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Control of Goods (Import and Export) (Commerce) (Amendment) Regulations, 2026 (No. 15)

IT is hereby notified that the Minister of Industry and Commerce, in terms of section 4(1) of the Control of Goods (Import and Export) (Commerce) Regulations, 1974, published in Rhodesia Government Notice 766 of 1974, hereby makes the following regulations:—

1. This notice shall be cited as the Control of Goods (Import and Export) (Commerce) (Amendment) Regulations, 2026 (No. 15).

2. The Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) Notice, 1974, published in Rhodesia Government Notice No. 766 of 1974 ("hereinafter called the principal regulations"), is amended by the insertion of the following new sections after section 5—

"*Rejection of applications*

5A. The Secretary reserves the right to reject an application for an import or export licence if—

(a) the goods do not meet national quality or safety standards;

(b) the importation or exportation of such goods is deemed prejudicial to the economic interests of Zimbabwe; or

(c) the applicant has previously contravened the provisions of these regulations

Fees for import and export licences

5B. (1) An import application fee of one hundred United States dollars (US$100), or the equivalent in local currency at the prevailing interbank rate of exchange, shall be payable by an applicant prior to the issuance of an import licence.

(2) An export application fee of fifty United States dollars (US$50), or the equivalent in local currency at the prevailing interbank rate of exchange, shall be payable by an applicant prior to the issuance of an export licence.

(3) For the avoidance of doubt, the fees prescribed in terms of this section are non-refundable application fees, and the

Secretary shall not process or issue any licence until the applicant has produced proof of such payment.

Procedures, requirements and exemptions for licences

5C. (1) The procedures and documentary requirements for an application for an import or export licence shall be as set out in Part I of the Third Schedule.

(2) The goods and categories of persons exempted from the requirement of an import licence shall be as set out in Part II of the Third Schedule.

(3) The conditions for the collection of an approved licence shall be as set out in Part III of the Third Schedule.".

3. The principal regulations are amended by the insertion of the following, after section 7—

"*Control of importation of second-hand motor vehicle*

7A. (1) Second-hand vehicles aged ten (10) years and above from the date of manufacture classified under headings specified in the Second Schedule shall not be imported.

(2) Notwithstanding any administrative delays or processes pending with any other statutory authority, no import licence shall be issued for motor vehicles referred to in subsection (1).

(3) Any vehicle imported in contravention of subsection (1) shall be re-exported by the owner, at their own expense.

(4) If any second-hand motor vehicle is not re-exported within sixty (60) days, such vehicle shall be deemed forfeited to the State subject to the provisions of the Customs and Excise Act [*Chapter 23:02*].

(5) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the following second-hand motor vehicles aged ten years and above shall be allowed entry into Zimbabwe—

(a) vehicles belonging to deceased estates (inherited motor vehicles); or

(b) vehicles belonging to an immigrant as defined in terms of section 9 NO (1) of the Customs and Excise

Suspension Regulations, 2003, published in Statutory Instrument 257 of 2003; or

(c) vehicles belonging to an immigrant as defined in terms of section 105(1) of the Customs and Excise (General) Regulations, 2001, published in Statutory Instrument 154 of 2001; or

(d) vehicles belonging to diplomats returning to Zimbabwe from their postings; or

(e) vintage vehicles as defined in the Vehicle Registration and Licensing Act [*Chapter 13:14*].

Control of importation of second-hand clothing and undergarment

7B. (1) The importation of second-hand clothing is prohibited, except where the importer has obtained a valid permit authorising the importation for charitable purposes only, subject to such conditions as the Secretary may prescribe in writing to ensure the goods are for charitable distribution.

(2) The importation of second-hand undergarments is strictly prohibited under all circumstances.".

4. The principal regulations are amended in section 13A by the insertion of the following subsection after subsection (2)—

"(3) Any person who—

(a) imports or exports goods in contravention of these regulations;

(b) makes a false statement in an application for a licence; or

(c) sells a licence or permit issued in terms of these regulations;

shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding level twelve or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year, or to both such fine and such imprisonment.".

