

**Consumer Protection (Control on Repacking and Resale of Subsidised Goods)
Regulations 2026**

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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 on Repacking and Resale of Subsidised Goods) Regulations 2026**.

2. In these regulations -

"Act" means the Consumer Protection (Price and Supplies Control) Act;

"authorised officer" has the same meaning as in the Act; "repackage" -

(a) means to package anew or differently; and

(b) includes to divide, break bulk, rebag, rebottle, relabel or otherwise alter the original packaging of goods;

"State Trading Corporation" means the State Trading Corporation established under the State Trading Corporation Act;

"subsidised goods" means any goods listed in the Schedule to the consumer Protection (Control on Export of Subsidised Goods) Regulations 2026 and in the Fourth Schedule to the Consumer Protection (Consumer Goods) (Maximum Mark-Up) Regulations 1998, in respect of which a subsidy has 'been granted, reimbursed, claimed, funded or otherwise applied in full or in part, by or through the Government, the State Trading Corporation, the Mauritius Revenue Authority, or any other public body, under any enactment or scheme in force.

3. These regulations shall apply to the purchase, possession, storage and distribution, of subsidised goods for resale.

4. (1) No person shall, without the written authorisation of the State Trading Corporation, repackage, relabel or otherwise alter the original packaging of subsidised goods for the purpose of resale.

(2) No person shall sell, offer for sale or otherwise dispose of any subsidised goods which have been repackaged, relabelled or otherwise altered in breach of paragraph (1).

5. (1) No trader shall, without lawful authority, purchase, receive or have in his possession any subsidised goods repackaged, relabelled or otherwise altered for resale in breach of regulation 4(1).

(2) Where repackaged, relabelled or altered subsidised goods are found in any trade premises, the person having control of those premises shall be presumed to be in unlawful possession of those goods unless he proves that the goods were lawfully obtained.

6. For the purpose of ensuring compliance with these regulations, an authorised officer may, subject to sections 25 and 27 of the Act -

- (a) enter and inspect, at any reasonable time, any trade premises where subsidised goods are stored or sold;
- (b) require the production of any invoice, record or document relating to the subsidised goods; and
- (c) seize any subsidised goods or document reasonably believed to be connected with an offence under these regulations and cause such goods to be delivered to the State Trading Corporation for safe custody or disposal, pending any order of the Court.

7. (1) Any person who contravenes these regulations, or aids, abets or facilitates an offence under these regulations, shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than 50,000 rupees and not exceeding 100,000 rupees or to a fine of 1,000 rupees per bag sack, carton, tin or other package of subsidised goods used in connection with the offence, whichever is higher, subject to a maximum of 100,000 rupees per subsidised good.

(2) Any person shall be deemed to have committed the offence under paragraph (1), unless he proves that all reasonable steps have been taken to ascertain that the goods are not repackaged subsidised goods.

(3) In addition to any penalty imposed under this regulation, the Court may order the forfeiture of any repackaged subsidised goods and order the goods to be delivered to the State Trading Corporation for disposal.

(4) No compensation shall be payable to any person in respect of the forfeited goods.

8. These regulations shall come into operation on 2 June 2026.

Made by the Minister on 2 June 2026.