

[LEGAL NOTICE NO. 32]

CUSTOMS ACT 1986

Customs (Prohibited Imports and Exports) (Amendment) Regulations 2021

IN exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 64 of the Customs Act 1986, I hereby make these Regulations—

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Customs (Prohibited Imports and Exports) (Amendment) Regulations 2021.

(2) These Regulations come into force on the date of publication in the Gazette.

(3) In these Regulations, the Customs (Prohibited Imports and Exports) Regulations 1986 is referred to as the “Principal Regulations”.

Schedule 1 amended

2. Schedule 1 to the Principal Regulations is amended in item 18 after “2005” by inserting “but not including any plastic bag exempted under section 45A(1)(a)(v) of that Act.”.

Schedule 2 amended

3. Schedule 2 to the Principal Regulations is amended by deleting item 15(a) and substituting the following—

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| <p>“15(a) (i) Non-biodegradable High and Low Density Plastic Bags, not prohibited under Schedule 1, of Polyethylene or of other Plastics.</p> | <p>The importer must produce to the Comptroller an import permit issued by the Director of Environment indicating that the item imported is used for the following purposes—</p> |
| <p>(ii) Non-biodegradable High and Low Density Plastics, not prohibited under Schedule 1, of Polyethylene or other Plastics in rolls or sheet.</p> | <p>(i) packaging or preserving food and beverages;</p> <p>(ii) for medical purposes, including for the packaging or preserving of medicine and pharmaceutical products;</p> <p>(iii) for the storage of evidence or human remains by the Fiji Police Force;</p> <p>(iv) for clinical waste;</p> <p>(v) for use in aquaculture, which includes pond liners;</p> <p>(vi) for use in agriculture, which includes the following—</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(A) protected cultivation films;</p> |

- (B) nets providing coverage from weather, sunlight, birds or insects;
 - (C) planter bags;
 - (D) compost sacks and bags;
 - (E) silage films; and
 - (F) soil fumigation films;
- (vii) for use in civil construction, including landfills;
 - (viii) for use wholly or as components for exports and/or re-exports; or
 - (ix) for processing, manufacturing and/or packing of exports and/or re-exports.”.

Made this 25th day of March 2021.

F. S. KOYA
Acting Minister for Economy
