

BELIZE:

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (OZONE LAYER
PROTECTION) REGULATIONS, 2025**

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REGULATIONS made by the Minister responsible for the environment, after consultation with the Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 7 of the Environmental Protection Act, Chapter 328 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020, and all other powers thereunto him enabling.

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PART I

Preliminary

1. These Regulations may be cited as the

Citation.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (OZONE LAYER PROTECTION) REGULATIONS, 2025.

2. In these Regulations—

Interpretation.

“Act” means the Environmental Protection Act;

CAP. 328.

“air” means the unconfined portion of the atmosphere excluding any structure or underground space;

“approved cylinder” means a refillable container that is designed specifically for containing controlled substances;

“ARI Colour Code” means the colour assigned by the United States of America Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute under the voluntary industry guidelines for uniform

assignment of colours for containers used for new or reclaimed refrigerants that meet the Institute's standard seven hundred purity specifications;

“ASHRAE number” means the numbering system developed by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers, which is commonly used to identify and classify refrigerants;

“atmosphere” means the layer of air surrounding the earth;

Schedule I.

“CFC” means any chlorofluorocarbons specified in Part I of Schedule I or any mixture of such chlorofluorocarbons;

“Chief Environmental Officer” means the Chief Environmental Officer appointed in accordance with section 3 (2) of the Act;

Schedule II.

“controlled substance” means a substance listed in Schedule II, be it virgin, used, recycled or reclaimed, whether existing alone or in a mixture, and includes the isomers of any such substance, except for a mixture which is in a manufactured product other than a container used for the transportation or storage of that substance;

“Convention” means the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer, adopted on 22 March 1985, and includes any amendments to, or substitutions of, that convention that are, or will become, binding on Belize from time to time;

“CO₂ eq” means carbon dioxide equivalent which is a metric measure used to compare emissions from various greenhouse gases on the basis of their global warming potential by converting amounts of other gases to the equivalent amount of carbon dioxide;

“fire extinguishing equipment” means a fire extinguishing unit or system, whether portable or fixed, that contains a controlled substance;

“Halons” means any substance listed in Part 2 of Schedule I; Schedule I.
Schedule II.

“HCFC” means any substance listed in Part 1 of Schedule II; Schedule II.

“HFC” means any substance listed in Part 2 of Schedule II; Schedule II.

“Kigali Amendment” means the Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, 1987 (Protocol to the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer, 1985);

“licensee” means a person who is granted a licence under Part IV;

“manufacture” means, in relation to any controlled substance, the process of creating a controlled substance but excludes any process which cleans or reclaims a bulk controlled substance;

“Montreal Protocol” or “Protocol” means the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer 1985 and includes any amendments to, or substitutions of that Protocol that are, or will become, binding on Belize from time to time, such as the Kigali Amendment;

“non-complying country” means–

- (a) any country that is not a party to the Montreal Protocol; or
- (b) a country that has not been determined, in accordance with the Montreal Protocol, to be a country that is in full compliance with Articles 2, 2A to 2J, and 4 of that Protocol, and any certificate given by the Minister of Foreign Affairs to the effect that any country is or is not a complying country is conclusive evidence of that fact;

“ODS” means the ozone-depleting substances, which are chemicals that damage the ozone layer, including substances like chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs);

“owner” means in respect of air conditioning or refrigeration equipment, or fire extinguishing equipment, a person who has care, control or management of such equipment;

“ozone” means the allotropic form of oxygen containing three atoms in the molecule and located in the upper region of the atmosphere known as the stratosphere;

“pre-polymers” means a reactive mixture of isocyanate and polyol to which chlorofluorocarbons are added to make rigid plastic foams;

Schedule I.

“prohibited substance” means any substance listed in Schedule I;

“reclaim” means returning a recovered substance to the supplier or manufacturer so that it may be restored to its original specifications as verified by laboratory analysis;

“recover” means the collection of a substance in an approved cylinder outside the system from which it was removed;

“recycle” means, with respect to a recovered controlled substance, to purify the substance so that it may be reused and to restore it to air conditioning or refrigeration equipment or fire extinguishing equipment for reuse;

“refrigerant-based equipment” means a stationary or a mobile device used for domestic or industrial purposes, designed to contain and use refrigerant gas to establish or maintain colder than ambient temperatures in a confined space and includes, but is not limited to, household refrigerators and freezers,

retail food refrigeration equipment, air conditioning units of all sizes and uses, and cold storage warehouses;

“reuse” means returning a recovered substance to the equipment from which it was recovered after completion of repairs or service without any prior cleaning;

“servicing” means the act of repairing, maintaining or adjusting a component of fire extinguishing, air conditioning or refrigeration equipment where the component, or parts attached thereto, contains a controlled substance;

“tranship” means the transfer over land of controlled substances, mixtures of such substances or refrigerant-based equipment from the port of entry to another port in the country for due exportation or for entry into a duty-free zone, where the goods are unloaded from one means of transport and uploaded into another; and

“transit” means the transfer over land of controlled substances, mixtures of such substances, or refrigerant-based equipment from the port of entry to another port in the country for due exportation or for entry into a duty-free zone, where the goods remain on board the original means of transport.

PART II

Prohibited and Controlled Substances

3.-(1) The manufacture of all substances listed in Schedule I is prohibited.

(2) The manufacture of controlled substances listed in Schedule II is prohibited, except under a licence issued by the Chief Environmental Officer in accordance with Part IV, and solely for the purpose of research or academic instruction, in quantities not exceeding one kilogram of the substance in a twelve-month period.

Prohibition from manufacture of prohibited and controlled substances.

Schedule I.
Schedule II.

Prohibition from sale of prohibited and controlled substances.

Schedule I.
Schedule II.

4.-(1) The sale of all substances listed in Schedule I is prohibited.

(2) The sale of controlled substances listed in Schedule II is prohibited, except under a licence issued by the Chief Environmental Officer in accordance with Part IV.

Prohibition from sale of certain goods.

Schedule III.

5. The sale of any of the following goods is prohibited—

- (a) any dry-cleaning machine that contains or is designed to use any prohibited substance as a solvent;
- (b) any aerosol spray that contains any prohibited substance;
- (c) any plastic foam, or any goods that contain any plastic foam, specified in Schedule III and manufactured using CFC; and
- (d) any fire extinguisher that contains any CFC, halon, carbon tetrachloride, or methyl chloroform.

Prohibition from importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of prohibited substances.
Schedule I.

6.-(1) The importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of substances listed in Schedule I is prohibited.

(2) The prohibition under sub-regulation (1) applies to personal and household effects.

(3) Any person who contravenes this regulation commits an offence and the prohibited substances or the mixtures of such substances that are the basis of the offence shall be confiscated and shall be disposed of in such manner as the Chief Environmental Officer may direct, and such person is liable on summary conviction to—

- (a) a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars;
- (b) imprisonment for a period not exceeding twelve months; or
- (c) to both such fine and term of imprisonment.

7. The importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of all controlled substances listed in Schedule II is restricted and shall not be permitted to enter Belize except where a licence is obtained in accordance with Part IV.

Restriction.
Schedule II.

8.-(1) The importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of the following goods are hereby prohibited—

Prohibition
from
importation,
exportation,
transshipment,
and transit of
certain goods.

- (a) any aerosol spray that contains any prohibited substance other than methyl bromide or an HFC;
- (b) any plastic foam, or any goods that contain any plastic foam, specified in Schedule III that is or are manufactured using any CFC;
- (c) any dry-cleaning machine that contains or is designed to use any prohibited substance other than an HFC as a solvent;
- (d) any fire extinguisher that contains any prohibited substance other than an HFC;
- (e) any goods specified in sub-regulation (2) that contain any controlled substances other than an HCFC, an HFC, or methyl bromide; and
- (f) any dehumidifier, refrigerator, freezer, air conditioner, supermarket display case, heat pump, or water cooler that contains or is

Schedule III.

designed to use any controlled substance listed in Schedule II.

