

*Statutory Instrument No. 102 of 2025*

**CONTROL OF GOODS, PRICES AND OTHER CHARGES ACT**  
(Cap. 43:08)

**CONTROL OF GOODS, PRICES AND OTHER CHARGES (RESTRICTION ON IMPORTATION OF PRE-PACKED CEMENT) (No. 3) REGULATIONS, 2025**  
(Published on 1st August, 2025)

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**SCHEDULE**

IN EXERCISE of powers conferred on the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship by section 3 of the Control of Goods, Prices and Other Charges Act, the following Regulations are hereby made —

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| Citation                                 | 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Control of Goods, Prices and Other Charges (Restriction on Importation of Pre-Packed Cement) (No. 3) Regulations, 2025.   |
| Interpretation                           | 2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —<br>“cement” means any fine powder that is made from the burning of limestone and other minerals, key ingredient in concrete and mortar acting as a binder to hold other material objects together;<br>“Director” means the Director for the Department responsible for Industry Development; and<br>“pre-packed cement” means any cement in packages of less than 1000kg. |
| Restriction on importation<br>Pre-packed | 3. (1) A person shall not import pre-packed cement unless he or she has been issued with a permit under these Regulations.<br>(2) Subregulation (1), shall not apply to any person who imports pre-packed cement in quantities of not more than 500kg, or 10 bags of 50kg each, for household use.   |
| Application for import permit            | 4. (1) Where there is a shortage of pre-packed cement, a person who wishes to import pre-packed cement in Botswana shall apply for a permit.<br>(2) An application for a permit to import pre-packed cement shall be —<br>(a) made to the Director in Form A set out in the Schedule; and<br>(b) accompanied by a non-refundable fee of P100 and such documents listed in Form A set out in the Schedule.                                  |

(3) Where the Director approves an application under subregulation (2), the applicant shall pay a permit fee of P1 000.

5. Where the Director is satisfied that there is a shortage of pre-packed cement in Botswana, the Director shall, within 10 days of receiving an application, issue to the applicant, a permit in Form B set out in the Schedule to the applicant, subject to such conditions as the Director may consider necessary.

Issue of import permit

6. A permit shall be valid for such period as may be specified in the permit, which period shall not exceed two months from the date of its issuance.

Period of validity of permit

7. Where an application for a permit is refused, the Director shall notify the applicant, in writing, stating the reasons for refusing the application.

Refusal to grant permit

8. A permit holder may, not later than three days before the expiry of the permit issued to the permit holder, apply for the renewal of the permit to the Director in Form A set out in Schedule.

Renewal of permit

9. The Director may, at any time, suspend or revoke a permit where the Director is satisfied that the permit holder has failed to comply with any provisions of these Regulations.

Suspension and revocation of permit

10. A person aggrieved by the refusal to issue a permit under regulation 5 may appeal to the Minister within 30 days of receiving the Director's decision.

Appeals against refusal to issue permit

11. Any person who contravenes any provision of these Regulations, commits an offence and shall be liable to the penalties specified under section 5 of the Act.

Penalties

12. The Control of Goods, Prices and Other Charges (Restriction on Importation of Pre-Packed Cement) Regulations, 2025 are hereby revoked.

Revocation of S.I. No. 5 of 2025

SCHEDULE  
FORM A

APPLICATION FOR AN IMPORT PERMIT  
(Reg. 4 (2) and 8)

1. Full names of applicant

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2. Physical address of applicant

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3. Postal address of applicant

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4. Trading licence number

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5. Permit is requested for importing the following –

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Specification of goods	Quantity of goods

6. Purpose for which goods are required

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7. Destination of goods

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8. Port of entry of the goods

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I certify that the information furnished in this application is correct in every respect and I undertake to comply with the conditions set out in the import once issued to me.

Date ..... Applicant's signature .....

- The applicant must submit the following with the application Form for import permit —
- (a) request letter to the Director stating the reasons of importing;
  - (b) copy of a valid trading licence;
  - (c) copy of a certified identity document/passport for non-citizen;
  - (d) copy of certificate of incorporation;
  - (e) upon expiry or full utilisation of the permit, the holder must return the permit to the Ministry;
  - (f) new applications will not be considered until the expired/utilised permit is returned; and
  - (g) an application fee of P100.

FORM B  
IMPORT PERMIT  
(Reg. 5)

Permit number .....

Permission is hereby granted to ..... of  
(applicant's address) ..... to import  
the following (*This applies ONLY to the goods whose details are cited on the Table below*)

FOR OFFICIAL USE BY CUSTOMS AND EXCISE OFFICIAL

Specification of Goods	Quantity	Goods Imported	Date	Name and Surname	Signature and Stamp

1. Port of Entry of goods .....

2. Destination of goods .....

Upon expiry or full utilisation of the permit, the holder must return this permit to the Director of the Department of Industry Development.

Date .....  
Director

This permit is valid for the period commencing..... to .....

MADE this 30th day of July, 2025.

TIROEAONE NTSIMA,  
*Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship.*