard, should be submitted to the Ministry prior to the clearance of the goods from the Customs.
27. -Automatic circuit breakers with Residual Current Devices<1000V -Residual current Switches<1000V ("interrupteur différentiel") -Leakage modules<1000V	(a) Shall comply with the International Standards BS EN 61008 or BS EN 61009 or IEC 61008 or IEC 61009 or any other equivalent standard. (b) A certificate from the Mauritius Standards Bureau attesting compliance with the standards referred to in paragraph (a) shall be obtained prior to the clearance of the goods from the Customs.

SCHEDULE
(regulation 11)

SIXTH SCHEDULE
(regulation 10 and Fifth Schedule)

INSPECTION CERTIFICATE

1. We hereby declare that the second-hand motor vehicle, described hereunder to be exported to Mauritius/already imported into Mauritius* has been inspected by our organisation. The particulars of which are as follows and this Pre-shipment Inspection Certificate/Inspection Certificate* has been issued to the under-mentioned applicant.

(a) Name of inspection organisation…….

(b) Address: …….……

(c) Tel. No.: …… Fax No.: ……. Email No.:……...…….

(d) Place of inspection ……..……..…..

(e) Date of Inspection: ……..

2. Particulars of applicant:

(a) Name:……..

(b) Address: …….

(c) Tel. No.:…… Fax No. …… Email address: …….....

3. PARTICULARS OF SECOND-HAND MOTOR VEHICLE.

(1) Type of vehicle :…….……

(2) Make :…….

(3) Model :…….……....

(4) Commonly called (emblem reading) :…….…….

(5) Grade (emblem reading) :…….…….

(6) Body colour :…….…….

(7) Fuel type :…….…….

(8) Year of manufacture :……..……...

(9) Year/month of first registration :…….…….

(10) Inspection mileage (odometer reading) :…….…….

(11) Engine capacity :……..……

(12) Chassis No. :…….……

(13) Engine No. :…….……

(14) Unladen Weight :…….….

(15) Gross Vehicle Mass :…….….

4. We hereby certify and confirm as follows :-

(a) having cross-checked with the Vehicle Registration Authority the original of the last document emanating thereof and having inserted our seal as hereunder on both sides of the document; and

(b) that the vehicle as described above is roadworthy and usable; and

(c) the findings as set out in the vehicle Inspection Sheets I and II annexed.

Certification No.: …… Date of issue: ……..…..

Seal of the Organisation Signature ……..……..…

Name: ……..……

Capacity in which acting:.……..……

**** Delete as appropriate***

VEHICLE INSPECTION SHEET I

TYPE OF VEHICLE		DRIVING SYSTEM		WEATHER CONDITION	
Sedan Car	☐	FF	☐	Good	☐
Station Wagon	☐	FR	☐	Darkness	☐
Van	☐	2WD	☐	Rainy	☐
Truck	☐	4WD Full time	☐		
Jeep Style	☐	Part time	☐		
Double Cab Truck	☐				
Bus(……..Seaters)	☐				

WHETHER BODY ACCIDENTED	*ALTERATION OF VEHICLE	CRACK OF WINDSCREEN
Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐

BODY COLOUR:	Normal, Metallic, 2-Tone Colour:
	☐ ☐ ☐

TRANSMISSION			NUMBER OF DOORS	TYPE OF ROOF	
Floor	☐	A/T		H: High	☐
Column	☐	M/T ---- 3, 4, 5, 6 ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	2 3 4 5 6 ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	M: Medium	☐
				S: Standard	☐

SHAPE AND BODY OF TRUCK
Wide, Cab, Bonnet, Standard, Long, Super Low Deck, Low Deck, High Deck, Opening 3 parts, Opening 1 part, Wood Floor, Steel Floor
(Tick as appropriate)