Schedule II.

(2) The importation of the following goods from a non-complying country is prohibited—

- (a) refrigerators and freezers;
- (b) dehumidifiers and domestic and commercial refrigeration air conditioning and heat pump equipment;
- (c) air conditioning and heat pump units;
- (d) automobile and truck air conditioning units, whether incorporated in vehicles or not;
- (e) ice machines and water coolers;
- (f) aerosol products other than medical aerosols;
- (g) portable fire extinguishers;
- (h) insulation boards, panels, and pipe covers; and
- (i) pre-polymers.

(3) The prohibitions under this regulation apply to personal and household effects.

(4) Sub-regulations (1) and (3) are subject to regulations 9 and 10.

Exception for packaging of goods.

9. Notwithstanding regulations 7 and 8, a person may import, export, tranship, or transit any controlled substance, or any goods containing any controlled substance that is used only as part of the packaging of any other imported goods.

10. The following exemptions may be given in accordance with a permit granted by the Chief Environmental Officer for that purpose—

Exemptions on certain imports.

- (a) a quarantine and pre-shipment permit for the importation of methyl bromide;
- (b) a human health or safety permit for the importation of any prohibited substance or any goods containing a controlled substance; or
- (c) an HFC permit for the importation of bulk HFC, whether alone or in a mixture.

11. Subject to regulation 12, the importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of equipment listed in Schedule IV is prohibited.

Prohibition of equipment in Schedule IV.

12. Regulation 11 shall not apply to the importation of—

Exemption from prohibition under regulation 11.

- (a) CFC-based propellants in metered dose inhalers for medical use; and
- (b) methyl bromide for its use as an insecticide in the agriculture sector.

13.—(1) Owners or importers of any vehicle whose air conditioning system is charged with CFC-12 or a mixture of CFC-12 shall, before any such vehicle is allowed to enter into Belize at any of Belize's borders or entry points, cause any such vehicle to be retrofitted with a non-Ozone Depleting Substance, or cause the air conditioning system of any such vehicle to be permanently disabled, before the Department of Customs and Excise releases the vehicle for entry into Belize.

Requirement for retrofitting.

CAP. 149.01.

(2) Any retrofitting required by sub-regulation (1) shall be carried out by a refrigeration technician who is duly licensed under the Refrigeration Technicians (Licensing) Act, and shall be at the expense of the owner or importer of the vehicle.

Schedule V.

(3) Where any retrofit is done pursuant to this regulation, a certificate shall be issued by the retrofitter in the form set out in Schedule V.

PART III

Registration of Persons Who Intend to Manufacture, Sell, Import, Export, Tranship, or Transit Any Controlled Substances etc.

Compulsory registration.

14. Every person shall submit an application for registration to the Chief Environmental Officer, in accordance with regulation 15, if that person intends to—

- (a) manufacture, sell, import, export, tranship, or transit any controlled substances or mixtures of such substances; or
- (b) subject to regulation 20, import, export, tranship, or transit refrigerant-based equipment.

Application for registration.

Schedule VI.

15.—(1) Any person who is required by regulation 14 to be registered shall submit a duly completed application in the form set out in Schedule VI.

(2) The applicant shall—

- (a) satisfy the Chief Environmental Officer that the applicant is a person of good character and reputation to operate;

- (b) pay a non-refundable application fee of one thousand dollars; and
- (c) fulfil any other requirement or provide further information relating to registration as determined by the Chief Environmental Officer.

(3) In determining whether the applicant is a person of good character and reputation to operate, the Chief Environmental Officer may consider—

- (a) the applicant's history of compliance with laws relating to the manufacture, sale, importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of controlled substances, mixtures of such substances or refrigerant-based equipment, as the case may be;
- (b) that the applicant is in possession of a Certificate of Good Standing from the Belize Companies and Corporate Affairs Registry, if applicable; and
- (c) any other relevant factor that the Chief Environmental Officer may consider.

(4) The Chief Environmental Officer shall consider all applications for registration submitted and make any of the following determinations—

- (a) approve the registration subject to the terms and conditions as may be required by the Department of the Environment;
- (b) refuse to approve the registration; or

- (c) request the applicant to provide additional information.

Certificate of registration.

Schedule VII.

16.-(1) Where the Chief Environmental Officer approves an application in accordance with regulation 15(4)(a), the Chief Environmental Officer shall issue a certificate of registration to the applicant in the form specified in Schedule VII.

(2) The certificate of registration shall be valid for a term of twelve months beginning on the 1st day of April and expiring on the 31st day of March of the following year.

(3) A person who is issued a certificate of registration shall—

- (a) display the certificate of registration in a conspicuous place at the business establishment of that person;
- (b) comply with the licensing requirements for the manufacture, sale, importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of controlled substances and mixtures of these substances, as well as the importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of refrigerant-based equipment;
- (c) comply with the labelling requirements set out in these Regulations;
- (d) establish and implement good storage and handling practices;
- (e) allow and facilitate any inspection by the Department; and
- (f) comply with any reporting, inspection, or related requirements from the Department.

17. The Chief Environmental Officer may, by notice in writing, cancel or revoke the certificate of registration of a registered person if satisfied that that person—

Cancellation or revocation of registration.

- (a) has failed to comply with any of the requirements of regulation 16(3);
- (b) has ceased to operate; or
- (c) provided false or misleading information in relation to the application.

18.—(1) An person who is registered in accordance with regulation 16, may apply for renewal of registration at any time before or at the expiration of the period of registration.

Renewal of registration.

(2) The application for renewal shall meet the requirements and conditions established in regulation 15, and the applicant shall—

- (a) provide an update to any information previously provided; and
- (b) pay the corresponding application fee referred to in regulation 15(2)(b).

19.—(1) Where the Chief Environmental Officer refuses to approve an application for registration, the Chief Environmental Officer shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal.

Refusal to register.

(2) An applicant who is aggrieved by a refusal of the Chief Environmental Officer to approve an application may, within fourteen days from the date of receipt of the notification, appeal to the Minister in writing for a revision of the decision of the Chief Environmental Officer, and the decision of the Minister shall be final.

Exemption
from
application.

20.—(1) A person may import, export, tranship, or transit up to two units of refrigerant-based equipment for household use, including air conditioners, refrigerators or freezers, without a certificate of registration or licence, if that person obtains written approval from the Chief Environmental Officer and pays an application fee of twenty-five dollars.

(2) The written approval referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall be subject to the conditions that the Chief Environmental Officer determines fit and shall be for a single use.

(3) Written approvals issued by the Chief Environmental Officer shall be valid for thirty calendar days from the date of issuance of the approval.

Duty to keep a
Register.

21.—(1) The Chief Environmental Officer shall establish and maintain a Register of persons who manufacture, sell, import, export, tranship, or transit any controlled substances and who import, export, tranship, or transit refrigerant-based equipment, which shall include—

- (a) the name of the person;
- (b) the registered business address;
- (c) the date of registration; and
- (d) any other information directed or required by the Chief Environmental Officer.

(2) The Register shall be stored in digital or other secure form that ensures the integrity of the information and is capable of accurate reproduction in written form.

(3) A printed updated copy of the Register shall be kept at the Department and made available for inspection by any person.

22. The Chief Environmental Officer may remove the name of a registered person if—

Removal of name from the Register.

- (a) the person ceases to manufacture, sell, import, export, tranship, or transit any controlled substance or any mixture of such substances or refrigerant-based equipment, as the case may be; or
- (b) the certificate of registration of that person is not renewed after expiration, or is revoked in accordance with regulation 17.