5. The First Schedule to the principal regulations is repealed and the following is substituted—

"FIRST SCHEDULE (*Section 5*)

PART I

GOODS REQUIRING AN IMPORT LICENCE

1. Goods referred to in—
   (a) the proviso to section 4; or
   (b) section 5 of the principal regulations.
2. School uniforms, including socks.
3. Furniture and steel kitchen units.
4. Goods listed in the following table:

Product Description	**Tariff Code**
Live poultry, that is to say, fowls of the species *gallus domesticus*, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls.	01.05
Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of heading 01.05, fresh, chilled or frozen.	02.07
Meat of swine, fresh, chilled or frozen.	02.07
Milk and cream not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter. (Packed for retail)	04.01
Disaccharide-free milk, and milk specially prepared for infants. (Packed for retail)	0402.91.10
Other not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter. (Packed for retail)	0402.91.90
Disaccharide-free milk, and milk specially prepared for infants. (Packed for retail)	0402.99.10
Other nes. (Packed for retail)	0402.99.90
Fermented milk.	0403.90.10
Other milk and cream nes.	0402.99.90
Onions	0703.10.00
Potatoes	0710.10.00
Noodles	1902
Cement clinkers	2523.10.00
White cement, whether or not artificially coloured.	2523.21.00

Product Description	Tariff Code
Other Portland cement	2523.29.00
The following products when imported in a container, other than the fuel tank of a vehicle, by anyone other than National Oil Company of Zimbabwe (Private) Limited:	
diesel fuel;	2710.19.22
petrol;	2710.12.12 2710.12.13
jet A1 fuel;	2710.19.11 2710.19.12
paraffin;	2710.1913 2710.1916 2710.1919
aviation gasoline.	2710.12.11
Aluminium Sulphate	2833.22.00
Radioactive chemical elements and radioactive isotopes (including the fissile or fertile chemical elements and isotopes) and their compounds; mixtures and residues containing these products.	28.44
Isotopes other than those of heading 28.44; compounds, inorganic or organic, of such isotopes, whether or not chemically defined.	28.45
Antiacids preparations containing Magnisium/ Aluminium salts excluding formulations containing alginic acid or sustained release.	3004.40.90
Seamless tubes of an internal diameter not exceeding 63,5 mm of polymers of ethylene.	3917.21.10
Other tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid of polymers of ethylene.	3917.21.90

Product Description	Tariff Code
Tubes having an external diameter of not less than 18 mm and not more than 28 mm.	3917.23.10
Tubes having an external diameter not exceeding 610 mm.	3917.23.20
Tubes having an external diameter exceeding 610 mm.	3917.23.90
Plastic bags and polyomers	3920 3921 3923
Conveyor belts or belting reinforced only with metal.	4010.11.00
Conveyor belts or belting reinforced only with textile materials.	4010.12.00
Other conveyor belts or belting.	4010.19.00
Retreaded or used pneumatic tyres of rubber; solid or cushion tyres, tyre treads and tyre flaps, of rubber.	40.12
Doors and their frames and thresholds of tropical wood.	4418.21.00
Other doors and their frames and thresholds.	4418.29.00
Other lightweight coated paper.	4810.29.90
Self-adhesive paper reels.	4811.41.10
Envelopes, letter cards, plain postcards and correspondence cards, of paper or paperboard; boxes, pouches, wallets and writing compendiums, of paper or paperboard, containing an assortment of paper stationery.	4817
Toilet paper.	4818.10.00
Cartons, boxes and cases, of corrugated paper or paperboard.	4819.10.00
Folding cartons, boxes and cases, of non-corrugated paper or paperboard.	4819.20.00
Sacks and bags, having a base of a width of 40 cm or more.	4819.30.00
Other sacks and bags, including cones.	4819.40.00
Other packing containers, including record sleeves.	4819.50.00

