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**IODATED SALT**

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*(Made under sections 122 (1)(c))*

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**THE TANZANIA FOOD, DRUGS AND COSMETICS  
(IODATED SALT) REGULATIONS, 2010**

- Citation 1. These Regulations may be cited as The Tanzania Food, Drugs and Cosmetics (Iodated Salt) Regulations, 2010.
- Application 2. These Regulations shall apply in the mainland Tanzania.
- Interpretation 3. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:
- “Act” means the Tanzania Food, Drugs and Cosmetics Act;  
“authorized Officer” means an officer appointed under section 105 of the Act;

“dealer” means a person who carries on, directly or otherwise, the business of buying, selling, supplying or distributing iodated salt in wholesale or retail; but shall not include a manufacturer of iodated salt which is sold or distributed in a packaged form unless such iodated salt is sold by such manufacturer to any person other than a dealer;

“display” means offer of iodated salt for sale;

“iodated salt” means salt fortified with iodine in the form of iodated in accordance with regulation 5;

“manufacturer” shall have a meaning ascribed to it under the Act;

“minister” means the Minister for the time being responsible for health;

“package” means a closed box, bottle, casket, tin, barrel, container, case, receptacle, sack, jute bag with an internal polythene lining, or a polythene bag in which iodated salt is packed; ‘principal display panel’ in relation to a package, means that prominent part of a package, which is intended, or is likely to be displayed, presented or shown to or examined by the customary conditions of display;

“salt” means edible salt that is crystalline solid, white or pale, or light grey in colour consisting predominantly of sodium chloride obtained from sea, underground rock, salt deposits or natural brine and free from contamination with dust, dirt, clay, grit or any other

extraneous adulterants or impurities;

“laboratory” means any laboratory as specified under section 14 of the Act.

Restriction on  
importation of  
iodated salt

4. A person shall not import into Mainland Tanzania any edible salt in any other form unless such salt is iodated in conformity to Regulation 5 of these Regulations.

Requirement  
for edible salt

5. (1) A person shall not manufacture or cause any other person to manufacture for sale, distribute, store or display salt for human or animal consumption unless such salt is iodated in accordance with these Regulations.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provision of any other regulations, salt shall not be said to be iodated unless the same contains moisture not exceeding 4.0 per cent of the weight of the undried sample: and containing on dry weight basis;
- (a) at least ninety six percent by weight of sodium chloride;
  - (b) not more than one percent by weight of matter insoluble in water;
  - (c) not more than two percent by weight of matter soluble in water other than sodium chloride;
  - (d) iodations level shall be forty to eighty parts per million (ppm) at its production and importation; and
  - (e) the level of iodine shall be **twenty five to seventy parts** per million at the point of its sale.

Conditions for  
packing and  
labelling of  
iodated salt

6. A person shall not pack, cause to be packed iodated salt for sale, distribution display, or delivery unless the package in which the iodated salt is packed bears within the principal display panel, the area of which shall not be less than forty percent of the total surface area of the package, legible and unambiguous declaration in Swahili or English language as to:
- (a) The fact that the salt in the package is iodated.
  - (b) The complete name and address of:
    - (i) Manufacturer, if the manufacturer is also a packer; or
    - (ii) Packer, if the packer is not the manufacturer;
  - (c) The net weight of the iodated salt contained in the package, excluding the weight of the package;
  - (d) The month and year in which the iodated salt is manufactured, packed and expire.
  - (e) The batch and lot number of the package; and
  - (f) Storage in a cool, clean and dry place.

Compliance  
for package of  
iodated salt for  
storage

7. (1) Any storage, display, sell or distribution of iodated salt by a dealer or other person dealing with iodated salt, shall ensure that the package is in the form which complies with, in all respects, the provisions of regulation 6.
- (2) Any sell or distribution of iodated salt contained in a package which has been damaged, obliterated or altered declaration made on any package shall not be allowed.

Inspection  
and analysis  
of iodated salt  
by authorised  
officer

8. (1) Any authorized officer may at any time or where there is or reasonable cause of violation of law, inspect any factory, commercial concern, shop, store, premises or vessel where salt is manufactured, packed or stored as the case may be, and take any necessary action including those mentioned in sub regulation (2) herein or any other law dealing with salt.

(2) Subject to sub regulation (1) an inspector may take sample for laboratory analysis or other examination of iodated salt for the purpose of ensuring compliance.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub regulation 1 of this regulation, an inspector may examine or inspect permit, take legal action or any other action he deems fit against any holder of a permit for dealing with iodated salt who do not comply with the requirements made under these Regulations.

Penalties

9. Any person who contravenes the provisions of these Regulations, commits an offence under the Act and shall be penalised in accordance with the Act.

Compounding  
Offences

10. (1) The Director General or the Food Inspector may, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Act, where circumstances show that a person, corporate or unincorporated body has committed any offence against these regulations in respect to which he has showed willingness to pay a fine, compound such offence by accepting the fine in respect of which the offence has been committed.

(2) The Director General or an Inspector authorized to act on his behalf, before accepting a fine from the person referred under sub regulation (1) shall require such person to fill in a Compounding Form as set out in the Schedule to these Regulations

(3) Subject to the provisions establishing offences under these regulations no further criminal proceedings shall be taken by the Director General or Food Inspector against a person in respect of whom powers to compound offence has been exercised.

11. The Food (Control of Quality) Iodated Salt Regulations of 1994 are hereby revoked.

Revocation GN. No. 83 of 1994



**FIRST SCHEDULE**  
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**TFDA FORM No.....**



***COMPOUNDING OF OFFENCES FORM***

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