PART IV

Application Procedure for a Licence

23. Any person who intends to manufacture, sell, import, export, tranship, or transit any controlled substance or mixtures of such substances, or, subject to regulation 20, to import, export, tranship, or transit any refrigerant-based equipment shall first hold a certificate of registration, issued by the Chief Environmental Officer in accordance with regulation 16, before applying for a licence under this Part.

Persons to hold certificate of registration before applying for a licence.

24.—(1) All applications for a licence shall be accompanied by—

Application for a licence.

- (a) a material safety data sheet;
- (b) a copy of invoice, pro forma, or quotation for the items proposed to be imported;
- (c) the customs export declaration form for items intended to be exported, transhipped or transited through Belize; and

Schedule XII.

(d) the applicable fee as listed in Schedule XII.

(2) An application for a licence to manufacture, sell, import, export, tranship, or transit any controlled substances or mixtures of such substances or to import, export, tranship, or transit any refrigerant-based equipment shall be made prior to the intended date of any transaction involving the said substance, mixture, or refrigerant-based equipment.

(3) Any person who manufactures, sells, imports, exports, tranships, or transits any controlled substance or mixtures of such substances or imports, exports, tranships, or transits any refrigerant-based equipment without a licence commits an offence.

Form of application.

25.—(1) An application for a licence to manufacture, sell, import, export, tranship, or transit any controlled substance or mixtures of such substances shall be in the form set out in Schedule VIII.

Schedule VIII.

(2) An application for a licence to import, export, tranship, or transit any refrigerant-based equipment shall be in the form set out in Schedule IX.

Schedule IX.

Requirements for grant of licence.

26.—(1) The Chief Environmental Officer may grant a licence if satisfied that the applicant—

- (a) and the employees of the applicant have attained the requisite level of training in handling and transporting controlled substances and mixtures of these substances or refrigerant-based equipment; and
- (b) is a fit and proper person to carry out the operations for which the licence is sought.

(2) In determining whether the applicant is a fit and proper person, the Chief Environmental Officer may consider—

- (a) the applicant’s history of compliance with laws relating to the importation, exportation, transshipment and transit of controlled substances, mixtures of such substances and refrigerant-based equipment;
- (b) that the applicant is in possession of a Certificate of Good Standing from the Belize Companies and Corporate Affairs Registry; and
- (c) any other relevant factor that the Chief Environmental Officer may consider.

27.-(1) A licence granted under these Regulations shall be in the form prescribed in Schedule X.

Form and duration of a licence. Schedule X.

(2) A licence shall be for a single manufacture, sale, importation, exportation, transshipment, or transit and shall be valid for thirty days commencing on the date of issuance of the licence.

28. A licensee shall-

Duty of licensees.

- (a) keep records of imports, exports, transshipments, and transits of controlled substances or mixtures of such substances, as well as refrigerant-based equipment;
- (b) comply with the licensing requirements for the importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of controlled substances and mixtures of such substances, as well as refrigerant-based equipment;
- (c) comply with the labelling requirements set out in these Regulations;

- (d) establish and implement good storage and handling practices in the business establishment;
- (e) allow and facilitate any inspection by the Department;
- (f) submit to the Department the relevant reports required under Part X; and
- (g) comply with any other reporting, inspection or related requirements or conditions from the Department.

Refusal to
grant a licence.

29.—(1) The Chief Environmental Officer may refuse to grant a licence if satisfied that the applicant—

- (a) does not meet the requirements of regulation 26;
- (b) is not a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

(2) Where the Chief Environmental Officer refuses to grant a licence, the Chief Environmental Officer shall inform the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal.

(3) An applicant who is aggrieved by a refusal of the Chief Environmental Officer to approve an application for a licence may, within fourteen days from the date of receipt of the notification, apply to the Minister in writing for a revision of the decision of the Chief Environmental Officer, and the decision of the Minister shall be final.

Suspension or
revocation of
licence.

30.—(1) The Chief Environmental Officer may, by notice in writing to the licensee, suspend or revoke a licence if satisfied that the licensee—

- (a) has not complied with or is not complying with the terms and conditions set out in the provisions of these Regulations;
 - (b) has committed any other offence involving controlled substances;
 - (c) is not operating for the purposes for which the licence was granted;
 - (d) has provided false or misleading information in relation to an application for registration or a licence; or
 - (e) has ceased to operate.
- (2) A notice issued under this regulation shall specify—
- (a) the reasons for the suspension or revocation;
 - (b) the date on which the suspension or revocation takes effect; and
 - (c) in the case of suspension, the date on which, or the event in relation to which, the suspension may cease to have effect.

(3) A person whose licence has been suspended or revoked in accordance with this regulation shall surrender the licence to the Department immediately, and in any event, not later than seven days from the date of receipt of the notice, whether or not the suspension or revocation is subject to any appeal.

PART V

Operating in Free Zones

Operating in
free zones.

31.—(1) Any person operating in any free zone in Belize who intends to manufacture, sell, import, export, tranship, or transit any controlled substances or mixtures of such substances, shall apply to the Chief Environmental Officer for—

- (a) registration in accordance with Part III; and
- (b) a licence to import, export, tranship, or transit such controlled substances in the form prescribed in Schedule VIII in accordance with Part IV.

Schedule VIII.

(2) A person operating in any free zone in Belize who intends to import, export, tranship, or transit any refrigerant-based equipment shall apply to the Chief Environmental Officer for—

- (a) registration in accordance with Part III; and
- (b) a licence to import, export, tranship, or transit such refrigerant-based equipment in the form prescribed in Schedule IX in accordance with Part IV.

Schedule IX.

(3) An application made under sub-regulations (1) and (2) shall be accompanied by the corresponding fee listed in Schedule XIII.

Schedule XIII.

PART VI

Terms and Conditions for a Licence

- 32.**—(1) The Chief Environmental Officer shall issue licences for the manufacture, sale, importation, exportation, transshipment, and transit of controlled substances based on the national quotas established by the Department in accordance with the requirements of the Convention and Protocol. National quota.
- (2) The total yearly national quota for HCFC and HFC consumption shall be that established in Schedule XI, and the total quantity issued by the Department through licences shall not exceed this threshold. Schedule XI.
- 33.** A licence issued by the Chief Environmental Officer in accordance with these Regulations shall be non-transferable. Licence shall be non-transferable.
- 34.** In the event of a disaster or national emergency, the Government of Belize may directly import any controlled substances or mixtures of such substances, and such quantities shall be deducted from the yearly national quota for the particular controlled substances or mixtures of such substances. Circumstances under which Government may directly import.
- 35.** A licence shall be valid only for the quantities and types of controlled substances or mixtures that are specified in the licence. Licence valid only for the quantity specified.
- 36.** The licensee shall obtain the relevant permits and licences from all relevant authorities for carrying out their activities and shall comply with all conditions and covenants stipulated by such authorities. Licensee to obtain other permits from relevant authorities.

PART VII

Labelling

Labelling requirements for retail containers containing controlled substances.

37.-(1) Subject to sub-regulation (2), the labelling of retail containers containing any controlled substances or mixtures of such substances shall conform to the requirements of the Standards (Belize National Standard BZSI: Part 2: 1998) (Specification For Labelling - Labelling of Pre-Packaged Goods) (Declaration as a Compulsory Standard) Order.

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Edn. CAP. 295
p.78.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation (1), the labelling shall provide the following-

- (a) name of the ODS content, chemical name, and ASHRAE number;
- (b) net weight of the ODS content including mixtures;
- (c) country of origin of the shipment;
- (d) contact information of the manufacturer;
- (e) brand name;
- (f) country of origin of producer or supplier, as the case may be;
- (g) the address, telephone number and other contact information of the producer or supplier, as the case may be; and
- (h) if the HFC-based equipment is pre-charged-
 - (i) the name of the controlled substance, including content, group name, the chemical name, and ASHRAE number;

- (ii) the net weight of the controlled substance;
and
- (iii) the type and amount of oil.