Product Description	Tariff Code
Registers, account books, notebooks, order books, receipt books, letter pads, memorandum pads, diaries and similar articles.	4820.10.00
Exercise books.	4820.20.00
Other registers, account books, note books, order books, receipt books, letter pads, memorandum pads, diaries and similar articles, exercise books, blotting-pads, binders (loose-leaf or other), folders, file covers, manifold business forms, interleaved carbon sets and other articles of stationery, of paper or paperboard; albums for samples or for collections and book covers, of paper or paperboard.	4820.90.00
Printed paper or paperboard labels.	4821.10.00
Other Printed, embossed or perforated paper or paperboard.	4823.90.70
Printed books in single sheets, whether or not folded.	4901.10.00
Dictionaries and encyclopaedias, and serial instalments thereof.	4901.91.00
Textbooks.	4901.99.10
Newspapers, journals and periodicals, whether or not illustrated or containing advertising material appearing at least four times a week. - Other	4902.10.00
Children's picture, drawing or colouring books.	4903.00.00
Music, printed or in manuscript, whether or not bound or illustrated.	4904.00.00
Unused postage, revenue or similar stamps of current or new issue in the country in which they have, or will have, a recognised face value; stamp-impressed paper; banknotes; cheque forms; stock, share or bond certificates and similar documents of title.	4907
Printed or illustrated postcards; printed cards bearing personal greetings, messages or announcements, whether or not illustrated, with or without envelopes or trimmings.	4909.00.00

Product Description	Tariff Code
Calendars of any kind, printed, including calendar blocks.	4910.00.00
Trade advertising material, commercial catalogues and the like.	4911.10.00
Pictures, designs and photographs.	4911.91.00
Guide books and directories; publicity matter relating to fairs, travel or exhibitions.	4911.99.10
Instructional charts and diagrams.	4911.99.20
Long pile fabrics.	6001.10.00
Looped pile fabrics of cotton.	6001.21.00
Looped pile fabrics of man-made fibres.	6001.22.00
Looped pile of fabrics of other textile materials.	6001.29.00
Blankets (other than electric blankets) and travelling rugs, of wool or of fine animal hair.	6301.20.00
Blankets (other than electric blankets) and travelling rugs, of cotton	6301.30.00
Blankets (other than electric blankets) and travelling rugs, of synthetic fibres.	6301.40.00
Other blankets and travelling rugs.	6301.90.00
Flexible intermediate bulk containers of man-made textile materials.	6305.32.00
Other sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods, of polyethylene or polypropylene strip or the like of man-made textile materials.	6305.33.00
Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods of other textile materials.	6305.90.00
Waterproof footwear with outer soles and uppers of rubber or of plastics, the uppers of which are neither fixed to the sole nor assembled by stitching, riveting, nailing, screwing, plugging or similar processes.	6401
Other footwear with outer soles and uppers of rubber or plastics.	6402

Product Description	Tariff Code
Footwear with outer soles of rubber, plastics, leather or composition leather and uppers of leather.	6403
Footwear with outer soles of rubber, plastics, leather or composition leather and uppers of textile materials.	6404
Other foot wear.	6405
Parts of footwear (including uppers whether or not attached to soles other than outer soles); removable in soles, heel cushions and similar articles; gaiters, leggings and similar articles, and parts thereof.	6406
Fishing Ceramics.	6907.40.00
Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of less than 600 mm, not clad, plated or coated.	7211.19.00
Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel, not further worked than forged, hot-rolled, hot-drawn or hot extruded, but including those twisted after rolling.	7214.20.00 7214.30.00 7214.99.00
Angles, shapes and sections of iron or non-alloy steel.	7216.10.00 7216.21.00 7216.22.00
Bridges and bridge-sections.	7308.10.00
Towers and lattice masts.	7308.20.00
Doors and frames of a type specially designed for use in lifts.	7308.30.10
Other doors, windows and their frames and thresholds for doors.	7308.30.90
Mining head frames and superstructures; underground yielding arches for use in mines; shaft guides rails.	7308.90.20
Other.	7308.90.90
Cans which are to be closed by soldering or crimping, to be closed by soldering, of a capacity of less than 50l.	7310.21.00

