

Food (Control of Quality) (Importation of Food)

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Made under Section 16(2)(b)

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THE FOOD (CONTROL OF QUALITY) ACT, 1978

(No. 10 OF 1978)

REGULATIONS

Made under Section 16(2)(b)

THE FOOD (CONTROL OF QUALITY) (IMPORTATION OF FOOD)
REGULATIONS, 1982

- Citation** 1. These Regulations shall be cited as the Food (Control of Quality) (Importation of Food) Regulations, 1982 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*, appoint.
- Application** 2. These Regulations shall apply in the manner in which the Minister may, from time to time, by order in the *Gazette*, direct, and the order or orders may either apply these Regulations throughout the United Republic or to certain areas or premises or category of premises or in any other way, and may specify different dates or periods for the application of different provisions of these Regulations.
- Interpretation** 3. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:
“import permit” means a permit issued to a food importer by the Commission under these Regulations, authorizing him to import food items specified therein;
“Minister” means the minister for the time being responsible for health;
“port of entry” means one of those places mentioned in the First Schedule of these Regulations.
- Restriction on importation of foods** 4.—(1) No food shall be imported into the United Republic unless the importer is a holder of a valid import permit in respect of that food.
(2) A fresh import permit shall be obtained from the Commission on every occasion the food importer places a fresh order even for foods which are included in his original or previous order.
- Application for registration of food importers and for import permit** 5.—(1) Subject to sub-regulation 2 of this regulation an application for registration as a food importer or for the grant of an import permit, as the case may be, shall be made to the Commission in forms prescribed in the second schedule to these Regulations and shall be accompanied by the prescribed fees.
(2) The Commission shall grant an import permit if it is satisfied—
(a) that the food item intended to be imported has been registered by the food importer;

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- (b) that the food item for which permit is being sought has not been banned or does not contain an ingredient which has been banned in the country of origin.
- (3) The Commission may withdraw or cancel any import permit issued by it or cancel any food item specified therein if—
- (a) it is discovered that false information was given in obtaining the import permit or registration of the food importer or of the food item in question;
- (b) it is reasonably suspected that a food item specified therein is likely to cause health hazards to consumers.
- 6.—(1) No food shall be imported into the United Republic through ports other than those listed in the First Schedule to these Regulations. Imported food to enter the country through approved ports only.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provision of sub-regulation (1) of this regulation, food may, in special circumstances, be imported into the United Republic through ports other than those listed in the First Schedule to these Regulations if the food importer makes prior arrangement consented to by both the customs officer and the authorized officer concerned.
- 7.—(1) No imported food shall be removed out of the customs area before it is inspected or examined, as the case may be, and certified as fit for human consumption in writing by an authorized officer. Inspection and examination of imported food.
- (2) In good time before its expected arrival, or soon after its arrival, the food importer or the captain of the vessel or his agent shall give an authorized officer a copy of food cargo manifest, stating the kind and amount of food, packaging unit used and the name of country of origin.
- (3) Food which is normally labelled in its country of origin shall be so labelled in Swahili or in English when imported into the United Republic and any food whether labelled or not, shall, in addition, be accompanied by a health certificate issued by a competent authority acceptable to the Commission showing—
- (a) that the food is fit for human consumption at the time of exportation;
- (b) that it meets the standards prescribed for it by the food control authority of the country of origin, stating such standards.
- (4) Where languages other than Swahili or English are used in the manufacturer's label a translation of the label declaration may be accepted if it is certified as correct by an acceptable competent authority.
- 8.—(1) No demurrage charge shall be levied on imported food which has remained in the customs area pending the outcome of analysis of a sample procured or taken from such food. Demurrage charge exempted in cases of public interest.

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(2) The authorized officer who has procured or taken a sample of imported food shall, as soon as he receives the results of analysis, inform the customs officer of his decision regarding the fate of the imported food and both the authorized officer and the customs officer shall, where necessary, work in co-operation to effect that decision, that is, to release or dispose off, as the case may be, the imported food as soon as reasonably possible.

General
penalty

9. Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with these Regulations, or any person who, directly or indirectly aids another person in committing an offence under these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years or to both fine and imprisonment.

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FIRST SCHEDULE
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List of Approved Ports

TANGA
DAR ES SALAAM—SEAPORT
DAR ES SALAAM—AIRPORT
LINDI
MTWARA
HIMO
KILIMANJARO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
NAMANGA
MUSOMA
MUTUKULA
BUKOBA
MWANZA—SEAPORT
MWANZA—AIRPORT
KIGOMA—SEAPORT
KIGOMA—AIRPORT
TUNDUMA
ITUNGI

SECOND SCHEDULE

UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
(MINISTRY OF HEALTH)

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF FOOD IMPORTERS
(SECTION 25 OF ACT No. 10 OF 1978)

(In Quadruplicate)

Name of applicant.....postal address.....Telephone No.....

Factory/Shop/Office address.....Situation.....

I/we hereby apply for registration as food importer of the following food items and /or substances used in the preparation/manufacture of food in accordance with the above mentioned Act and Regulations made thereunder:—NB—used additional sheet if space provided is inadequate.

99	Food Item	Packaging unit	Chemical/ Scientific name of ingredients	Used as used for	Per cent ingredient	Packaging material	Quality specifications	For Official use

Fees paid Shs.....Receipt No.....dated.....
Signature of Applicant

Registration of.....as food importer of food items and /or substances used in the manufacture of foods given registration number in the last column of this form is hereby granted not granted.

Date.....Registration No.....
Registrar

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SECOND SCHEDULE—(contd.)

UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
(MINISTRY OF HEALTH)

Import permit No.....

(In Quadruplicate)

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO IMPORT REGISTERED FOOD
(SECTION 24 OF ACT No. 10 OF 1978)

Name of registered food importer..... Postal address.....
 Factory/Shop/Office address..... Importer's Registration No..... Telephone No.....
 Approximate dates: of order..... of arrival..... Arrival expected by.....

I/we hereby apply for permission to import the following registered food items in accordance with the above mentioned Act and Regulations made thereunder:—

Food item	Reg. No.	Packaging unit	Quantity required	Chemical/scientific name of ingredient	Used as Used for	percent ingredient	Packaging material	Quality specification	For Official use only

100

Date.....19.....

Signature of Applicant

Part "B"—(To be filled by the Commission)

Permission is hereby granted/not granted to import food items marked "....." in the last column above provided the importer calls in the Commission to examine a sample of each item for fitness for human consumption before being allowed into Tanzania.

Date.....19.....

Registrar

cc. Bank of Tanzania,
Import Licencing Department,
P.O. Box 2939,
Dar es Salaam

National Food Control Commission D'Salaam.

Dar es Salaam,
7th April, 1982,

A. CHIDUO,
Minister for Health

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Food (Control of Quality) (Food Hygiene) Regulations

THE FOOD (CONTROL OF QUALITY) (FOOD HYGIENE)
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14.	Health measures to be taken in a food premises.
15.	Notice to clean, reconstruct or repair food premises.
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FIRST SCHEDULE

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2. FORM B—Application for licence:—
 - Part I—particulars of applicant and Business.
 - Part II—Composition and quality specifications.
 - Part III—Authorized officer's registration report to the Commission.
3. FORM C—Licence to manufacture, sell etc. food.

SECOND SCHEDULE

PART A

PART B