38.—(1) Any person offering a refrigerant-based equipment for sale shall label that refrigerant-based equipment or air-conditioning equipment in accordance with the Standards (Belize National Standard BZSI: Part 2: 1998) (Specification For Labelling - Labelling Of Pre-Packaged Goods) (Declaration as a Compulsory Standard) Order.

Labelling
requirements
for refrigerant-
based
equipment.

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(2) Refrigerant-based equipment that is serviced or retrofitted, shall contain the information specified in regulation 37(2) and a label that lists—

- (a) the amount of controlled substance or mixture of such substances charged in the system;
- (b) the ARI Colour Code or colour sticker of the controlled substance or mixture of such substances contained within the system;
- (c) the unique licence number of the technician, issued under the Refrigeration Technicians (Licensing) Act; and
- (d) the date of the service or the retrofit.

CAP. 149.01.

(3) The label referred to in this regulation shall be of a durable nature and shall be placed next to the access port on the condensing unit, and next to the process line of the compressor of the air conditioning equipment to ensure its easily accessible location.

39. The labels referred to in this Part shall be in the English language, and if the label is in any other language, such label

Language
requirements
for labels.

shall be accompanied by a true and accurate translation in the English language.

Penalty for
contravention
of this Part.

40. A person who contravenes this Part commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars, or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding three years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

PART VIII

Prohibitions

Prohibited
actions.

41. The following shall be prohibited—

- (a) the re-filling or recharging of equipment originally charged with refrigerant 134a and with CFC1-12;
- (b) the re-charging of air conditioning units of vehicles, originally charged with refrigerant 134a and with CFC1-12;
- (c) the importation of CFCs;
- (d) the importation of CFC-11;
- (e) the importation of Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and equipment or parts containing CFCs;
- (f) the use of non-refillable refrigerant cylinders for the purpose of recovery of refrigerant gases;
- (g) the importation or sale of any refrigerant canisters or cylinders with valves other than checked valves; and

- (h) the conversion or retrofitting of a non-HCFC or a non-HFC-based equipment to enable it to use HCFC or HFC gas.

PART IX

Offences

42. Any person who wilfully discharges prohibited or controlled substances, or mixtures of these substances into the atmosphere commits an offence.

Prohibition from wilful discharge of prohibited or controlled substances.

43.—(1) Except as otherwise provided, any person who contravenes the provisions of these Regulations commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

General penalty.

(2) Any controlled substance in connection with any offence referred to in sub-regulation (1) may be forfeited and disposed of in such manner as the Chief Environmental Officer may direct.

(3) Where an offence under these Regulations is committed or continued on more than one day, the person who is convicted of committing the offence is liable to be convicted for a separate count for each day on which the offence is committed or continued, and is liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for each day on which the offence is committed or continued.

44. Any person who receives or is found in possession of any controlled substance or mixture of such substances or any refrigerant-based equipment without the requisite licence from the Chief Environmental Officer, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding

Unlawful possession of controlled substances, mixtures, or refrigerant-based equipment.

ten thousand dollars, or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding three years, or to both such fine and term of imprisonment, and the substances, mixtures or equipment and any vehicle, vessel, or equipment associated with the offence is liable to forfeiture.

Aiding and
abetting.

45. Any person who aids or abets any other person who commits an offence under these Regulations is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or to both such fine and term of imprisonment.

Additional
Offences.

46. Any person who—

- (a) fails to manage any controlled substance in accordance with any licence or lawful instruction of the Department or manages any controlled substances contrary to these Regulations; or
- (b) knowingly or fraudulently mislabels any prohibited or controlled substance, refrigerant-based equipment, cylinder or canister,

commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years.

PART X

Miscellaneous

Duty to keep
records.

47.—(1) A person who manufactures, sells, imports, exports, tranships, or transits controlled substances or mixtures of such substances shall keep records of their manufacture, sales, imports, exports, transhipments, and transits and shall submit to the Department biannual reports of the total quantity of controlled substances or mixtures of such substances, as well

as refrigerant-based equipment that such person imported, exported, transited, or transhipped for the period immediately preceding the date of the report.

(2) The reports referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall be in the form prescribed in Schedule XIV and such reports are due on June 30th and December 31st of every year for the period immediately preceding the report.

Schedule XIV.

48.-(1)Refrigeration technicians who use controlled substances or mixtures of such substances shall keep records of the quantity of controlled substances or mixtures of such substances which they purchase or otherwise acquire, as well as the quantity of these substances or their mixtures which they use or which they keep, and shall submit quarterly reports to the Department of the total quantities of such substances or their mixtures.

Duty of refrigeration technicians to keep records.

(2) The reports referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall be in the form prescribed in Schedule XV and such reports are due on March 31st, June 30th, September 30th and December 31st every year for the period immediately preceding the report.

Schedule XV.

49. The transshipment or transit through Belize of any controlled substance or mixture of such substances shall not be recorded as imports into Belize for the purposes of the country’s reporting obligations under the Montreal Protocol.

Transshipment and transit not to be recorded as imports.

50.-(1)The Chief Environmental Officer or any officer designated by the Chief Environmental Officer may visit and inspect the business establishment and import or export operations of the licensee at any time for the purposes of ensuring compliance with the provisions of the Act or these Regulations.

Inspections.

(2) The licensee shall allow and facilitate any inspection by the Chief Environmental Officer, or any officer designated

by the Chief Environmental Officer and shall make available for such inspection all records requested by the officers.

Duty to notify the Department of any discharge.

51. Any person who discharges, whether wilfully or accidentally, any prohibited or controlled substance or mixtures of such substances, shall immediately report the matter to the Department.

Notice to clean up the environment.

52.—(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Regulations, the Department may, by notice in writing, direct the following persons to take clean-up actions or undertake other measures as specified in the notice—

- (a) the owner, occupier, or agent of any premises upon or from which a discharge of prohibited or controlled substance or mixtures of such substances has occurred or been permitted to occur;
- (b) the person who has caused or permitted the discharge any prohibited or controlled substance or mixtures of such substances to occur;
- (c) any person who appears to have abandoned or dumped any prohibited or controlled substance or mixtures of such substances; and
- (d) any person who is handling any prohibited or controlled substance or mixtures of such substances in a manner which is likely to cause an environmental damage.

(2) The Department may specify in the notice under sub-regulation (1) any condition, requirements, restriction, performance, standard, or level that it thinks fit, including a condition or requirement that—

- (a) things specified in the notice are to be done to the satisfaction of the Department;
- (b) things specified in the notice are to be done immediately or by a specified date, or within any period specified in the notice;
- (c) clean-up measures are to be carried out, and the manner of carrying out such measures by a specified date, or within any period specified in the notice; and
- (d) any measurement, recording, sample, report, plan, drawing, document, calculation, test, analysis, or thing be lodged with the Department or be approved by the Department before any clean-up measures or things specified in the notice are carried out.

53.-(1)Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Regulations, where—

- (a) prohibited or controlled substances or mixtures of such substances have been or are being discharged;
- (b) a condition of pollution is likely to arise;
- (c) any prohibited or controlled substances or mixtures of such substances appears to have been abandoned or dumped; or
- (d) any prohibited or controlled substances or mixtures of such substances is being handled in a manner which is likely to cause an environmental damage,

Abatement
of discharge
of prohibited
or controlled
substances.

the Department may conduct a clean-up or cause a clean-up to be conducted as the Department considers necessary.