Product Description	Tariff Code
Other, of a capacity of less than 50l.	7310.29.00
Barbed wire of iron or steel; twisted hoop or single flat wire, barbed or not, and loosely twisted double wire, of a kind used for fencing, of iron or steel.	7313.00.00
Other grill, netting and fencing, welded at the intersection plated or coated with zinc.	7314.31.00
Anchors, grapnels and parts thereof, of iron or steel.	7316.00.00
Wire nails of iron or steel.	7317.00.00
Other screws and bolts, whether or not with their nuts or washers.	7318.15.00
Other threaded articles.	7318.19.00
Aerosol cans.	7612.9010
Crown corks.	8309.10.00
Nuclear reactors.	8401.10.00
Fuel elements (cartridges), non-irradiated.	8401.30.00
Parts of nuclear reactors.	8401.40.00
Metal cladded insulated panels.	8418.99.10
Conveyor idlers.	8428.39.00
Single furrow mouldboard ploughs of a weight not exceeding 55 kg.	8432.10.10
No till-direct planters.	8432.31.00
Other planters.	8432.39.00
Disc harrows with less than 30 discs.	8432.21.10
Disc harrows with more than 30 discs.	8432.21.90
Cultivators.	8432.29.20
Plough beam.	8432.90.10
Other parts.	8432.90.90
Groundnut Sheller	8437.10.00
Flywheels and pulleys, including pulley blocks.	8483.50.00
Containers with metal cladded insulated panels.	8609.00.10

Product Description	Tariff Code
Other seats with wooden frames (upholstered).	9401.61.00
Other.	9401.69.00
Metal furniture of a kind used in offices.	9403.10.00
Other furniture and parts thereof except wooden furniture of a kind used in the kitchen.	94.03 (excluding 9403.40.00)
Modular building units, of steel.	9406.20.00
Other prefabricated buildings of metal cladded insulated panels.	9406.90.20
Antacids preparations containing Magnesium/ Aluminium salts, excluding Formulations containing alginic acid or sustained release	3004.90.32
Aspirin and Caffeine tablets or capsules: All preparations of a combination of Aspirin and Caffeine of any pharmaceutical designation.	9902.12.11
Aspirin tablets or capsules, excluding 100mg tablet formulation or sustained release: Tablets or Capsules containing Aspirin as the only ingredient, excluding the 100mg tablet formulation or sustained release.	2918.22
Cotrimoxazole Suspension, syrup or dry granules: All preparations containing Sulfamethoxazole and Trimethoprim in any proportions.	3004.20.20
Cotrimoxazole Tablets or Sulphamethoxazole -Trimethoprim tablets. All preparations containing Sulphamethoxazole and trimethoprim in any proportions	3004.20.10
Erythromycin Capsules or Tablets: All preparations containing Erythromycin as a single active ingredient in suspension, syrup, dry granules or dry syrup	3004.20.30
Erythromycin suspension: All preparations containing Erythromycin as a single active ingredient in suspension, syrup, dry granules or dry syrup	3004.20.30
Frusemide/Furosemide 40mg Tablets: All preparations containing frusemide/Furosemide as a single active ingredient in a tablet or capsule.	3004.40.90

