

L.N. 194 of 2020

**Dutiable Commodities (Liquor Licences) (Fees)
(Amendment) Regulation 2020**

(Made by the Secretary for Food and Health under section 6A of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 109) and section 29 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1))

1. Commencement

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), this Regulation comes into operation on the day on which it is published in the Gazette.
- (2) Section 3(1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6) comes into operation on 1 October 2020.

2. Dutiable Commodities (Liquor Licences) (Fees) Regulation amended

The Dutiable Commodities (Liquor Licences) (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 109 sub. leg. H) is amended as set out in section 3.

3. Section 3 amended (concessions on fees from October 2019 to September 2020)

- (1) Section 3, heading—
Repeal
“2019 to September 2020”
Substitute
“2020 to September 2021”.

Section 3

- (2) Section 3(2)—

Repeal

“(3)”

Substitute

“(4A)”.

- (3) Section 3—

Repeal subsection (3).

- (4) Section 3(4)—

Repeal

“For”

Substitute

“Subject to subsection (4A), for”.

- (5) After section 3(4)—

Add

“(4A) If—

- (a) 2 or more licences, each being a specified licence, are issued in respect of the same premises;
- (b) the effective date of each of those licences falls within the concession period; and
- (c) the aggregate period of those licences exceeds 12 months by a period (*excess period*),

then the amount of fee that is waived in respect of the last of those licences under subsection (2) or (4) is reduced by an amount equals to the fee that would, apart from subsection (2) or (4) (as the case may be), have been payable for that licence for the excess period, calculated on a pro rata basis.

(4B) For the purpose of calculating the amount by which the amount of fee that is waived is reduced under subsection (4A), a fraction of \$1 is to be counted as \$1.”.

(6) Section 3(5), definition of *concession period*—

Repeal

“2019 to 30 September 2020”

Substitute

“2020 to 30 September 2021”.

(7) Section 3(6)—

Repeal

“2020”

Substitute

“2021”.

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Dutiable Commodities (Liquor Licences) (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 109 sub. leg. H). The main purpose of the amendments is to extend the concessions on certain fees payable in respect of the issue or renewal of liquor licences under the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 109) within the period from October 2020 to September 2021.