(2) The Department may recover any reasonable costs incurred by the Department, in taking any action under sub-regulation (1), from the person who caused the action to be taken or the occupier of the premises on which anything referred to in sub-regulation (1) has occurred, in any court of competent jurisdiction as a debt due to the Department and when recovered must be paid into the Environmental Management Fund established under the Act.

(3) If the Department cannot recover costs under sub-regulation (2) from the occupier of the premises on which anything referred to in sub-regulation (1) has occurred because the occupier cannot be found, the costs shall become a charge on the property of the occupier after an advertisement has been published three times in a newspaper of national circulation.

(4) The advertisement shall specify—

- (a) the purpose of the advertisement and the provision of these Regulations under which it is made; and
- (b) the amount in respect of which the charge is to be imposed; and
- (c) the land on which the charge is to be imposed.

54.—(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Regulations, if an authorised officer is of the opinion that there is or is likely to be imminent danger to life or limb or to the environment and if—

- (a) prohibited or controlled substances or mixtures of such substances have been or are being discharged;

Special powers
of authorised
officers.

- (b) a condition of pollution is likely to arise;
- (c) prohibited or controlled substances or mixtures of such substances have been abandoned or dumped; or
- (d) prohibited or controlled substances or mixtures of such substances are not being handled properly,

the authorised officer may give such directions either orally or in writing as the authorised officer considers appropriate to cease, remove, disperse, destroy or dispose of, abate, neutralize, or otherwise address the danger.

(2) No matter or thing done by an authorised officer or by any person under a direction given by an authorised officer shall, if the matter or thing was done in good faith in the exercise of the power conferred by the Act and these Regulations, subject the authorised officer or that person personally to any action, liability, claim, or demand whatsoever.

(3) Any person who contravenes, without reasonable cause, a direction given by an authorised officer under sub-regulation (1) commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years, or to both such fine and term of imprisonment.

55.—(1) The Department may, by notice in writing served on the occupier of any premises or any previous occupier of the premises, require an occupier to furnish to the Department within fourteen days or such longer period as is specified in the notice such information as to any trade carried on in or on the premises, or as to any prohibited or controlled substances or mixtures of such substances which has been, is being, or is likely to be discharged from, or is likely to be stored in those premises as is specified in the notice.

**Furnishing of
information.**

(2) Any person who contravenes any requirement made under this regulation commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months, or to both such fine and term of imprisonment.

(3) Any information furnished or statement made to the Department pursuant to any requirement made under sub-regulation (1) shall not be admissible in evidence in any proceedings against a person for an offence, if the person furnishing the information or making the statement objects at the time of furnishing the information or statement to doing so on the ground that it might tend to incriminate that person, except where the offence involves refusing or failing to comply with the requirements of a notice given under this regulation.

**Environmental
audits.**

56.—(1) The Department may, by written notice, require any person to undertake an environmental audit on the processes utilised by that person, including the likelihood, type, and quantity of any prohibited or controlled substance or mixtures of such substances discharged into the atmosphere, whether accidentally or wilfully, of pollution effluent discharged, as well as the steps being taken to control or reduce such discharges.

(2) A person who is issued a notice under sub-regulation (1) shall submit the environmental audit to the Department within such time as may be specified by the Department in the notice.

**Offences under
other laws.**

57. Where an act or omission constitutes an offence under these Regulations and is also an offence under any other law, nothing in these Regulations shall affect the operation of such other law and the accused person may be charged and tried under such other law, notwithstanding the provisions of these Regulations.

PART XI

Transitional, Repeal, and Savings

58. Any person engaged in the manufacturing, sale, importation, exportation, transshipment, or transit of controlled substances or mixtures of such substances or the importation, exportation, transshipment, or transit of refrigerant-based equipment shall immediately upon the commencement of these Regulations—

Transitional.

- (a) apply to the Chief Environmental Officer to be registered in accordance with Part III; and
- (b) apply to the Chief Environmental Officer for a licence in accordance with Part IV.

59.-(1) Part XII of the Pollution Regulations is repealed.

**Repeal and savings.
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P.83.**

(2) Notwithstanding the repeal of Part XII of the Pollution Regulations, nothing in these Regulations shall affect anything done, any proceedings taken or a right of action which has accrued or a liability which has been incurred under the repealed Part XII of the Pollution Regulations before the coming into force of these Regulations and anything done, any proceedings taken, or a right which has accrued, or a liability which has been incurred under the repealed Part XII of the Pollution Regulations shall be deemed to have been done, taken, accrued, or incurred, as the case may be, under these Regulations.

SCHEDULE I
[regulations 2, 3(1), 4(1) and 6(1)]

Prohibited Substances

PART 1

Chlorofluorocarbon (CFC)

Formula	Chemical Name	Common Name
CCl ₃ F	Trichlorofluoromethane	CFC-11
CCl ₂ F ₂	Dichlorodifluoromethane	CFC-12
C ₂ F ₃ Cl ₃	Trichloro trifluoroethane	CFC-113
C ₂ F ₄ Cl ₂	Dichlorotetrafluoroethane	CFC-114
C ₂ F ₅ Cl	Chloropentafluoroethane	CFC-115

PART 2

Halons

Formula	Chemical Name	Common Name
CF ₂ ClBr	Bromochlorodifluoromethane	Halon 1211
CF ₃ Br	Bromotrifluoromethane	Halon 1301
C ₂ F ₄ Br ₂	Dibromotetrafluoroethane	Halon 2402

PART 3

Other Fully Halogenated Chlorofluorocarbons

Formula	Chemical Name	Common Name
CF ₃ Cl	Chlorotrifluoromethane	CFC 13
C ₂ FCl ₅	Pentachlorofluoroethane	CFC 111
C ₂ F ₂ Cl ₄	Tetrachlorodifluoroethane	CFC 112
C ₃ FCl ₇	Heptachlorofluoropropane	CFC 211
C ₃ F ₂ Cl ₆	Hexachlorodifluoropropane	CFC 212
C ₃ F ₃ Cl ₅	Pentachlorotrifluoropropane	CFC 213
C ₃ F ₄ Cl ₄	Tetrachlorotetrafluoropropane	CFC 214
C ₃ F ₅ Cl ₃	Trichloropentafluoropropane	CFC 215
C ₃ F ₆ Cl ₂	Dichlorohexafluoropropane	CFC 216
C ₃ F ₇ Cl	Chloroheptafluoropropane	CFC 217

PART 4

Carbon Tetrachloride

Chemical Name

CCl₄ – Tetrachloromethane

Common Name

Carbon Tetrachloride

PART 5

Methyl Chloroform

Chemical Name

C₂H₃Cl₃ – 1,1,1 -Trichloroethane

Common Name

Methyl Chloroform

PART 6

Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFC)

Chemical Name

C₂H₃FCl₂ – 1,1-Dichloro-1-fluoroethane

Common Name

HCFC141b

SCHEDULE II
[regulations 3(2), 4(2) and 7]

Controlled Substances

PART 1

Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFC)

Chemical Name	Common Name
CHF ₂ Cl – Chlorodifluoromethane	HCFC22
C ₂ H ₂ F ₃ Cl ₂ – Dichlorotrifluoroethane	HCFC123
C ₂ H ₂ F ₄ Cl – Chlorotetrafluoroethane	HCFC 124
C ₂ H ₃ F ₃ Cl ₂ – Dichlorofluoroethanes	HCFC141
CH ₃ CClF ₂ – Chlorodifluoroethane	HCFC142
C ₂ H ₃ ClF ₂ – 1-Chloro-1,1-difluoroethane	HCFC142b

PART 2

Hydrofluorocarbon (HFC)

Chemical Name	Common Name
CH ₂ F ₂ - Difluoromethane	HFC 32
CH ₂ FCF ₃ – 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane	HFC 134a
C ₂ H ₄ F ₂ -1,1 Difluoroethane	HFC 152a
CF ₃ CHF ₂ – Pentafluoroethane	HFC 125
C ₂ H ₃ F ₃ – 1,1,1-Trifluoromethane	HFC 143a
CHF ₃ – Trifluoromethane	HFC 23
CF ₃ CH ₂ CHF ₂ – 1,1,1,3,3- Pentafluoropropane	HFC 245fa
Any other hydrofluorocarbon of single component that can be used as a refrigerant.	

