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## PART II

### Statutory Notifications (S. R. O.)

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

### NOTIFICATION

*Rawalpindi, the 8th March, 2018*

S.R.O. 361(I)/2018.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (23) of section 282 of the Cantonment Act, 1924 (II of 1924) read with section 283, the Karachi Cantonment Board, with previous sanction of Federal Government, is pleased to make the Karachi Cantonment (Sign Boards) Bye-Laws, 2018 which were previously published *vide* notification No. SKO 961(I)/2016 dated 8th September 2016 as required under section 284 of the aforesaid Act, namely:—

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) These Bye-laws may be called the Karachi Cantonment (Sign Boards) Bye-Laws 2018.

(2) These Bye-Laws shall come into force at once.

(3) They shall extend to the whole area of Karachi Cantonment Board.

(745)

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2. **Definitions.**—In these Bye-laws, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context;

- (i) 'Act' means the Cantonments Act, 1924 (II of 1924);
- (ii) 'Board' means the Karachi Cantonment Board;
- (iii) "Cantonment Executive Officer" means the Executive Officer of the Karachi Cantonment Board;
- (iv) "Permission" means permission for erection, fixation or display of shop or sign;
- (v) "Director" means the Director Military Lands and Cantonments, Karachi Region Karachi;
- (vi) "Contractor" means licensee who is authorized by the Board to collect shop signboard tax on behalf of Board; and
- (vii) "Sign Board" means the board affixed on shop, bank, petrol pump, CNG station, hotel, restaurant, sweet or baker, super market, beauty parlor, travel agency, courier company, franchise or outlet, marriage hall etc. in any manner displaying the name or business of the shop.

3. **Permission to display boards on shops.**—No person shall erect, exhibit, fix, retain, or display or cause to be erected, exhibited, fixed, retained or displayed any shop signboard on any property in any manner without a valid permission obtained from the Board. The permission may be granted on receipt of an application on the form prescribed by the Cantonment Executive Officer from time to time and after deposit of levied advertisement tax of signboards on shop by the applicant:

Provided that nothing in these Bye-laws shall apply to signboards displayed or exhibited by any Department of the Federal or Provincial Government or by Armed forces, or by any Judicial authority, or by any Municipal authority, or by any local authority or related to any service in a masjid, church, chapel or temple unless directed by the Cantonment Executive Officer otherwise.

4. **Conditions to grant permissions.**—A permission under Bye-law 3 may be granted subject to following conditions, namely:—

- (a) every person desiring to erect, exhibit, fix, retain or display signboard on shop sign shall send or cause to be sent to the Cantonment Executive Officer, not less than fifteen days before display is to be made; together with a copy of the matter to be advertised;



- (b) the grant or refusal of permission may be intimated to the applicant at the earliest but not later than fifteen days in normal routine from the date of receipt of notice or such other time as may be prescribed;
- (c) the permission shall indicate the tax payable by the applicant in advance on the shop signboard, the manner and method of shop signboard, the period of validity of the permission;
- (d) the permission shall be granted after the assessment of tax and its payment in advance as fixed and period for grant of the permission;
- (e) assessment of tax on shop signboards shall be made by a person authorized by Executive Officer;
- (f) tax on shop signboard shall be levied on annual basis; and
- (g) If any change in size or taxation etc., of the shop signboard is required the person responsible for this shall seek the permission of the Executive Officer and in that case he shall pay the difference amount of that increase.

5. **Withdrawal of permissions.**—The permission once granted may be withdrawn at any stage and time by the Board in the interest of public order and prevention of nuisance and also on the ground of any violation of the provision of these Bye-laws.

✓ 6. **Power of the Board to refuse permission.**—The Board shall have the power to refuse or cancel permission or limit the size, location, number of boards or adjustment at site. The Board may also refuse permission on the ground that the contents or the manner of the display is indecent or otherwise offensive to good taste, public sentiment, politically or religiously offensive and undesirable

7. **Duration of permission.**—Permission for display of signboard on shop shall not exceed one year at a time.

8. **Removal of boards on shops.**—Where the permission has been refused, cancelled, expired or withdrawn under these Bye-laws or signboard on shop has been installed without permission in writing or the owner is in default of the payment of tax, the Cantonment Executive Officer shall cause the unauthorized signboards on shop to be removed without notice at the cost of the offender.

9. **Register of permissions.**—All permissions accorded under these Bye-laws, with particular reference to the location, size, nature and amount of tax paid shall be recorded on yearly basis in a register to be prescribed by the Cantonment Executive Officer.



10. **Auction of collection rights of Shop Board tax of boards on shop.**—Notwithstanding any direction conveyed previously, the Board, after concurrence of the Director may put in open auction the collection rights of tax on signboards on shops as a whole or part thereof.

11. **Boards on shops.**—(1) Shops will be classified according to their frontage and each shall be allowed to put up one signboard or other inscription of permanent or a quasi-permanent nature and upto a maximum size as mentioned against each at concessional but fixed amount of tax as mentioned below:-

Sr. No.	Description	Rates per sit per annum
1	Shop (as per frontage of shop from 8' to 20', size of advertisement board 8'x2' to 20'x3 1/2')	Rs.100/-
2	Advertisement boards on banks, petrol pumps, CNG stations, hotels, restaurants, sweets/bakers, super markets, beauty parlors, travel agencies, courier companies, franchises/outlets, marriage halls/lawns etc.	Rs.300/-

(2) The rate of tax for an additional board shall be double of the above rates according to the frontage of the shop.

12. **Penalty.**—Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of these Bye-laws is liable to pay fine to the Board which may extend to rupees one hundred for each signboard on shop and in case of continuous contravention will be liable to pay further fine which may extend to rupees twenty per day during which such contravention continuous after conviction for the first such contravention.

13. **Method of recovery.**—The arrears of any tax, cost and fine may be recovered together with the cost of recovery through method provided in the Act.

14. **Appeal against refusal.**—If any person is aggrieved by the refusal of the Board to authorize the display of any board, such person may appeal to the Director, and if it appears to the Director that the display should be authorized under these Bye-laws, the Director may refer the case to the Board to that effect.

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