Product Description	Tariff Code
Ibuprofen tablets or Capsules: All preparations containing Ibuprofen as a single active ingredient in tablet or Capsule form.	3004.90.90
Metformin 500mg Tablets excluding sustained release formulations: All preparations containing Metformin 500mg immediate release as a single active ingredient in tablet or capsule form.	3004.90.99
Metronidazole tablets: All preparations containing metronidazole as a single ingredient in tablet or Capsule form.	3004.90.99
Paracetamol and Codeine tablets: All preparations containing Paracetamol and Codeine as the only active ingredients in tablets and capsules.	3004.90.99
Paracetamol syrup: All preparations containing Paracetamol as the only active ingredient in syrup, suspension, dry granules or dry syrup.	3004.90.99
Paracetamol tablets: All preparations containing Paracetamol and Codeine as the only active ingredients in tablets and capsules.	3004.90.99
Amoxicillin capsules or tablets: All preparations containing Amoxicillin as the only active ingredient in tablet or capsule form.	3004.20.40
Amoxicillin Granules for paediatric suspension: All preparations containing amoxicillin as the only active ingredient in syrup, suspension, dry granules or dry syrup.	3004.20.40
Cloxacillin capsules or tablets: All preparations containing Cloxacillin as the only active ingredient in tablet or capsule form.	3004.20.40
Cloxacillin Granules for paediatric suspension: All preparations containing Cloxacillin as the only active ingredient in syrup, suspension, dry granules or dry syrup.	3004.20.40

Product Description	Tariff Code
Dextrose (glucose) 5% IV infusion fluid or all intravenous Infusion preparations containing 5% Dextrose (50g/l) on its own.	3004.90.10
Half-strength Darrow's with glucose Intravenous Infusion fluid or all infusion preparations containing Half-strength Darrow's solution 50g/10 dextrose in combination.	3004.90.10
Maintelyte with Dextrose Fluid Intravenous (IV) Infusion preparations containing the following ions in the following composition (strength): Sodium (Na) 35 mmol/L; Potassium (K) 2S mmol/l; Magnesium 2.5mmol/l; Chloride (CI) 65mmol/l and Dextrose 100g/1.	3004.90.10
Ringer's Lactate Intravenous Infusion (VI) Fluid or all Intravenous infusion preparations containing the following ions in the following compositions: Sodium (Na) 131 mol/l; Potassium (K) 5mmol/l; Calcium (Ca) 2mmol/l; Chloride (CI) 111 mmol/l; Bicarbonate (HC03) 29mmol/l.	3004.90.10
Sodium Chloride (Normal Saline) Intravenous Infusion (IV) Fluid or All Intravenous Infusion preparations containing 0.9% Sodium Chloride (9g/l) or Sodium (Na) 154 mmol/l and Chloride (CI) 154mmol/l.	3004.90.10

Explanatory Note

Goods spec fied in this part cannot be imported without an import license from the Ministry c f Industry and Commerce.

PART II

GOODS FOR THE EXPORT OF WHICH A LICENCE IS REQUIRED

1. Fertiliser.
2. Raw and refined sugar.
3. Second hand industrial equipment.

Explanatory Note

Goods specified in this Part require an export permit from the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

SECOND SCHEDULE (*Section 7A*)

Product Description	Tariff Code
Second hand motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including the driver.	8702
Second hand motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (other than those of heading 87.02), including station wagons and racing cars.	8703
Double cabs (Diesel or semi-diesel)	8704.21.20
Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods with only compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel) of a payload not exceeding 800 kg.	8704.21.30
Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods with only compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel) of a payload more than 800 kg but not exceeding 1,400 kg.	8704.21.40
Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods with only compression-ignition internal combustion piston engine (diesel or semi-diesel) with a g.v.w not exceeding 5 tonnes nes.	8704:2190
Double cabs/Twin cabs (Petrol).	8704:3120
Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods, with only spark-ignition internal combustion piston engine of a payload not exceeding 800 kg.	8704:3130
Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods, with only spark-ignition internal combustion piston engine of a payload more than 800 kg but not exceeding 1,400 kg.	8704:3140
Other motor vehicles for the transport of goods, with only spark-ignition internal combustion piston engine g.v.w not exceeding 5 tonnes nes.	8704:3190

THIRD SCHEDULE (*Section 5C*)

PART I

APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

General requirements

1. (1) Every application for an import licence shall be made by way of an application letter addressed to the Permanent Secretary for Industry and Commerce at the Harare or Bulawayo provincial offices.