PART 3

Hydrofluorocarbon Mixtures (HFC)

Mixture	Common Name
R 143a/125/134a	R 404A
R 143a/125	R 507A
R 32/125/134a	R 407A
R 32/125/134a	R 407B
R 32/125/134a	R 407C
R 32/125	R 410A
R 125/134a/HC 600	R 417A
R 134a/125/1234yf/32	R 449A
R 23/PFC 116	R 508A
R 32/ PFC 116	R 508B

Any other mixture using hydrofluorocarbon that can be used as a refrigerant.

PART 4

Other Blends

Mixture	Common Name
CFC12/HFC 152a	R500
HCFC22/HCFC124/HFC 152a	R401 (MP 39)
HFC134a/Iso-butane/Octafluoropropane	R413A (MO 49)
HCFC22/R600a/HCFC142b	R406A (FX 10)
HCFC22/HCFC124/HCFC142b	R409A (FX 56)
HFC 32/R125/134a/1234yf	R 449A
HFC 32/R125/1234yf	R 452B
HFC 32/1234yf	R 454A
HFC 32/1234yf	R 454B
HFC 32/1234yf	R 454C
HFC 32/1234yf/744	R 455A
HFC 32/134a/1234ze(E)	R 456A
HFC 32/152a/1234yf	R 457A
HFC 32/1234yf (E)/1234ze	R 459A
HCFC22/HFC152a	R415B
HFC 125/143a	R 507A
HFC 1234yf/134a	R 513A
HFC 1336mzz-Z/trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	R 514A
HFC 1234ze/227ea	R 515B

Any other blends using hydrofluorocarbon that can be used as a refrigerant.

PART 5

Hydrocarbons

Chemical Name	Common Name
C ₂ H ₆ – Ethane	R-170
CH ₃ OCH ₃ - Dimethyl ether	R-E170
C ₃ H ₈ – Propane	R-290
C ₄ H ₁₀ – Butane	R-600
CH(CH ₃) ₃ - Isobutane (2-Methylpr	R-600a
C ₅ H ₁₂ –pentane	R-601
CH(CH ₃) ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ - Isopentane	R-601a
C ₄ H ₁₀ O	R-610
C ₃ H ₆ – Propene(Propylene)	R-1270
C ₂ H ₄ – Ethene (Ethylene)	R-1150

Any other hydrocarbon can be used as a refrigerant

PART 6

Hydrocarbon Blend

Mixture	Common Name
R170/R290/R600a/R600	R-441A
R1270/R290/R600a	R-443-A
R-E170/600a	R510A
R-290/R-E170	R-511A
R290/R600a	R436A, R436B
Any other blend consisting of sole hydrocarbon used as refrigerant	

PART 7

Hydrofluoroolefins

Chemical Name	Common Name
Trans-1,2-dichloroethene	R-1130(E)
1,1-difluoroethylene	R-1132a
Trans-1,2-difluoroethylene	R-1132(E)
Fluoroethylene	R-1141
(Z)-1-chloro-2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropene	R-1224yd(Z)
Trans-1-chloro-3,3,3-trifluoro-1-propene	R-1233zd(E)
Trans-1,3,3,3-tetrafluoro-1-propene	R-1234ze(E)
2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene	R-1234yf
Trifluoroiodomethane	R-1311
Trans-1,1,1,4,4,4-hexafluoro-2-butene	R-1334mzz(E)
Cis-1,1,1,4,4,4-hexafluoro-2-butene	R-1336mzz(Z)

SCHEDULE III
[regulation 5(c) and 8(1)(b)]

Plastic Goods Manufactured with Chlorofluorocarbons

1. Extruded polystyrene foam.

2. Thermoformed plastic packaging including, without limiting the generality of that term—
 - (a)* supermarket meat/produce trays;
 - (b)* egg cartons;
 - (c)* fast-food containers;
 - (d)* disposable plates;
 - (e)* disposable cups;
 - (f)* horticultural packaging trays; and
 - (g)* packaging netting.

3. Polystyrene boardstock.

SCHEDULE IV

*[regulation 11]**Prohibitions on Equipment Using or Containing Certain Substances***Equipment**

1. Domestic refrigerators and freezers.
2. Industrial refrigeration units.
3. Commercial refrigeration units, including Display.
4. Cabinets, bottle coolers, and Soda fountains.
5. Aerosols, foams, and solvents which use or are made up of the following ozone depleting substances—
 - (a) CFC-11;
 - (b) CFC-12;
 - (c) CFC-113;
 - (d) CFC-114; and
 - (e) CFC-115.
6. Vehicular air conditioning units.
7. Halon-based fire-fighting equipment.
8. Domestic HCFC-based equipment.
9. Commercial HCFC-based equipment.
10. Industrial HCFC-based equipment.

SCHEDULE V
[regulation 13(3)]

Retrofit Certificate

Name of company:

Address:

Item: _____

Nature of retrofit:

Type of gas removed from system:

Type of gas system retrofitted to:

Name of retrofitter:

Remarks:

Signature of Retrofitter

Date

SCHEDULE VI
[regulation 15(1)]

Application for Registration

BELIZE



APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

Name of Applicant: _____
Name of Company, where applicable: _____
Street Address of Applicant/Company: _____
Mailing Address of Applicant/Company: _____
Telephone number: _____
Email address: _____

I _____ of _____
(Company name, where applicable), hereby apply for registration to
manufacture/sell/import/export/tranship/transit the following types of
Controlled Substances:

HFCs Types: _____ HS Code _____
Other Types: _____ HS Code _____

Signature of Applicant

Date

SCHEDULE VII
[regulation 16(1)]

Certificate of Registration

BELIZE



CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

Manufacture/sale/Import/export/transhipment/transit number: _____

Certificate number: _____

This is to certify that _____ of
_____ is registered to
manufacture/sell/import/export/tranship/transit the following types of
Controlled Substances:

HFCs Types: _____ HS Code _____
Other Types: _____ HS Code _____

Signature

Date
(Official Stamp of the Department)

SCHEDULE VIII
[regulation 25(1) and 31(1)]

*Form of Application for Licence to Manufacture/Sell/Import/Export
/Tranship/Transit Controlled Substances*

Instructions: All application forms must be type written. All fields are required. Incomplete application forms will not be processed. Application forms, along with all requirements, should be submitted to the Office of the Department of the Environment or e-mailed to ozone@environment.gov.bz.

Name of Applicant: _____

Address of Applicant: _____

Purpose of application: _____

Description and Quantity/Volume of Substances:

duct ne	ASHRAE Number	Chemical Name (for blends provide components)	Container Type	Weight Content per Unit (kg)	Quantity of Units	Total Weight Content (kg)

Cost price/value for quantity of substance: _____

Country and city of origin of substance: _____

Supplier's name, contact number and address: _____

Port of entry: _____

Port of exit: _____

Has any previous application been made? Yes ___ **No** ___

If yes, please state when and quantity of substance:

Date

Applicant's Signature

SCHEDULE IX
[regulation 25(2), 31(2)]

Form of Application for No Objection to Import/Export/Tranship/Transit
Refrigerant-Based Equipment

FOR OFFICAL USE ONLY:APPLICATION NO.
DATE RECEIVED: (mm/dd/yy) RECEIVED BY: (Please Print Name)

(MUST PRINT) All Fields are required for completion and must comply with requirements on the back. Incomplete forms will not be processed. Application Forms, along with all documentation requirements, should be submitted to the Department of Environment.

