

Conditions of Approval as a Rice Storage Place

[made under Regulation 10 of the Reserved Commodities
(Control of Imports, Exports and Reserve Stocks) Regulations]

1. Approval for a rice storage place is not transferable. An approved rice storage place is required to immediately inform the Director-General of Trade and Industry (DGTI) in writing of any change of particulars in the “Application to the DGTI for Approval as a Rice Storage Place”.
2. An approved rice storage place is required to hold a valid business registration certificate issued under the Business Registration Ordinance (Cap 310) at all times during the continuance of the approval as a rice storage place. Each approved rice storage place shall submit a copy of its up-to-date business registration certificate to the DGTI as and when so required by DGTI or when there is any change in the particulars of its business registration.
3. No delivery of rice shall be made from the approved rice storage place except in accordance with the written authority of the officers of the Rice Control Unit of the Trade and Industry Department delegated with the authority conferred on the Commissioner of Customs and Excise by Regulation 9(2) of the Reserved Commodities (Control of Imports, Exports and Reserve Stocks) Regulations. A letter from a rice stockholder requesting delivery which has been approved and endorsed by officers of the Trade and Industry Department so delegated shall be deemed to be sufficient authority.
4. Any quantity of rice stored in an approved rice storage place shall be distinctly segregated according to shipment, marks and grades as specified in the import licences.
5. Accurate and up-to-date godown records of rice under storage must be maintained. Authorised officers shall be permitted to inspect at any time the rice under storage and all documents relating thereto.
6. The approved rice storage place must furnish to the DGTI a report giving the name of the stockholder storing rice in the place and the quantity of rice stored by that person as at close of business on the last day of every month. The report must be submitted to the Trade and Industry Department not later than 7 days after the last day the report is to cover.

Notes:

1. Each approved rice storage place must abide by the conditions of approval which may be altered by the DGTI from time to time. The DGTI may withdraw the approval of a rice storage place if it fails to comply with any of the conditions.
2. This approval is given under Regulation 10 of the Reserved Commodities (Control of Imports, Exports and Reserved Stocks) Regulation (Cap. 296). It does not imply that any other legal requirement relating to the recipient of this approval, his business or the approved rice storage place has been complied with.