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**Regulations made by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly under section 31 of the
Rodrigues Regional Assembly Act**

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PART I - PRELIMINARY

1. Short title

These regulations may be cited as the **Rodrigues Regional Assembly (Segregation and Collection of Waste) Regulations 2025**.

2. Interpretation

In these regulations -

"Act" means the Rodrigues Regional Assembly Act;

"authorised officer" means a police officer, a forest officer, an Enforcement Officer of the Environment Unit, a health officer or such other public officer as the Departmental Head may designate;

"Authority" means the Departmental Head of the Commission responsible for the subject of environment or such other officer as the Departmental Head may designate in writing;

"bulky waste" -

(a) means any waste that is too large to be collected as part of regular waste collection;
and

(b) includes old furniture, used tyres, mattresses, wood waste, broken bricks, broken tiles, debris, expired cement bags, gravels;

"civic amenity centre" means such place as the Commission responsible for the subject of environment may approve for the deposit of waste before transfer to a waste management facility;

"commercial waste" -

(a) means waste arising from premises used wholly or mainly for the purpose of trade, business, sport, recreation, entertainment, hospitality or the practice of religion; but

(b) does not include household waste and industrial waste;

"Commission" means the Commission responsible for the subject of environment;

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner to whom responsibility for the subject of environment is assigned;

"Court" means the District Court of Rodrigues;

"dispose or disposal" means -

(a) the deposit of waste into or onto land specifically designed for that purpose;

(b) incineration of waste; or

(c) export;

"Departmental Head" means the supervising officer of the Commission responsible for the subject of environment;

"Environment Division" means the office responsible for environmental matters of the Commission;

"extended producer responsibility" -

(a) means a system whereby the responsibility of a producer for a product or an importer of a product in Rodrigues is extended to the post-consumer stage of the life cycle of the product; and

(b) includes responsibility for -

(i) waste prevention or minimisation programmes;

(ii) the contribution to any fund established to promote the reduction, reuse, recycling and recovery of waste;

(iii) awareness programmes to inform the public of the impact of waste emanating from a product on health and the environment;

"food waste" means fruits and vegetables peelings, coffee filters, tea bags, egg shells, contaminated food or paper towels tainted with food traces or any food residues;

"forest officer" has the same meaning as in the Forest and Reserve Act;

"glass waste" means any glass product that is no longer being used and requires to be disposed of;

"green waste" means any plant-based waste that can be composted;

"harm"-

(a) means harm to the health of living organisms or any other interference with the ecological systems of which living organisms form part; and

(b) in relation to individuals, includes any damage caused to any of his senses or his property;

"hazardous waste" has the same meaning as in the Waste Management and Resource Recovery Act 2023;

"household waste" means waste arising from -

(a) a dwelling;

(b) buildings forming part of a university or school or any other educational establishment and meant for the purpose of living accommodation;

(c) street sweeping and cleaning of watercourses and public places;

"industrial waste" means waste arising from any premises -

(a) used for the purpose of, or in connection with, the provision to the public of transport services by land, air or water;

(b) used for the purpose of, or in connection with, the supply to the public of electricity;

(c) used for the purposes of, or in connection with, the provision to the public of postal or telecommunication services;

(d) forming part of a hospital, clinic or nursing home;

(e) involved in agricultural activities; and

(f) which require a licence to manufacture or process industrial products;

"person" includes an individual, company, corporation, organisation or association;

"receptacle" means any bin or recipient, whether fixed or movable designed to collect refuse;

"recycling" -

(a) means any recovery operation by which waste materials are reprocessed into materials or products, whether for the original or any other purpose, including the processing of organic material; but

(b) does not include energy recovery;

"reuse" -

(a) means reutilisation in the original form without any reprocessing; and

(b) includes checking, cleaning, repair or refurbishment;

"segregation at source" means the solid waste management practice of separating, at the point of origin, different materials found in solid waste for the purpose of promoting the recovery of resources for recycling;

"solid waste"-

(a) means household waste, industrial waste or commercial waste; and

(b) includes the following substances, and any combination thereof, which are discarded or intended to be discarded by any person or are accumulated or stored by any person

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(i) any undesirable or superfluous by-products;

(ii) the residue or remainder of any process or activity; and

(iii) any solid matter with water content not exceeding 70 per cent weight; but

(c) does not include hazardous waste;

"waste generator" means a person who produces waste;

"waste management facility" -

(a) means a site where waste is disposed of or treated; and

(b) includes a mobile or immobile waste treatment plant, waste sorting facility, waste storage facility, waste transfer facility or landfill site;

"waste management operator" means the operator of a waste management facility.

