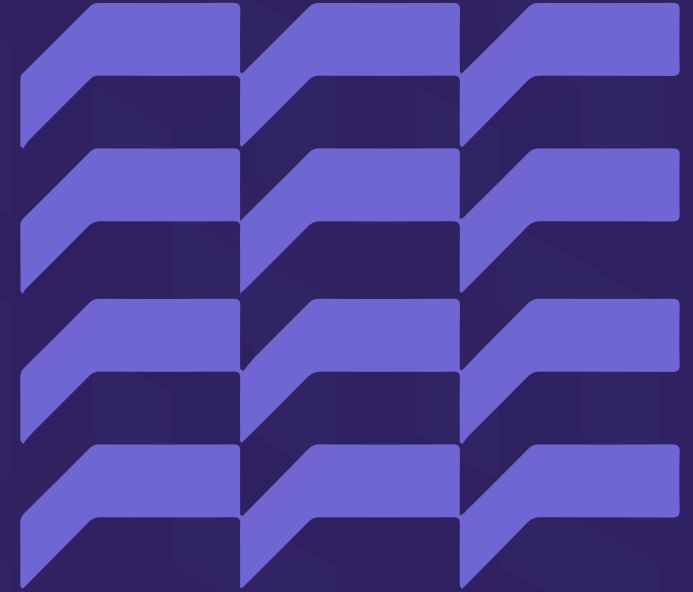


PROHIBITION OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES FOR NON- CITIZENS 2025



PROHIBITION OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES FOR NON-CITIZENS) ORDER, 2025

We wish to bring to your attention the recently issued Business Licensing (Prohibition of Business Activities for Non-Citizens) Order, 2025, which came into effect under Government Notice No. 487A published on 28th July 2025. Licensing authorities are not permitted to issue or renew licenses for non-citizens in respect of these activities.

PROHIBITED BUSINESS ACTIVITIES:

Non-citizens are prohibited from engaging in the business activities:

- The business of sale of goods on a wholesale and retail basis, excluding supermarkets, specialized product outlets, and wholesale centers for local producers.
- Mobile money transfers.
- Repair of mobile phones and electronic devices.
- Salon business unless the business is conducted in a hotel or for tourism purposes.
- Home, office and environmental cleanliness.
- Small-scale mining.
- Postal activities and parcel delivery within the country.
- Tour guiding within the country.
- Establishment and operation of radio and television.
- Operation of museums or curio shops.
- Brokerage or agency in businesses and real estate.
- Clearing and forwarding services.
- On-farm crop purchasing operations.
- Ownership or operation of gambling machines or devices, except within casino premises.
- Ownership and operation of micro and small industries.

NON-COMPLIANCE BY NON-CITIZEN

Any non-citizen found conducting such activities shall be liable to

- A fine of not less than TZS 10 million
- Imprisonment of up to six months
- Revocation of visa and residence permit

NON-COMPLIANCE BY CITIZEN

Tanzanian citizens who assist non-citizens in conducting prohibited activities

- A fine of TZS 5 million
- Imprisonment of up to three months

TRANSITION PROVISIONS

Non-citizens who currently hold valid licenses for any of the prohibited activities may continue operating until the expiry of their existing licenses. No renewals will be granted thereafter

ACTION REQUIRED

We advise you to:

- Review your current business licenses and activities
- Ensure compliance with the new Order
- Seek clarification from relevant authorities if needed
- For further guidance or support, please feel free to contact our office.

We are here to assist you throughout this process and ensure **your compliance** with the **regulatory** requirements. Please do not hesitate to reach out should you require any further clarification or support.

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