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SULPHURIC ACID ACT

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1929 Ed.
c. 274

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An Act to regulate the importation, storage, removal and sale of Sulphuric Acid.

[21st April, 1928]

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Sulphuric Acid Act.

Interpretation.
[26 of 1949]
c. 82:01

2. In this Act—

“approved place of unloading” has the meaning assigned to that expression by section 2 of the Customs Act;

“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Police;

“sulphuric acid” means the corrosive and intensely acid liquid of oily consistence having a specific gravity of about 1.84 pertaining to or obtained from sulphur and commonly known as “oil of vitriol”, and includes any mixture containing any proportion of that acid.

Licence to import or sell by wholesale.

3. (1) No one shall import or sell by wholesale sulphuric acid unless he has first obtained from the Commissioner a licence in writing for that purpose.

(2) The Commissioner may at any time—

- (a) refuse to grant a licence under this section, or
- (b) cancel a licence granted by him, if in his opinion it is in the interest of the public or for the public safety so to do.

Landing of sulphuric acid.
[26 of 1949]
13 of 1996

4. All sulphuric acid imported into Guyana shall be landed at an approved place of unloading:

Provided that, with the permission of the Commissioner General and subject to any conditions he may impose, packages containing sulphuric acid may be discharged overside into boats, lighters, or other craft, for conveyance to an approved place of unloading or to a magazine.

Temporary storage.
[26 of 1949]

5. The owner of any approved place of unloading at which sulphuric acid is landed shall provide on that place for the temporary storage thereof a suitable store-room, constructed and secured to the satisfaction of the Commissioner, and all sulphuric acid landed at that place shall be placed in that store-room within twelve hours of landing, unless removed from that place under this Act

within that period.

Magazines for storage.

6.(1) No quantity of sulphuric acid exceeding twenty gallons shall be kept at any one place by any person except in a magazine duly certified in writing by the Commissioner as a fit and proper place for the storage of the acid.

(2) The magazine shall be used exclusively for the storage of sulphuric acid and of the receptacles, tools, and instruments used in connection therewith.

Permit for removal.

7. No quantity of sulphuric acid exceeding one gallon shall be removed from any premises without a written permit in that behalf granted by a superintendent of police to any person, being apparently above the age of eighteen years, on the application in writing, in the form in the Schedule of someone having an interest in the removal:

Schedule.

Provided that no permit shall be required for the removal of sulphuric acid from any magazine on a sugar estate for use at a factory on the same estate.

Regulations.

8. The Minister may make regulations for the purpose of carrying this Act into effect.

Penalty.

9. Anyone who acts in contravention of, or fails to comply with, any of the provisions of this Act or of any regulations made hereunder shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of three hundred dollars.

SCHEDULE

SULPHURIC ACID ACT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR REMOVAL

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Sulphuric Acid

make application for a permit to
remove.....gallons of sulphuric acid
from..... to to be delivered as
follows—

..... gallons to (name of consignee).

..... gallons to (name of consignee).

I declare that I am the owner (or as may be) of the said
sulphuric acid.

(Signed).....

Applicant

Date.....

To.....

Superintendent of Police

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

Reg. 4/5/1928

SULPHURIC ACID REGULATIONS*made under section 8*

Citation.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Sulphuric Acid Regulations.

Locking of store-room or magazine.

2. The door of any store-room or magazine for the storage of sulphuric acid shall be provided with a lock the key of which shall be kept by some responsible person, approved in writing by the Commissioner of Police, who shall only unlock the door for the purpose of receiving, attending to or delivering sulphuric acid or for some other necessary purpose.

Grant of permit for removal.

3. (1) Within twenty-four hours, exclusive of public holidays, of the receipt of an application for a permit for removal of sulphuric acid the superintendent of police receiving the same shall issue such permit, unless he is of opinion that it would not be consistent with the public safety so to do.

(2) Every permit shall specify the total quantity of sulphuric acid to be removed.

Sale by retail.

4. No sale by retail shall be of a greater quantity than two pints.