

S.I. 27 of 2013**ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT***(Act 9 of 1994)***Environment Protection (Beverage Containers and Labels) Regulations, 2013**

In exercise of powers conferred by section 13(c) of the Environment Protection Act, 1994, the Minister of Environment and Energy hereby makes the following Regulations —

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Environment Protection (Beverage Containers and Labels) Regulations, 2013 and shall come into force on 15th March, 2013..

Citation

2. In these Regulations unless the context otherwise requires —

Interpretation

“beverage” means any liquid including alcoholic drinks, fruit juices, lemonade and water;

“commercial distribution” means labels directly or indirectly available for labeling of beverage containers;

“PET film” means a thin sheet of polyethylene terephthalate, with many different applications;

“(PVC)” means polyvinyl chloride, a synthetic thermoplastic material made by polymerizing vinyl chloride including polymers derived from vinyl chloride;

“trade” means the sale of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) labels to any person or company for use within the Republic of Seychelles.

Prohibition on
polyvinyl
chloride PVC
labels

3. The import, manufacture, trade and commercial distribution of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) labels shall be prohibited for the purpose of labeling beverage containers for use within the Republic of Seychelles.

Labeling of
beverage
containers

4.(1) All beverage containers imported, manufactured, distributed, traded in or use shall be made of PET or glass and labeled by paper or PET film.

(2) All PET beverage containers shall have the standard symbol for PET moulded at the bottom or side wall of the container and the symbol of PET shall be clearly indicated on any label used.

Other
packaging of
beverage
containers

5. Where plastic outer packaging is used for the transportation of beverage containers, the packaging shall be made of PET film.

Transitional
provision

6. A person who manufacture, imports, distributes, supplies or sells polyvinyl chloride (PVC) labels and beverage containers shall ensure that these regulations are complied within six months from the date of commencement of these Regulations.

Offence

7. Any person who contravenes these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding SCR5,000 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year, or to both such fine and imprisonment. The court may in addition impose a fine of SCR2000 for each day which the default continues.]

MADE this 14th day of March, 2013.

**ROLPH PAYET
MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT
AND ENERGY**