PART II - GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR WASTE SEGREGATION

3. Waste segregation and storage

- (1) Every generator of household waste shall deposit or cause to be deposited -
 - (a) any recyclable waste specified in Part I of the First Schedule in the receptacle or category of receptacle specified in Part II of that Schedule;
 - (b) any solid waste other than any such waste referred to in paragraph (a), in a trash bag in the receptacle or category of receptacle as specified in Part III of the First Schedule.

(2) Every generator of commercial and industrial waste shall, unless directed otherwise by the Authority, carry out waste segregation at source and deposit any solid waste as specified in paragraph (1).

4. Duty of waste generator

Every waste generator and every owner or occupier of a dwelling place shall -

- (a) on such days as the Authority or a contracted waste collector may specify, place the receptacles within the premises at a spot as close as possible and readily accessible to the vehicle that collects waste;
- (b) cover and protect the receptacles to prevent water intrusion or any other extraneous matter or from stray animals;
- (c) be responsible for the hygiene, and safekeeping of the receptacles;
- (d) mark and label the receptacles to assist the Authority in returning the receptacle to the same household from where it was collected;
- (e) acquire at his own costs, a new receptacle in case the receptacle provided by the Authority has been damaged or lost;
- (f) fill the receptacle up to a maximum weight of 25 kilogrammes;
- (g) fill all food waste into trash bags before depositing in the receptacle;
- (h) remove the receptacle after it has been emptied by the waste collector.

5. Bulky waste

- (1) No person shall deposit bulky waste in a receptacle.
- (2) Where a household generates bulky waste, it shall deposit the waste in such civic amenity centre as the Authority may designate.
- (3) Where a commercial or industrial activity generates bulky waste, it shall deposit the waste in such waste management facility as the Authority may designate.

(4) The Authority shall collect every bulky waste that results due to the passage of a cyclone.

6. Hazardous waste

(1) No person shall place any hazardous waste in a receptacle.

(2) Any generator of hazardous waste shall dispose of such waste in such manner as the Authority may direct.

7. Glass waste

No person shall place glass waste in any receptacle other than such receptacle as may be designated for that purpose at a civic amenity centre.

8. Green waste

No person shall place green waste in any receptacle other than such receptacle as may be designated for that purpose at a civic amenity centre.

9. Extended producer and importer responsibility

The responsibility of a producer or an importer of a product shall be extended to the post-consumer stage of the life cycle of the product and the producer and the importer –

- (a) shall take measures as the Commission may direct to reduce any potential impact of the product on the health of a person and/or the environment as directed by the Commission;
- (b) shall provide and place, at his own costs movable receptacles duly labelled for the deposit of specific solid waste, in every civic amenity centre and in any waste management facility;
- (c) shall dispose of the solid wastes in such manner as the Commission may approve.

10. Recycling of waste

The Commission may dispose of any waste in such manner as it deems appropriate, and may take such steps as it deems necessary for its processing, recycling or export.

11. Data collection

For the purpose of these regulations, the Authority may direct any producer or importer of a product, to provide, in writing, such information as it may require.

12. Payment of fee

For the purpose of removing of any kind of commercial or industrial waste, the Authority shall claim such fees as specified in the Second Schedule.

PART III – NOTICES, OFFENCES, FIXED PENALTY

13. Service of Notices

Where the authorised officer is of the opinion that the condition or location of a receptacle causes or may cause pollution, or constitutes or may constitute a threat to public health, he may cause a notice to be served on the occupier of the premises requiring him to -

- (a) segregate the waste as specified in regulation 3;
- (b) construct the receptacle with impervious material and that the receptacle should -
 - (i) be adequately ventilated;
 - (ii) be placed at proximity of the main entrance of the premises;
 - (iii) not be carried through the premises for the purpose of removing the waste or cleaning,

within 15 days of service of the notice.

14. Offences

(1) Any person who contravenes regulations 3(1)(a), (b), 4, 5, 7 and 8 shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 2,500 rupees.

(2) Any person who contravenes regulation 3(2), shall commit an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding 5,000 rupees.

(3) Any person who contravenes regulations 6 and 11 shall commit an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding 10,000 rupees.

(4) Any person who contravenes regulation 9(b) and (c) shall commit an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding 10,000 rupees and to a term of imprisonment of 2 years.

(5) Any person who fails to comply with the requirement of the notice issued under regulation 13 shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 2,500 rupees.

15. Fixed Penalty

(1) Where a person commits an offence specified in the Third Schedule, a police officer, a forest officer or an authorised officer who detects the offence shall immediately or within 14 days from the date of the offence serve a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) on that person calling upon him to pay, not later than 28 days after the date of the offence, the appropriate fine specified in that Schedule to the Court.

(2) The FPN shall be in the form set out in the Fourth Schedule and be drawn in quadruplicate.

