CONTROL OF GOODS (RESTRICTION ON IMPORTATION OF WHEAT FLOUR) REGULATIONS

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1. Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the Control of Goods (Restriction on Importation of Wheat Flour) Regulations.

2. Person authorised to issue permits

For the purposes of these Regulations, "authorised officer" means the officer in the Ministry of Trade and Industry who is charged with the responsibility of issuing permits for the importation of wheat flour into Botswana.

3. Restriction on importation of wheat flour

- (1) No person shall import wheat flour except under and in accordance with a written permit issued under these Regulations.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subregulation (1) an import permit shall not be required for the importation of wheat flour donated to the Botswana Government or any organisation or person for purposes of drought relief or for the importation by any person of an amount not exceeding 12,5 kg of wheat flour for his personal consumption.

4. Application for import permit

- (1) An application for a permit to import wheat flour shall be made to the authorised officer, and such application shall contain such information, and shall be accompanied by such documents, as may be specified by the authorised officer.
- (2) A person who is granted an import permit under these Regulations shall not be charged a levy on all types of wheat flour that he or she imports.
- (3A) A consignment of wheat flour donated to the Botswana or any organization or person for purposes of drought relief shall not be charged a levy.
- (3B) Any person who imports wheat flour not exceeding 12.5 kg, for his or her personal consumption shall not be charged a levy.

5. Issue of import permit

Where the authorised officer is satisfied that an applicant for a permit under regulation 4 is a fit and proper person and that such person has complied with all the conditions specified for the issue of a permit he may authorise such person to import wheat flour on such conditions as may be specified in the permit.

6. Appeal against refusal to issue import permit

Any person aggrieved by the refusal of the authorised officer to issue him with an import permit under these Regulations may appeal to the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry whose decision thereon shall be final.

7. Penalties

Any person who imports any wheat flour into Botswana without an import permit or contravenes any provision contained in a permit issued to him shall be guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall be liable to the penalties prescribed in section 5 of the Act.