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ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT
(CAP. 549)

Waste (Amendment) Regulations, 2023

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by articles 54 and 55 of the Environment Protection Act, the Minister responsible for the environment, after consultation with the Environment and Resources Authority, has made the following regulations:-

1. (1) The title of these regulations is the Waste (Amendment) Regulations, 2023 and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Waste Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

(2) These regulations shall come into force within two (2) months from their publication in the Gazette.

2. Immediately after regulation 12 of the principal regulations there shall be added the following new regulation:

12A. (1) It shall be the duty of every person to separate the following recyclable waste streams at source prior to their separate collection:

(a) paper;
(b) metal;
(c) plastic;
(d) glass;
(e) bio-waste; and
(f) any other waste stream as determined by the Minister:

Provided that co-mingled collection of certain streams may be allowed only if carried out in conformity with the provisions of Schedule 3 to the Abandonment, Dumping and Disposal of Waste in Streets and Public Places or Areas Regulations:

Provided further that with respect to waste generated in public places, this obligation applies only where bins for the separate collection are available.
(2) The enforcement of sub-regulation (1) shall be carried out in a phased approach as shall be prescribed by the Minister by means of a Government notice in the Gazette and in conformity with regulation 10(4A) of the Abandonment, Dumping and Disposal of Waste in Streets and Public Places or Areas Regulations.".