

MINISTRY OF FINANCE
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISION

NOTICE TO IMPORTERS

NO. 24 OF 2016

SUBJECT: LEGAL NOTICE NOS. 159, 160, 161 AND 162 OF 2016 WHICH AMEND:

THE CUSTOMS ACT, CHAP. 78:01;

THE EXCISE (GENERAL PROVISIONS) ACT, CHAP.78:50; AND

THE CUSTOMS (IMPORT DUTY) (CARIBBEAN COMMON MARKET) ORDER

The attention of all importers is drawn to:

1. The Customs (Common External Tariff) (Amendment) Order, 2016, made by the President under Section 8 of the Customs Act, Chap. 78:01 and published as **Legal Notice No. 159 of 2016**. The effect of this amendment is to increase the Rates of Import Duty applicable to the goods of Tariff Heading Numbers enumerated in the said Legal Notice, of **Non – Caricom Origin** being imported into Trinidad and Tobago.
2. The Customs (Import Duty) (Caribbean Common Market) (Amendment) Order, 2016, made by the President under Section 7(1) and 10 of the Customs Act, Chap. 78:01 and published as **Legal Notice No. 160 of 2016**. The effect of this amendment is to increase the Rates of Import Duty applicable to the goods of Tariff Heading Numbers enumerated in the said Legal Notice, of **Caricom Origin** being imported into Trinidad and Tobago.
3. The Excise Duty (Alcoholic Beverages) Order, 2016, made by the Minister under Section 13(2) of the Excise (General Provisions) Act, Chap. 78:50 and published as **Legal Notice No. 161 of 2016**. The effects of this Order are:
 - i. to revoke The Excise Duty (Alcoholic Beverages) Order, 2009; and
 - ii. increase the Excise Duty applicable to the goods of Tariff Heading Numbers enumerated in the said Legal Notice, **for consumption in** Trinidad and Tobago.
4. The Excise Duty (Tobacco Products) Order, 2016, made by the Minister under Section 13(2) of the Excise (General Provisions) Act, Chap. 78:50 and published as **Legal Notice No. 162 of 2016**. The effects of this Order are:
 - i. to revoke The Excise Duty (Tobacco Products) Order, 2009; and
 - ii. increase the Excise Duty applicable to the goods of Tariff Heading Numbers enumerated in the said Legal Notice, **for consumption in** Trinidad and Tobago.

These measures will take effect from October 20th, 2016.

Legal Notice Nos, 159,160,161 and 162 of 2016 can be viewed via

<http://www.news.gov.tt/archive/EGazette/Gazette%202016/Legal%20Notice/Legal%20Notice%20No.%20159%20of%202016.pdf>

Importers are to be guided accordingly.

Comptroller of Customs and Excise (Ag.)

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