

FERTILIZERS AND ANIMAL FOODSTUFFS (PACKING OF APPROVED FERTILIZERS) RULES, 1972

[L.N. 210/1972.]

RULES UNDER SECTION 19

1. These Rules may be cited as the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Packing of Approved Fertilizers) Rules, 1972.

2. Approved fertilizers exposed for sale in quantities of 25 kg or more shall be packed in weather-proof containers or packages which are of sufficient strength and sufficiently sealed and which are made of a sufficiently strong material which will withstand reasonable handling without tearing, bursting or falling open.

3. Each container or package as the case may be containing 25 kg of approved fertilizers shall be branded or indelibly marked or shall bear a securely fixed label showing the following particulars—

- (a) the name of the fertilizer as specified in the first column of the Schedule to the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Approved Fertilizers) Rules (L.N. 209/1972);
- (b) the weight in kilogrammes of the fertilizer which the container or package contains;
- (c) in the case of fertilizer which is superphosphate or supers the minimum percentage of water soluble phosphorus pentoxide which the vendor guarantees the fertilizer to contain in the declaration and warranty under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules (L.N. 216/1972);
- (d) in the case of fertilizer which is Soda phosphate, the minimum percentage of phosphorus pentoxide which is soluble in 2 per cent citric acid which the vendor guarantees the fertilizer to contain in the declaration and warranty under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules, 1972;
- (e) in the case of which fertilizer is Basic Slag, the minimum percentage of phosphorus pentoxide which is soluble in 2 per cent citric acid which the vendor guarantees the fertilizers to contain in the declaration and warranty under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules, 1972, and the minimum percentage of fertilizer which the vendor guarantees, will pass through a Standard Test Sieve Mesh No. 100 (minimum specification B.S. 410) having apertures not greater than 0.152 mm square in the declaration and warranty under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules, 1972;
- (f) in the case of fertilizer which is Rock phosphate, Seychelles Guano or bonemeal the minimum percentage of phosphorus pentoxide which is soluble in mineral acid which the vendor guarantees the fertilizer to contain in the declaration and warranty under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules, 1972;
- (g) in the case of fertilizer which is a compound fertilizer, the minimum percentage of nitrogen and of water soluble phosphorus pentoxide or of phosphorus pentoxide which is soluble in 2 per cent citric acid or mineral acid which the vendor guarantees the fertilizer to contain and the forms in which nitrogen is present in the declaration and warranty under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules, 1972;

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- (h) in the case of fertilizer which is urea or urea containing compound fertilizer, the minimum percentage of nitrogen and the maximum percentage of biuret which the vendor guarantees the fertilizer to contain in the declaration and warranty under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules, 1972;
- (i) in the case of fertilizer which is Ammonium Sulphate Nitrate, that it contains at least 2 per cent nitrogen;
- (j) in the case of fertilizer which is Sulphate of Ammonia, that it contains at least 20 per cent nitrogen and the maximum amount of free acid (if this is in excess of 0.03 per cent) which the vendor guarantees the fertilizer to contain under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules, 1972;
- (k) in the case of fertilizer which is Calcium Ammonium Nitrate, that it contains at least 20 per cent nitrogen;
- (l) in the case of fertilizer which is Nitrate of soda, that it contains at least 15 per cent nitrogen;
- (m) in the case of fertilizer which is Diammonium Phosphate, the minimum percentage of nitrogen and the minimum percentage of water soluble phosphorus pentoxide which the vendor guarantees the fertilizer to contain in the declaration and warranty under the Fertilizers and Animal Foodstuffs (Declaration and Warranty) Rules, 1972.

4. In the case of the sale of approved fertilizers in quantities less than 25 kg it shall be adequate, if the fertilizer sold is taken out in the presence of and with the knowledge of the purchaser from a container which is branded or indelibly marked or has a securely fixed label showing the particulars required under rule 3 of these Rules and transferred to an empty container or package meant to hold quantities of 25 kg or more of the sale fertilizer.

5. Any person who sells approved fertilizers in containers or packages in quantities of 25 kg or more which do not comply with the requirements of rules 2 and 3 of these Rules shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding three thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to both such fine and such imprisonment.