Name of Applicant:
Name of Company:
Address of Company:

Tax Identification Number (T.I.N): Contact Number:
Email Address:
APPLICATION FOR A NO OBJECTION TO: (Note, Only one activity per licence):
Import () Export () Tranship () Transit ()
Is this your first NO OBJECTION Application: Yes () No ()
If No, state your previous licence number:

For Refrigerant Based Equipment, Provide a Description and Quantity as specified in table:

Table with 8 columns: Product Name, Brand Name, Refrigerant Type, Refrigerant Charge (grams), Cooling BTU (if applicable), Wattage (W) (if applicable), Quantity of Units, Cost / Value \$

Please note: evidence of the refrigerants being imported/exported/transhipped/transited (e.g. an invoice) is required.
A Manufacturer's MSDS for each type of refrigerant is required.

For the items described above:

- a) List Country of Origin:
b) Provide Supplier's Name, Address, and Contact Number:
c) Port of Entry/Exit:

Date (dd/mm/yy) Signature of Applicant Company Seal (if Applicable)

Requirements for Imports/exports/transhipments/transits of refrigerant gases

1. Payment of registration annual fee.
2. Payment of import/export/transhipment/transit fees.
3. Registration must be obtained from the Department of the Environment (DOE).
4. Submission to the DOE of complete application forms. Incomplete application forms will not be considered.
5. Application forms must be signed by owner/manager of the company.
6. Completed application forms must be submitted with the following:
 - a. Invoice of goods to be imported/exported/transhipped/transited; and
 - b. Manufacturers' MSDS of each type of refrigerant gas to be imported/exported/transhipped/transited.
7. All refrigerant containers (canisters and cylinders) must have the following information on its labels:
 - a. Brand name;
 - b. Content weight;
 - c. Country of origin; and
 - d. Contacts of manufacturers.
8. Refrigerant containers shall comply with the Labelling Standards of Belize. All refrigerant container labels shall be in English.
9. Company must apply for a licence prior to importation/exportation/transhipment/transit of goods, and NOT when the goods have arrived at any of Belize's port of entries.
10. Importation/exportation/transhipment/transit of refrigerant gases by an unregistered company is prohibited. This may lead to the confiscation of goods by the DOE in collaboration with the Customs and Excise Department.
11. Importation/exportation/transhipment/transit of refrigerant gases without a licence is prohibited. This may lead to the confiscation of goods by the DOE in collaboration with the Customs and Excise Department.
12. Only authorised persons as per HCFC & HFC Quota System will be allowed to import/export/tranship/transit HCFCs & HFCs. Any other refrigerants, except HCFCs & HFCs, may be imported/exported/transhipped/transited by any other company with a licence granted by the Department of the Environment.
13. An import/export/tranship/transit licence is valid for one import/export/transhipment/transit only.

NOTE: Please note that in accordance with the Environmental Protection Act, Chapter 328 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020, it is a criminal offence to provide false or misleading information, punishable by a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars, or to a term not exceeding two years imprisonment, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

SCHEDULE X
[regulation 27(1)]

Licence For Controlled Substances



DOE/OzoPro/20 (xxxxx)
TIN:

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT

**NO OBJECTION TO
MANUFACTURE/SELL/IMPORT/EXPORT/TRANSIT/TRANSHIP CONTROLLED
SUBSTANCES**

THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT HEREBY GRANTS A LICENCE TO

_____ (Name)

TO MANUFACTURE/SELL/IMPORT/EXPORT/TRANSIT/TRANSHIP CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION DATED THE ____ DAY OF _____, 20__ IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING:

ADDRESS OF THE MANUFACTURING/SELLER/IMPORTING/EXPORTING/TRANSITING/TRANSHIPMENT COMPANY:

Street, _____ (Town/Village) _____ District.

PORT OF ENTRY: _____ District.

TYPE, QUOTA OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE FOR WHICH THIS LICENCE IS BEING AUTHORISED:

TYPE:

QUOTA:

This Manufacture/Sale/Import/Export/Transit/Transshipment:

HSCODE	Chemical Name	Product Name	Cylinder Type	Weight Content per Unit (lbs)	Quantity (Units)	Total Weight Content (lbs)

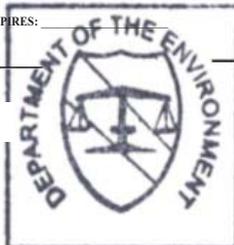
This LICENCE is granted subject to the following conditions:

- a) Only a maximum quantity/volume of substance will be permitted to be manufactured/sold/imported/exported/transhipped/transited as per an annual quota, stated above.
- b) This licence is non-transferable.
- c) This licence is valid for one manufacture/sale/import/export/transhipment/transit of controlled substances described in the table above.
- d) This licence can be revoked by the Chief Environmental Officer at any time, pursuant to the Environmental Protection (Ozone Layer Protection) Regulations made under the Environmental Protection Act.
- e) The manufacture/sale/importation/exportation/transhipment/transit of controlled substances without a licence will result in the confiscation of goods.

f) THIS AUTHORISATION EXPIRES:

_____ Date


 Chief Environmental Officer



Licence for Refrigerant-Based Equipment



DOE/OzoPro/20 (xxxxx)
TIN:

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT

NO OBJECTION TO IMPORT/EXPORT/TRANSIT/TRANSHIP
REFRIGERANT-BASED EQUIPMENT

THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT HEREBY GRANTS A LICENCE TO

_____ (Name)

TO IMPORT/EXPORT/TRANSIT/TRANSHIP REFRIGERANT-BASED EQUIPMENT PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION DATED THE ____ DAY OF _____, 20____.

ADDRESS OF THE IMPORTING/EXPORTING/TRANSITING/TRANSHIPMENT COMPANY:

_____ Street, _____ (Town/Village) _____ District.

PORT OF ENTRY: _____ District.

TYPE OF EQUIPMENT FOR WHICH AUTHORISATION IS PROVIDED:

HSCODE	Description	Brand	Quantity of Units	Refrigerant Type	Refrigerant Charge (grams)	Total Capacity (Cubic Feet)	Wattage (Watts)

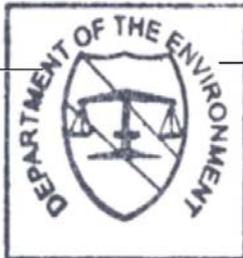
This licence is granted subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Only the above-mentioned equipment will be permitted to be imported/exported/transhipped/transited.
- (b) This licence is non-transferable.
- (c) This licence is valid for **one** import/export/transhipment/transit of the equipment described in the table above.
- (d) Should the equipment be pre-charged it must have the following information on its labels.
 - (i) type of refrigerant;
 - (ii) content weight;
 - (iii) country of origin;
 - (iv) contacts of manufacturers; and
 - (v) type of oil;
- (e) This licence can be revoked by the Chief Environmental Officer in accordance with the Environmental Protection (Ozone Layer Protection) Regulations made under the Environmental Protection Act.
- (f) The importation/exportation/transhipment/transit of refrigerant based equipment without a licence will result in the confiscation of goods.

