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**CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT ACT, 2011
(NO. 30 OF 2011)**

**CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS, 2018**

The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 354 and 355 of the Customs Management Act, 2011, makes the following regulations —

1. Citation and commencement.

- (1) These Regulations, which amends the Customs Management Regulations, 2013¹ may be cited as the Customs Management (Amendment) Regulations, 2018.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of July, 2018.

2. Amendment of regulation 2 of the principal Regulations.

Regulation 2 of the principal Regulations is amended by the insertion of the following definitions in the appropriate alphabetical order —

“**electric vehicle**” means a vehicle that is powered by an electric motor drawing current from rechargeable storage batteries or other portable electrical energy storage devices;

“**hybrid vehicle**” means a vehicle propelled by a combination of an electric motor and an internal combustion engine or other power source and components thereof;”.

3. Insertion of new regulation 149B into the principal Regulations.

The principal Regulations is amended by the insertion immediately after regulation 149A of the following new regulation 149B —

“149B. Environmental levy on hybrid and electric motor vehicles.

The environmental levy payable on the import of hybrid or electric vehicles shall, notwithstanding the age of the vehicle, be two hundred and fifty dollars.”.

4. Amendment to the First Schedule to the principal Regulations.

The *First Schedule* to the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by the deletion and substitution of Form C17 as follows —

¹S.I. No. 62 of 2013



BAHAMAS CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT
FORM NO.C17
ACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE DECLARATION

1. Declarations

Disembarking passengers are required to make oral declaration of all goods that they are carrying or which are in their baggage and complete this form in respect of any goods that are liable to duty. Members of a family residing in the same household and travelling together may make a single declaration.

2. Duty Free Allowances ---

These include ---

- (a) Alcoholic beverages not exceeding one quart of spirits and one quart of wine (adults only);
- (b) Tobacco not exceeding one pound in weight or 200 cigarettes or 50 cigars (adults only); and
- (c) Any other articles up to a limit of value \$500.00.

3. Declaration of Currency or Monetary Instruments

Any persons carrying any currency or monetary instrument in an amount of ten thousand Bahamian Dollars, (B\$10,000) or more, or foreign equivalent, is required to make a written declaration (see definition of currency on verse side of form).

4. Prohibited and restricted goods.

The importation of certain goods is prohibited or restricted by law. Failure to declare restricted goods to the Customs Officer and the importation of prohibited goods may involve seizure and liability to penalties. Such goods include fruit or other plant materials, animals, birds, drugs, firearms and indecent or obscene articles.

4. Warning

Any person who makes a false or incorrect oral or written declaration in relation to accompanied baggage is liable to penalties and the goods concerned may be forfeited.

DECLARATION FORM

Each person or responsible family member travelling is required to complete this form and if they are travelling with cash or negotiable instruments, or precious metals or precious stones, of a value equivalent to ten thousand Bahamian (B\$10,000) dollars or more is required to read the notes on the reverse before completing all items on this form.

1. Family Name: _____ First (Given): _____ Middle Initial: _____
2. Birth Date: Day: _____ Month: _____ Year: _____
3. Nationality: _____ 4. Passport No.: _____
5. Country of Residence: _____ 6. Passport Issued by (Country): _____
7. Countries visited on this trip prior to The Bahamas: _____
8. The primary purpose of this trip is business: Yes ☐ No ☐
9. I am/We are ordinarily resident in The Bahamas Yes ☐ No ☐
10. Residents – How long have you been away? _____
11. Airline Flight No. or Vessel _____
12. Address in The Bahamas: (Hotel/House/Apt. No., Street, Address, Island) _____

13. Household members for whom you are declaring: _____

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Family Name: _____ First (Given): _____ Middle Initial: _____
 Family Name: _____ First (Given): _____ Middle Initial: _____
 Family Name: _____ First (Given): _____ Middle Initial: _____
 Family Name: _____ First (Given): _____ Middle Initial: _____

The transportation of currency or monetary instruments is legal regardless of the amount.

"Currency" means the currency of The Bahamas or of any foreign country and includes cash, travellers cheque, draft or document of a kind intended to enable the persons to whom such is issued to obtain currency of The Bahamas or of any foreign country from some other person on the credit of the person issuing it.

I hereby declare that the particulars entered below are a true and correct statement of my baggage and of the goods carried by me that, except where otherwise stated, the goods are intended solely for my personal or household use and have been in my use and possession as stated overleaf

The baggage consists of (number) _____ packages.

Description and Quantity of Goods		Where and When Obtained and Whether Used or Unused		Value	For Customs Use Only	
					Rate	Duty
Declared Value		Exemptions x _____		Dutiable Value		
				Duty/Excise		
				Environmental Levy		
				Landed Cost		
				VAT Due (7.5%)		
				TOTAL		

I HAVE READ THE INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE AND HAVE MADE A TRUTHFUL DECLARATION.

Signature _____ Date _____

CUSTOMS USE ONLY

Examining Officer _____ Date _____

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