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ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH ACT
(CHAPTER 95)

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH
(GENERAL WASTE COLLECTION) (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS 2016

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 111 of the Environmental Public Health Act, the National Environment Agency, with the approval of the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources, makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Environmental Public Health (General Waste Collection) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 and come into operation on 1 December 2016.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2(1) of the Environmental Public Health (General Waste Collection) Regulations (Rg 12) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraph (g) of the definition of “general waste” and substituting the following paragraph:

“(g) recyclable waste;”;

(b) by deleting the definition of “incinerable waste” and substituting the following definition:

““incinerable waste” means any general waste that is suitable to be destroyed, rendered inert or reduced to ash through a process of controlled, high temperature combustion without causing damage to, or disrupting the operation of, the refuse incineration plant in which the process

is carried out, but does not include recyclable waste and waste specified in the Third Schedule;” and

(c) by deleting the definition of “non-incinerable waste” and substituting the following definitions:

“ “non-incinerable waste” means —

- (a) any recyclable waste;
- (b) any waste specified in the Third Schedule; or
- (c) any general waste that is not incinerable waste;

“recyclable waste” means any general waste that is capable of being recycled, and includes —

- (a) any recyclable; and
- (b) any refuse or waste specified in the Fourth Schedule;”.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 3

3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“No person to act as general waste collector, etc., without licence

3.—(1) A person must not do any of the restricted activities mentioned in paragraph (2) unless the person is —

- (a) a holder of a general waste collector’s licence; or
- (b) an employee of a holder of a general waste collector’s licence in the discharge of his duties as such an employee.

(2) The restricted activities are —

- (a) collecting or transporting general waste for payment or other remuneration (whether monetary or otherwise);

- (b) collecting or transporting from any food establishment (whether or not licensed under section 32 of the Act or section 21 of the Sale of Food Act (Cap. 283)) used cooking oil;
- (c) disposing of waste at a refuse incineration plant or a refuse transfer station; and
- (d) entering or remaining in a refuse incineration plant or a refuse transfer station for the purpose of disposing of waste.”.

Amendment of regulation 4

4. Regulation 4 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (2) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(2) Every applicant must furnish, in such form as the Director-General may require —

- (a) the following particulars of the applicant:
 - (i) the applicant’s full name;
 - (ii) the address of the applicant’s registered office or place of business;
 - (iii) the applicant’s telephone number and email address;
- (b) the following particulars of each worker employed by the applicant to carry out general waste collection, including any driver or crew member of a vehicle owned or used by the applicant for general waste collection:
 - (i) the worker’s full name and nationality;
 - (ii) the worker’s identification number or work permit number;
 - (iii) the worker’s Workforce Skills Qualifications certificate number;
- (c) the following details of each vehicle owned or used by the applicant for the collection and transportation of

general waste from a collection point to a disposal facility:

- (i) the vehicle registration number;
 - (ii) the type of waste that may be carried in the vehicle;
- (d) the following details of any equipment owned or used by the applicant for the purposes of general waste collection:
 - (i) the total number of hook-lift systems;
 - (ii) for each hook-lift system, the inspection report issued by a workshop accredited by the Singapore Accreditation Council;
 - (iii) the total number of compactors and open-top containers;
 - (iv) for each compactor or open-top container, the inspection report issued by a workshop accredited by the Singapore Accreditation Council;
- (e) the address and telephone number of the yard or depot at which the vehicles and equipment mentioned in sub-paragraphs (c) and (d) are kept;
- (f) the following information on the general waste to be collected:
 - (i) the types and quantities of general waste;
 - (ii) the disposal facilities (including recycling facilities) to which the general waste will be transported; and
- (g) any other information that the Director-General may require in any particular case.”.

Amendment of regulation 6

5. Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (a); and

(b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of paragraph (b) and substituting the word “; and”, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(c) the competency of the applicant’s workers to operate the vehicles and equipment mentioned in regulation 4(2)(c) and (d) in a safe manner, including by using suitable personal protective equipment.”.

Amendment of regulation 7A

6. Regulation 7A of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting the word “waste” in paragraph (1) and substituting the words “recyclable waste”; and
- (b) by deleting the regulation heading and substituting the following regulation heading:

“Collection of recyclable waste for recycling”.

Amendment of regulation 7B

7. Regulation 7B of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the word “waste” in paragraph (1) and in the regulation heading and substituting in each case the words “recyclable waste”.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 9

8. Regulation 9 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Transportation of general wastes under Class B and Class B.1

9.—(1) General waste listed under Class B in the Second Schedule must be transported by compaction vehicles, roll-off compactors or such other vehicles as may be permitted by the Director-General.

(2) General waste listed under Class B.1 in the Second Schedule must be transported —

- (a) in intermediate bulk containers on open lorries; or