(2) A separate application shall be submitted for each different product category.

Company applications

2. Applications by a company or juristic person shall include a brief company profile indicating the line of business and the following details regarding the consignment—

(a) product description and relevant tariff code;
(b) quantity, expressed in the appropriate unit of measure;
(c) purchase price or selling price per unit;
(d) total value of the consignment and the country of origin or destination; and
(e) the goods cannot be sourced locally.

Supporting documents for companies

3. Every company application shall be accompanied by—

(a) a Certificate of Incorporation and a Form CR14;
(b) a valid Tax Clearance Certificate;
(c) a copy of the Standards Development Fund (SDF) levy receipt; and
(d) a proforma invoice for the intended imports.

Individual applicants

4. Applications by individuals shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the applicant's National Identity Document or valid Passport and a written justification for the import.

PART II

EXEMPTIONS FROM IMPORT LICENSING

1. An individual may, once per calendar month, import the following goods for personal use without an import licence, provided the quantities do not exceed—

(a) cooking oil (4 litres);
(b) sugar (4 kg);

(c) cereals (2 kg);
(d) jam (2 kg);
(e) peanut butter (2 kg);
(f) margarine (2 kg);
(g) laundry bar soap (1 box of 24 bars);
(h) washing powder (4 kg);
(i) one (1) blanket;
(j) four (4) pieces of cotton woven fabric; and
(k) body creams or petroleum jellies (1 case of 6).

2. An import licence shall not be required for the importation of personal goods belonging to—

(a) deceased estates (inheritance goods);
(b) diplomats based abroad;
(c) returning residents with immigrant status; and
(d) returning residents who have resided continuously outside Zimbabwe for a period of not less than six months.

PART III

COLLECTION OF LICENCES

1. (1) An approved licence shall only be collected by the applicant or a representative of the applicant.

(2) Upon collection, an individual applicant shall produce a National Identity Document or valid Passport.

(3) A representative of a company or juristic person shall produce—

(a) their own identification particulars; and
(b) a formal letter of authorisation on the applicant's letterhead.

FOURTH SCHEDULE

REPEALED NOTICES

Notices specified in the table below repealed.

1.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2017 (No.5).	Statutory Instrument 122 of 2017
2.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2018 (No. 6).	Statutory Instrument 237A of 2018

3.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2020 (No. 7).	Statutory Instrument 60 of 2020
4.	Control of Goods (Open General Import and Export Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2020 (No. 7).	Statutory Instrument 90 of 2020
5.	Control of Goods (Import and Export) (Commerce) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021 (No. 9).	Statutory Instrument 89 of 2021
6.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notices, 2022 (No. 8).	Statutory Instrument 94 of 2022
7.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2022 (No. 9).	Statutory Instrument 103 of 2022
8.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2022 (No. 9).	Statutory Instrument 185 of 2022
9.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2023 (No. 9).	Statutory Instrument 101 of 2023
10.	This notice may be cited as the Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2024 (No. 14).	Statutory Instrument 6 of 2024
11.	Control of Goods (Import and Export) (Commerce) (Amendment) Regulations, 2024 (No. 10).	Statutory Instrument 54 of 2024
12.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment), Notice, 2024 (No. 15).	Statutory Instrument 68 of 2024
13.	Control of Goods (Import and Export) (Commerce) (Amendment) Regulations, 2024 (No. 11).	Statutory Instrument 111 of 2024
14.	Control of Goods (Import and Export) (Commerce) (Amendment) Regulations, 2024 (No. 13).	Statutory Instrument 172 of 2024

15.	Control of Goods (Import and Export) (Commerce) (Amendment) Regulations, 2025 (No. 14)	Statutory Instrument 45 of 2025
16.	Control of Goods (Open General Import Licence) (Amendment) Notice, 2025 (No. 17).	Statutory Instrument 46 of 2025"