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## Regulation 6 of 2019

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**Assented to on 18 July 2019**

**Commenced on 29 July 2019**

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**The Chief Executive Officer of Rwanda Mines, Petroleum and Gas Board;**

Pursuant to Law n° 58/2018 of 13/08/2018 on mining and quarry operations, especially in Article 23;

Having reviewed Ministerial Instructions n° 010/MINIRENA/2016 of 11/01/2016 determining types, size limits and modalities for exporting mineral ore samples;

After consideration and approval by Cabinet, in its session of 07/06/2019;

**ISSUES THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS:**

### **Article One – Purpose of these Regulations**

These Regulations determine the limit of quantities of mineral ore samples.

### **Article 2 – Scope of application**

These Regulations apply to:

- 1° metallic mineral ore samples;
- 2° non-metallic minerals mineral ore samples.

### **Article 3 – List of metallic mineral ore samples**

The list of metallic mineral ore samples comprises but is not limited to the following:

- 1° A1: Precious metals:
  - a. Ag;
  - b. Au;
  - c. PGE.
- 2° A2: Base metals:
  - a. Al;
  - b. Cu;
  - c. Ni;
  - d. Sn;
  - e. Pb;

- f. Pb-Zn.
- 3° A3: Fe-and Ferro-alloy metals:
- a. Nb;
  - b. W;
  - c. Ti-oxides;
  - d. HM = Heavy minerals;
  - e. Cr;
  - f. Co;
  - g. Mn;
  - h. Mo.
- 4° A4: Rare Metals, Technology metals:
- a. La;
  - b. Li;
  - c. REE;
  - d. Zr;
  - e. Be.

#### **Article 4 – List of non-metallic mineral ore samples**

The list of non-metallic mineral ore samples comprises but is not limited to the following:

- 1° B1: Precious and semi-precious stones:
- a. tourmaline;
  - b. sapphire;
  - c. aquamarine;
  - d. amethyst;
  - e. chrysoberyl;
  - f. diamond;
  - g. ruby;
  - h. emerald;
  - i. topaz;
  - j. chalcedony;
  - k. jasper;
  - l. citrine;
  - m. aventurine;
  - n. garnet;
  - o. iolite;

- p. kyanite;
  - q. peridot.
- 2° B2: Ceramic and refractory minerals:
- a. clay;
  - b. feldspar;
  - c. graphite;
  - d. kaolin;
  - e. bentonite.
- 3° B3: Industrial minerals and rocks:
- a. corundum;
  - b. micas;
  - c. abrasives;
  - d. staurolite;
  - e. attapulgite;
  - f. sepiolite;
  - g. mineral pigment;
  - h. silica sand;
  - i. talc;
  - j. vermiculite.
- 4° B4: Fertilizer minerals:
- a. phosphate;
  - b. potash;
  - c. lime.
- 5° B5: Energy resources:
- a. peat.
- 6° B6: Building raw materials, dimension stones:
- a. dolerite;
  - b. gabbro;
  - c. granite;
  - d. amphibolite;
  - e. gypsum;
  - f. anhydrite;
  - g. limestone;
  - h. cement;
  - i. marble;

- j. travertine.

### **Article 5 – Limit of the quantity of mineral ore samples**

The limit of the quantity of mineral ore samples is in Annex I of these Regulations.

### **Article 6 – Sending mineral ore samples abroad**

An owner of mineral ore samples who wants to send them abroad for laboratory analysis purpose requests for an authorisation from the Chief Executive Officer of Rwanda Mines, Petroleum and Gas Board in a format prescribed in Annex II of these Regulations.

### **Article 7 – Submission of laboratory results**

The sender of mineral ore samples must submit to the Chief Executive Officer of Rwanda Mines, Petroleum and Gas Board a detailed laboratory report within sixty (60) days from the date of issuance of the authorisation referred to under Article 6 of these regulations.

### **Article 8 – Repealing provision**

Ministerial Instructions n° 010/MINIRENA/2016 of 11/01/2016 determining types, size limits and modalities for exporting mineral ore samples and all prior provisions contrary to these Regulations are repealed.

### **Article 9 – Commencement**

These Regulations come into force on the date of their publication in the Official *Gazette* of the Republic of Rwanda.

**Annex 1****Limit of the quality of mineral ore samples****I. Metallic mineral ore samples**

<b>Minerals</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Limit of the quantity</b>
Non-weathered rock	A1, A2, A3, A4	≤ two kilograms (2 kg) per bag
Weathered rock	A1, A2, A3, A4	≤ three kilograms (3 kg) per bag
Crystal	A2, A3, A4	≤ one kilogram (1 kg) per bag
Pre-concentrated ore	A2, A3, A4	≤ three kilograms (3 kg) per bag
Concentrates ore	A2, A3, A4	≤ one and half kilograms (1,5 kg) per bag
Crystal	A1	≤ zero point one kilogram (0,1 kg) per bag
Pre-concentrated ore	A1	≤ half kilogram (0,5 kg) per bag
Concentrated ore	A1	≤ zero point one kilogram (0,1 kg) per bag
Soil	A1, A2, A3, A4	≤ two and half kilograms (2,5 kg) per bag
Liquid	A1, A2, A3, A4	≤ five litres (5 L) per bag

## II. Non-metallic mineral ore samples

Minerals	Category	Limit of the quantity
Non-weathered rock	B2, B3, B4, B5	≤ five kilograms (5 kg) per bag
Weathered rock	B2, B3, B4, B5	≤ ten kilograms (10 kg) per bag
Pre-concentrated ore	B2, B3, B4, B5	≤ three kilograms (3 kg) per bag
Concentrated ore	B2, B3, B4, B5	≤ two kilograms (2 kg) per bag
Non-weathered rock	B1	≤ zero point two kilogram (0,2 kg) per bag
Weathered rock	B1	≤ zero point three kilogram (0,3 kg) per bag
Crystal	B1	≤ ten (10) carats per bag
Pre-concentrated ore	B1	≤ zero point five kilogram (0,5 kg) per bag
Concentrated ore	B1	≤ zero point one kilogram (0,1 kg) per bag
Non-weathered rock	B6	≤ ten kilograms (10 kg) per bag
Weathered rock	B6	≤ twenty kilograms (20 kg) per bag



### III. Special mineral ore samples for industrial testing

Minerals	Category	Limit of the quantity
Mineral ore for metallurgical testing	A2, A3, A4	≤ fifty kilograms (50 kg) per bag
Mineral for industrial testing	B2, B3, B4, B5	≤ one hundred kilograms (100 kg) per bag
Rocks for dimension stones testing	B6	≤ fifty kilograms (50 kg) per bag
Building and road materials for testing	B2, B3, B6	≤ one hundred kilograms (100 kg) per bag

## Annex II

### Forms

*[Editorial note: The forms have not been reproduced.]*