EXPLANATION OF MARKS		SIZE OF SCRATCH AND DENT	
A: Scratch	☐	1: Slight	☐
U: Dent	☐	2: Small	☐
B: Bend	☐	3: Medium	☐
W: Wave	☐	4: Large	☐
S: Rust	☐	5: Heavy	☐
C: Corrode	☐		
T: Tear	☐	**DAMAGE TO CHASSIS**	
H: Hole	☐	Yes ☐	No ☐
XX: Replaced	☐	Severe	☐
P: Painted	☐	Moderate	☐
M: Marking of Letter of Make removed	☐	Light	☐
L: Letter of Make remaining	☐		

Remarks : ……

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Date of issue: …….. **Signature ……..……**

Capacity in which acting:.……

*to confirm under Heading Remarks whether the vehicle was reconditioned after having been damaged by accident or by natural calamities including flood.

VEHICLE INSPECTION SHEET II

TYRES		CONDITION OF INTERIOR AND SEATS	
Steel Wheel	☐	1. Smell of Tobacco	☐
Alloy Wheel	☐	2. Smell of Pet	☐
Size of Tyre	☐	3. Presence of Nicotine	☐
		4. Presence of Hair	☐

CONDITION OF:					CONDITION OF ROOM CLEANING	
1. Engine	Good	☐	Bad	☐	1. Clean	☐
*(a) Smoke Emission	Good	☐	Bad	☐	2. Medium	☐
(b) Other functions	Good	☐	Bad	☐	3. Dirty	☐
2. Muffler	Good	☐	Bad	☐		
3. Transmission	Good	☐	Bad	☐		
4. Battery	Good	☐	Bad	☐		
5. Electrical Instruments	Good	☐	Bad	☐		

CONDITION OF ACCESSORIES								
Air-conditioner (Single, Dual)	Good	☐	Bad	☐	Sliding Roof (Power, Manual)	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Power Steering	Good	☐	Bad	☐	Jack	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Power Window (1,2,3,4)	Good	☐	Bad	☐	Wrench	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Electrical Central Door Locking	Good	☐	Bad	☐	ABS	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Power Mirrors (Door, Fender)	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Rear Wiper	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Cigarette Lighter Plug	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Rear Spoiler	Fixed	☐	None	☐
AM Radio	Fixed	☐	None	☐	High Mount Rear Stop Lamp	Fixed	☐	None	☐
AM/FM Radio	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Bumpers (Coloured, Black)	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Cassette	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Door Visor (1, 2, 3, 4)	Fixed	☐	None	☐
CD Player	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Mud Guard (Coloured, Black)	Fixed	☐	None	☐
TV	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Wheel Cover (1, 2, 3, 4)	Fixed	☐	None	☐
GPS Navigation System	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Side Slide Glass (Cut Glass)	Fixed	☐	None	☐
SRS Airbag (Single, Dual)	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Roof Rails	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Air Pure Filter	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Front Grill Guard (Large, Small)	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Rear Speaker (Single, Dual)	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Side Steps	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Floor Mat (1,2,3,4,5)	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Roller Bar	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Leather Seats	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Rear Cargo Bed Cover	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Radio Antenna(Power, Manual)	Good	☐	Bad	☐	Rear Protect Bar	Fixed	☐	None	☐
Front Fog Lamp (Single, Dual)	Fixed	☐	None	☐	Rear Spare Tyre Cover	Fixed	☐	None	☐

(Tick as appropriate)

Remarks : ……

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Date of issue: …….. **Signature ……..……**

Capacity in which acting:……...……

***to confirm under Heading Remarks whether the "smoke emission" of the vehicle is in conformity with the appropriate Japanese/European Standards, or in the case of a diesel-driven motor vehicle, it has a maximum opacity of 50 per cent.**

SEVENTH SCHEDULE
(Fifth Schedule)