This licence expires: _____

Date

Chief Environmental Officer



[Handwritten Signature]

SCHEDULE XI
[regulation 32(2)]

HCFC Quota for Belize

Substance	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
R-22 (mt)	22.4	19.11	15.82	13.52	11.23	8.93	6.64	1.27

*Allowable 2.5% between 2030-2040 for servicing sector

HFC CONSUMPTION FOR BELIZE FOR THE PERIOD 2024 – 2045

**In relation to the HFC Phase-down Schedule
under the Kigali Amendment
For Developing Countries (Article 5 Countries)**

Time-frame	% Reduction	Quantity
Jan. 2024 – Dec. 2024	Freeze baseline	502,268.00 CO2 eq
Jan. 2025 – Dec. 2029	10%	452,041.20 CO2 eq
Jan. 2030 – Dec. 2035	30%	351,587.60 CO2 eq
Jan. 2036 – Dec. 2040	50%	251,134.00 CO2 eq
Jan. 2041 – Dec. 2045	80%	100,453.60 CO2 eq

SCHEDULE XII
[regulation 24(1)]

Schedule of Fees for Licences

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|-------|--|------------------------|
| (i) | In respect of refrigerant gases specified in Part 1 of Schedule II | \$300 per metric tonne |
| (ii) | In respect of controlled substances listed in Parts 2 to 4 of Schedule II | \$100 per metric tonne |
| (iii) | In respect of refrigerant gases pursuant to Parts 5 to 7 of Schedule II and other refrigerants | \$25 per metric tonne |

SCHEDULE XIII
[regulation 31(3)]

Fees for Persons Operating in Free Zones

In respect of refrigerant gases specified in Part 1 of Schedule II	\$300 per metric tonne
In respect of refrigerant gases pursuant to Part 2 to 4 of Schedule II:	\$100 per metric tonne
In respect of refrigerant gases pursuant to Parts 5 to 7 of Schedule II and other refrigerants:	\$25 per metric tonne

Section E: Declaration

I hereby declare that the information provided above is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Name of Authorised Person: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Official Stamp (if applicable):

DISTRIBUTORS/RETAILERS REPORT FORM

Section A: Business Information

Reporting Period: From: _____ to: _____

Name of Company/Store/Distributor: _____

Business Address: _____

Contact Person:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Business Registration Number: _____

Section B: Sales of Controlled Substances or Refrigerants

Refrigerant Name	Chemical Name	HS Code	Quantity Purchased (kg)	Quantity Sold (kg)	Remaining Stock (kg)	Supplier Name

Section C: Sale of Refrigerant-Based Equipment

Equipment Name	Model Name/No.	Refrigerant Used	Charge Amount per Unit (kg)	Quantity Sold (units)	Supplier Name

Section D: Client Categories and Sales Channels

Breakdown of Clients (estimated % of total sales):

- Retail (Individual Consumers): _____ %
- Commercial Clients (e.g., Supermarkets): _____ %
- Industrial Clients: _____ %
- Service Technicians/Contractors: _____ %
- Other (specify): _____: _____ %

Sales Channels Used (select all that apply): Physical Store Online Wholesale Direct Contracts**Section E: Declaration**

I hereby declare that the information provided above is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Name of Authorised Person: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Official Stamp (if applicable):

IMPORTATION REPORT FORM

YEAR _____

Any person importing controlled substances, refrigerants and/or refrigerant based equipment must submit an importation form signed by that person or their duly authorised representative. Upon the completion, this form must be returned to the Department of the Environment, National Ozone Unit by email: ozone@environment.gov.bz immediately.

A) Name of Importer (in case of a company, please provide the name of the company)

B) Address of Importer

Please complete the following tables as needed for any imported items.

E) Kindly fill out the following table for all imported controlled substances refrigerants.

Type of item exported	If Blend, the components	Number of containers Imported	Weight per Container in kg	Total Amount Imported in Kg	Total Amount imported in Tons	Country or Origin	Supplier's name	Reference License # Including date

F) Fill out the following table for all refrigerant-based equipment imported.

Description	Brand	Quantity of units imported	Refrigerant type	Total capacity (cubic feet)	Wattage (Watts)	Country of Origin	Supplier's name	Reference License # including date

Signature of importer or their duly authorised representative

Name of signee (PLEASE PRINT)

Date (DD,MM,YY)

Telephone number or email in case we have further questions.

EXPORTATION REPORT FORM

YEAR _____

Any person exporting controlled substances, refrigerants and/or refrigerant based equipment must submit an exportation form signed by that person or their duly authorised representative. Upon the completion, this form must be returned to the Department of the Environment, National Ozone Unit by email: ozone@environment.gov.bz immediately.

A) Name of Exporter (in case of a company, please provide the name of the company)

B) Address of Exporter

Please complete the following tables as needed for any exported items.

E) Kindly fill out the following table for all exported controlled substances or refrigerants.

Type of Refrigerant exported	If Blend, the components	Number of containers Imported	Weight per Container in kg	Total Amount Imported in Kg	Total Amount exported in Tons	Country Destination	Name of importing company	Reference License # including date

F) Fill out the following table for all refrigerant-based equipment exported.

Description	Brand	Quantity of units exported	Refrigerant type	Total capacity (cubic feet)	Wattage (Watts)	Country Destination	Name of importing company	Reference License # including date

Signature of exporter or their duly authorised representative

Name of signee (PLEASE PRINT)

Date (DD,MM,YY)

Telephone number or email in case we have further questions.

**TRANSHIPMENT/TRANSIT
REPORT FORM**

YEAR: _____

Any person who tranships or transits controlled substances or refrigerants and/or refrigerant based equipment must submit a Transshipment/Transit form signed by that person or their duly authorised representative. Upon the completion, this form must be submitted to the Department of the Environment, National Ozone Unit by email: ozone@environment.gov.bz immediately.

A) Name of Reporting Entity (e.g., Custom Broker, Shipping Agency, Company)

B) Phone:

C) Type of Movement (select one) Transshipment Transit

Port of Entry:

Port of Exit (if applicable):

D) Shipment Information

Shipment Reference No. (Bill of Lading/ Air Waybill):

Date of Arrival at Port of Entry:

Country of Origin:

Expected Date of Exit:

Country of Final Destination:

E) Details of Controlled Substances or Refrigerants and Equipment

Item No.	Description of Goods	HS Code	Common Name	Chemical Name	Quantity	Units (kg, pcs)	Type of packaging	Reference License # Including date

*Note: Attach Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and/or Material Declarations where applicable. *

F) Transport Information

Transport Mode (select one): Air Sea Land

Name of Carrier/Transport Company:

Vehicle/ Vessel / Flight Number:

Signature of reporting entity or their duly authorised representative

Name of signee (PLEASE PRINT)

Date (DD,MM,YY)

Telephone number or email in case we have further questions.

SCHEDULE XV
[regulation 48(2)]

Refrigeration Technician Report Form

REFRIGERANT USAGE REPORTING FORM	
Reporting period:	
Personal Information:	
Full Name:	
Company Name:	
Contact Number:	
Email Address:	
Refrigerant Information:	
Refrigerant Type (e.g., R-134a):	
Quantity Used (lbs or kg):	
Equipment Type (e.g., Refrigerator, Air Conditioner):	
Equipment Manufacturer:	
Equipment Model:	
Date of Service:	
Reason for Refrigerant Usage (e.g. Leak repair, routine maintenance):	
Additional Details (if applicable):	
Description of Service Performed:	
Identification of Any Leaks detected:	
Actions Taken to Prevent Future Leaks:	
<p>Declaration: By Submitting this form, I certify that the information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that all refrigerant usage complies with relevant regulations and guidelines.</p>	

Signature

Date

Note: Please ensure all fields are completed accurately. Thank you for your cooperation.

MADE by the Minister responsible for the environment after consultation with the Department of the Environment this 3rd day of July, 2025.



(HON. ORLANDO HABET)

Minister of Sustainable Development, Climate Change, and
Solid Waste Management

(Minister responsible for the environment)