(3) The officer who detects the offence shall

- (a) serve the original of the FPN on the offender;
- (b) forward one copy of the FPN to the Commissioner of Police or the Divisional Commander;
- (c) forward one copy to the Court; and
- (d) forward one copy to the Authority.

16. Payment of fixed penalty

A person who elects to accept a FPN pursuant to regulation 15 shall not later than 28 days after the date of the Offence -

- (a) attend the Court;
- (b) produce—
 - (i) the FPN;
 - (ii) his National Identity Card; and
- (c) pay the fine specified in the FPN.

17. Non-payment of the fixed penalty

Where a person who has been served with a notice under regulation 15 fails to pay the appropriate fine within the applicable time limit and criminal proceedings are instituted against him for the offence in respect of which he was served with the notice, he shall, notwithstanding anything contained in this regulation, be liable, on conviction, to a fine which shall not be less than twice the amount specified in the FPN.

PART IV - MISCELLANEOUS

18. Repeal

The Rodrigues Regional Assembly (Collection of Refuse) Regulations 2008 are repealed.

19. Commencement

These regulations shall come into force on 1 January 2026.

Made by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly on 10 June 2025.

FIRST SCHEDULE

[Regulation 3]

PART I

1. Empty drink cans
2. Empty food 'cans
3. Light and high density polyethylene items including bottles and containers
4. Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) bottles

PART II

Yellow receptacle

PART III

Blue receptacle

SECOND SCHEDULE

[Regulation 12]

FEES PER ANNUM

	(Rs)
Bakery	1,500
Banker (Branch)	10,000
Beauty saloon / Beauty parlor	1,000
Book seller, Librarian and/or Stationery shop	1,500
Bottler (non-alcoholic)	5,000
Butcher shop	5,000
Cinema Hall (Manager or owner)	5,000
Cold room	5,000
Cold storage	5,000
Dealer in electronic appliances and accessories	50,000
Dealer in imported green or dried fruit	1,000
Dealer in Leather and saddle	1,000
Dealer in new motor vehicles and new motor vehicle spare parts	5,000
Dealer in second hand vehicles and second hand vehicle spare parts	5,000
Distributors of beer, cider, rums and other alcoholic beverages and liquors	50,000
Distributors of non-alcoholic beverages	5,000
General Retailer (foodstuff, non-foodstuff, food stuff/non-foodstuff)	2,000
Hotels up to 25 rooms	30,000
Hotels above 25 rooms	50,000
Keeper boarding house	3,000
Manufacturer/sale/storage/packing and preparation of foodstuffs	3,000
Night club keeper	5,000

Restaurant	10,000
Restaurant/Night club	5,000
Retreading of tyres	10,000
Sales of poultry and eggs	2,000
Tin Smith	1,000
Tourist accommodation (gites, table d'hotes, chambre d'hotes)	8,000
Victualler	500
Warehouse	25,000
Wholesaler	10,000
Workshop bicycle, motor cycle and auto cycle	1,000
Workshop mechanical	5,000
Workshop metal welding	1,000
Slaughtering House	5,000

THIRD SCHEDULE

[Regulation 14]

FINE IN RESPECT OF FIXED PENALTY

	OFFENCE	(Rs)
1.	Failure to comply with the provisions of regulation 3(1)(a), (b), 4, 5, 7, 8	1,000
2.	Failure to comply with the provisions of regulation 3(2)	2,000
3.	Failure to comply with the provisions of regulation 6	5,000
4.	Failure to comply with the provisions of regulation 11	5,000

FOURTH SCHEDULE

[Regulation, 15 and 16]

FIXED PENALTY NOTICE

[issued under regulation 15 of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly (Segregation and Collection of Waste) Regulations 2025]

PART I

Fixed Penalty Notice no.....

Surname of offender.....

Name(s) of offender.....

Address.....

This is to bring to your attention that you have, today.....
(date) at..... (time) at.....
(place) committed the following

offence(s)-

OFFENCE	REGULATIONS	FINE (Rs)
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

You have to pay the abovementioned fine(s) at the District Court of Rodrigues at latest by(date), failing which you shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than twice the amount specified above for the offence.

You have to attend Court personally and produce the FPN, your original Business Registration Card* and National Identity Card or Passport in case you are not the holder of a National Identity Card.

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Name of Issuing Officer

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Signature of Issuing Officer

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Name of offender

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Signature of offender

PART II
IN THE DISTRICT COURT RODRIGUES
PARTICULARS OF OFFENDER
(to be filled in by District Court Officer)

National Identity Card no./Passport no *

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Business Registration no.**

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Date of payment

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Signature of offender

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Name of District Court Officer

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Signature of District Court Officer

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Office stamp

*Delete as appropriate