

**RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY (CONSUMER PROTECTION - FIXING OF PRICE OF FISH)
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**(Regulations made by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly under Sections 26 and 31 &
items 8 and 16 of the fourth schedule of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly Act 2001)**

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1. Short title

These regulations may be cited as the **Rodrigues Regional Assembly (Consumer protection - Fixing of price of fish) Regulations 2008**.

2. Interpretation

In these regulations:-

"authorised officer" means -

- (a) officers of the Consumer Protection and/or Fisheries Protection cadre; or
- (b) a police officer;

"chilled fish" means fish which is preserved at low temperature without freezing;

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

"fresh fish" means fish freshly taken from the in-lagoon of Rodrigues;

"guttled fish" means fish from which the guts have been removed.

3. Retail Price of Fish

The maximum retail price at which fresh or chilled or gutted fish may be sold shall be as specified in the Schedule.

4. Offences and Penalties

Any person who sells or supplies fresh or chilled or gutted fish at a price higher than that which has been fixed shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding Rs 10,000.

5. Inspection and seizure

- (1) An authorised officer may seize any fish which he has reasonable cause to believe may be the subject matter of an offence under these regulations.
- (2) An authorised officer may at all reasonable times enter any premises or place where anything is done in connection with the trade of fish.

6. Amendment of Schedule

- (1) Notwithstanding any enactment, the Commissioner may submit recommendations for approval to the Executive Council of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly to:-
 - (a) amend the schedule, in particular to re-categorise, add or delete, from time to time, the different species of fish as provided for in the schedule, as is deemed fit;
 - (b) amend the maximum retail price at which each species is sold.
- (2) When the Executive Council so approves an amendment under section 6(1) above, the Commissioner shall sign to this effect, a notice which shall be published in the Government Gazette and in the local press in Rodrigues.

- (3) The said notice shall come into force immediately upon the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.
- (4) The said notice shall be tabled at the earliest sitting of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly following its publication.

7. Consequential amendment

The Rodrigues (Fresh and Chilled Fish) (Maximum Price) Regulations 2003 are revoked.

- 8.** Passed by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly on 26 February 2008.