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CHEMICAL WEAPONS (PROHIBITION) (AMENDMENT) ACT 2007 & THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS (PROHIBITION) REGULATIONS 2007

We wish to inform you that the *Chemical Weapons (Prohibition) (Amendment) Act 2007* was passed in Parliament on 22 October 2007 and assented to by the President on 6 November 2007. The Amendment Act comes into operation today (14 December 2007).

- The Amendment Act implemented concentration limits for mixtures containing Scheduled chemicals which are subject to licensing requirements by the National Authority (Chemical Weapons Convention) [NA(CWC)].
- We also wish to inform you that the *Chemical Weapons (Prohibition) Regulations 2007* had been gazetted and comes into operation today (14 December 2007). The Regulations prescribed the concentration limits for mixtures containing Schedule 2B and Schedule 3 chemicals.
- 4 Companies and traders involved in the import, export, production, consumption and/or processing of mixtures containing 30% or less of Scheduled 2B and 3 chemicals are **not** required to apply for a NA(CWC) licence.
- Under the Strategic Goods (Control) Act, strategic goods permits are required prior to the export and transshipment of Scheduled chemicals. In line with the above amendments, strategic goods permits are also **not** required for the export and transshipment of mixtures containing 30% or less of CWC Scheduled 2B and 3 chemicals with immediate effect. Traders are required to declare a normal TradeNet permit instead for the exports of such goods. However, a Strategic Goods permit is **required** if the mixture contains other chemicals controlled under the Strategic Goods (Control) Act.
- If you need any clarifications, please contact our **NACWC Helpdesk at 6775 5137** or visit our website at http://www.nacwc.gov.sg.

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