

INTRODUCTORY NOTE

Order on the storage facilities, handling and transportation for supplying retailers of tobacco products.

The law N°46-02 on the regime of raw and manufactured tobacco provides in Chapter III section II that may be authorized only by the administration, wholesale distribution of manufactured tobacco, operators who :

- ✓ Justify a quality of a manufacturer declared and authorized, or having a purchase contract with a manufacturer established in the Kingdom or abroad;
- ✓ have storage facilities, handling and transportation necessary to ensure a continuous and regular supply of retailers authorized by the administration;
- ✓ Subscribe a commitment to contract with at least ten authorized retailers of tobacco in each prefecture or province.

The storage means, handling and transportation referred to in paragraph 2 of 15th Article of the law N° 46-02, are fixed by order of Minister in charge of industry and trade.

According to this order wholesale distributors of manufactured tobacco must :

1 - Have at least one distribution center in the administrative center of a region of the Kingdom and nineteen centers and / or warehouses covering all regions of the Kingdom with at least one center per region or warehouse. Centers and warehouses must have all the storage areas clean, free of odors and to preserve product quality. Cigars should be stored in local ensuring relative humidity of 65% to 70% and a temperature of 16°C to 18°C;

2 - Have at least one hundred (100) vehicles for the transport activity in aim to supply retailers with tobacco products;

3 - Contract with retail tobacconists based on a contract model attached to this order fixing the timing of delivery, duration of contract and obligations relating to the sale of tobacco products.

This is the purpose of this order.