

## **FREE ZONE (TAX CONCESSION) REGULATIONS, 2010 (L.I. 1963)**

### **ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS**

#### Regulation

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IN exercise of the powers conferred on the Minister responsible for Trade and Industry by section 41 of the Free Zone Act, 1995 (Act 504) these Regulations are made this 19th day of November 2009.

#### Purpose and application

##### Regulation 1—Purpose

The purpose of these Regulations is to provide for the rate of tax payable by free zone companies that have operated for more than ten years.

##### Regulation 2—Criteria

Qualification for grant of tax concession by a free zone company is based on

- (a) performance;
- (b) location, and
- (c) contribution to the various subsectors of the economy

##### Regulation 3—Category of companies granted concession

The categories of companies which are entitled to the grant of the tax concession are in the First Schedule.

##### Regulation 4—Applicable income tax rates for enterprises in operation for over ten years.

The rate of income tax payable by a company under this Regulation is as specified in the Second Schedule.

## **SCHEDULES**

### **FIRST SCHEDULE**

(Regulation 3)

1. Agro Processing Companies located
  - (a) outside the Regional capitals

- (b) in the Northern, Upper East and Upper West Regions, and
- (c) in Tema in the Greater Accra Region and Regional capitals other than Accra Metropolis
- 2. Wood Processing Companies
- 3. Commercial Companies
- 4. Service Companies
- 5. Enclave Developers
- 6. Manufacturing Companies outside Regional Capitals
- 7. Garment and Textile Manufacturing Companies
- 8. Other Manufacturing Companies

**SECOND SCHEDULE**

(Regulation 4)

Rate of Income tax      Companies

0%

0%

4%

8%

8%

8%

8%

5%

4%

6%

- (a) Agro Processing Companies outside Regional Capitals
- (b) Agro Processing Companies in the Northern, Upper East and Upper West Regions
- (c) Agro Processing Companies in Regional Capitals and Tema in the Greater Accra Region except Northern, Upper East and Upper West Regions
- (d) Wood Processing Companies
- (e) Commercial Companies
- (f) Service Companies
- (g) Enclave Developers
- (h) Manufacturing Companies outside Regional Capitals
- (i) Garment and Textile Manufacturing Companies
- (j) Other Manufacturing Companies

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