

THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



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President

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An Act to make provisions for the regulation and control of trade

ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania.

1. This Act may be cited as the Regulation of Trade Act, 1980, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Short title and commencement

2. In this Act unless the context requires otherwise-
"authorized trader" means any person or body of persons authorized under section 3 to sell designated goods and includes the servant or agent of that person or body of persons;
"designated goods" means goods designated under section 3 for any of the purposes of this Act;
"Minister" means the Minister for the time being responsible for trade.

Interpretation

3.-(1) Where in the opinion of the Minister, it is necessary or desirable in the public interest, to regulate or control the sale of any goods, he may, by Order published in the *Gazette*-

Regulation of sale of certain goods

- (a) designate any particular goods as being goods which may only be sold by such authorized traders as may be specified in the Order; or
- (b) prohibit the sale of any goods in any particular place or by any category of traders, as may be specified in the Order.

(2) Where the Minister has made an Order under this section, no person other than an authorized trader shall sell, offer for sale or display at his place of business any designated goods and, as the case may be, no person shall sell, offer for sale or display any goods in a place where the sale of those goods has been prohibited.

(3) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this section is guilty of an offence and shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine of not less than ten thousand shillings but not exceeding one hundred thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term of not less than one year but not exceeding fourteen years or to both that fine and imprisonment and the court may, in addition, order the goods to which the charge relates and held in stock by that person, to be forfeited.

Restriction
on sale of
designated
goods to
unauthorized
traders

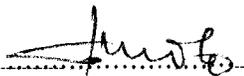
4.-(1) No person carrying on the business of selling goods by wholesale or of a distributor of goods shall sell or distribute to an unauthorized trader any goods which have been designated by the Minister under section 3.

(2) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this section is guilty of an offence and shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine of not less than twenty thousand shillings but not exceeding one hundred thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term of not less than two years but not exceeding fourteen years or to both that fine and imprisonment.

5. The Minister may make regulations for the better conduct of trade and may in particular make regulations-

- (a) regulating the conduct of any business of selling of goods, whether by wholesale or by retail;
- (b) providing for efficiency and fair distribution of goods or any category of goods.

Passed in the National Assembly on the sixteenth day of April, 1980.


Clerk of the National Assembly