Country	Names and addresses of Authorities
Japan	1. Bureau Veritas* Japan
	2. Societe Generale de Surveillance* Japan
	3. Japan Auto Appraisal Institute: JAAI** 1-20-8, Kitashinagawa, Shinagawa, Tokyo
	4. SGS The Technical Section** 3-13 Moriya, Kanagawa-Ku, Yokohama
	5. Japan Vehicle Inspection Association** 1-9-3 Akasaka, Minato, Tokyo
	6. Mauriauto Inspection Organisation** 2-10-12 Ikouhoncho, Adachi-Ku Tokyo, Japan
South Africa	1. Bureau Veritas* South Africa
	2. Societe Generale de Surveillance* South Africa
	3. AA Testing Centre** Motor City Centre Solomon Street Gezina Pretoria (Cape Town-Durban-Johannesburg)
	4. Pretoria West Testing Centre** 112 Luttig Street Pretoria West Pretoria
	5. Pro Auto Testing Centre** Flower Street Capital Park Pretoria

Country	Names and addresses of Authorities
	6. Test Best Testing Centre**

97 Willem Kruiwagen Street
Rosslyn-east
Pretoria

7. Test Best Testing Centre**
8 Edward Avenue
Swartkop Ext. 17
Centurion
Pretoria

8. Test Best Testing Centre**
585 Rachel de Beer Street

Pretoria North
Pretoria

9. Test Best Testing Centre**
476 Hendrik Verwoerdt Avenue
Gezina
Pretoria

United Kingdom

1. Bureau Veritas*
U.K.

2. Societe Generale de Surveillance*
U.K.

3. Automobile Association (AA)**
Vehicle Inspection Lambert House
Cheadle Stockport
Cheshire SK 8 2DY

4. Royal Automobile Club (RAC)**
Vehicle Examination
1 Forest Road
Feltham
Middlesex TW 13 7RR

5. Vehicle Inspectorate**
Bristol Office
Berkeley House
Croydon Street
Bristol BSS ODA

***The Head Office and branches**
****and any other sub-office**

EIGHTH SCHEDULE
(regulations 9, 10 and Fifth Schedule)

EXEMPTED IMPORTERS
Part I

1. Government Bodies, local authorities, para-statal bodies.

2. Embassies and their personnel.

3. Religious, educational and benevolent institutions receiving a second-hand motor vehicle from abroad involving no transfer of funds from Mauritius.

4. A foreign firm engaged in a Government project or any other project of national interest importing its own vehicles from abroad involving no transfer of funds from Mauritius.

5. A foreigner taking employment in Mauritius, importing a vehicle for his own use from abroad without any transfer of funds from Mauritius.

6. A returning resident or spouse of a returning resident or a Mauritian receiving as gift a second-hand motor vehicle owned by his father, mother, brother, sister, son or daughter staying abroad, without any transfer of funds from Mauritius.

7. An individual importing a second-hand motor vehicle for his bona fide personal use covered by a Bill of Lading and the relevant manifest including any amendment as may be authorised by the Comptroller of Customs showing his name as consignee

Part II

1. Government Bodies, local authorities, para-statal bodies.

2. Firms importing for the account of the Government, local authorities and para-statal bodies.

3. Embassies and their personnel;

4. Clinics, laboratories and individuals importing pharmaceutical, medical and hygienic products and food supplements for their own use;

5. Pharmacies importing life saving drugs.

6. Religious, educational and benevolent institutions importing controlled goods for their own use or for free distribution.

7. An individual importing from abroad for bona fide personal use controlled goods of a value not exceeding 15,000 rupees; or an incoming passenger bringing in his luggage controlled goods of a value not exceeding 15,000 rupees.

8. A trader importing advertising materials for free distribution.

9. Companies operating in the Export Processing Zone importing equipment, tools, spare parts and raw materials that appear on their schedule lists of equipment and raw materials.

PART III

1. Government bodies, local authorities, para-statal bodies.

2. Embassies for their own use.

3. Religious, educational and benevolent institutions receiving a second-hand motor bus from abroad for their own use involving no transfer of funds from Mauritius.

4. A foreign firm engaged in a Government project or any other project of national interest importing its own motor buses for the transport of its employees involving no transfer of funds from Mauritius