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The Ministry of Finance issued this Directive in accordance with the power vested in it under Article 129 of the Customs Proclamation No. 859/2014 (as amended) and Article 13 of the Council of Ministers Investment Incentives Regulation No 517/2022

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SECTION ONE

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. SHORT TITLE

This Directive may be cited as "Directive No. ___/2022 to provide Duty Free Importation of Vehicles for Development Projects"

2. DEFINITIONS

In this Directive:

1/ "Vehicle" means includes truck or similar special purpose vehicle to transport dry, liquid, waste disposal truck or a truck assembled with refrigerator or Bus, Minibus, Midi-bus, Delivery Van and Motor Vehicles.

2/ "Bus" means a vehicle with a capacity of 30 passenger seats excluding folding seats.

3/ "Minibus" means a vehicle with a capacity of not less than 10 and not more than 16 passenger seats excluding folding seats.

4/ "Midi-bus" means a vehicle with a capacity of not less than 16 and not more than 29 passenger seat excluding folding seats.

5/ "Delivery Van" means a vehicle with a loading capacity of over 2500 Kilogram (Two Thousand Five Hundred kilogram).

6/ "Truck" means a vehicle with a loading capacity of more than 3500 Kilogram (Three Thousand Five Hundred kilogram) including the trailer.

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7/ "Special Purpose Vehicle" means vehicles similar to those under Article 15 of this Directive designed for use by sectors with special character and does not include vehicles for ordinary transport purposes.

8/ "Motorcycle" means a two-wheel vehicle irrespective of the capacity of the engine;

9/ "Duty" means all taxes and duties payable on importation and domestic manufacturing of vehicles.

10/ "Hotel" means an establishment offering lodging, food, and beverage and as may be needed recreational, conference and similar facilities to tourists and other clients.

11/ "Lodge" means an establishment located in natural surrounding and offering lodging, food and beverage, and as may be needed recreational, conference and similar services to tourists and other clients.

12/ "Restaurant" means an establishment offering food and beverage services to tourists and other clients.

13/ "Motel "means an establishment which is located in a town or, a suburb or alongside a highway and offering lodging, vehicle parking, and as may be needed food and beverage to tourists and other clients.

14/ "Resort Hotel" means a modern hotel established out of cities for the purpose of recreation or spending holidays.

15/ "Industry Park" shall have the meaning ascribed to it under the Industry Park Proclamation No. 886/2015.

16/ "Mining" means any operation or activity directed at extracting minerals from a mineral deposit on or in the earth and water, any residue depositor residue stockpile by any method and any operation incidental thereto such as storage, treatment, processing (excluding smelting and refining), transportation and disposal and includes geothermal development activities.

17/ "Licensee" means a person licensed by the appropriate authority in accordance with the Mining and Geothermal Resource Development Proclamation to carry out exploration or development of mines and geothermal resources.

18/ "Public Body" means a government entity established by law enacted by the federal or regional government and administered wholly or partly through a government budget;

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19/ "Civil Society Organization" shall have the meaning ascribed to it under Organizations of Civil Societies Proclamation No. 1113/2019.

20/ "Proclamation" means the Investment Proclamation No. 1180/2020.

21/ "Regulation" means Investment Incentives Council of Ministers Regulation No. 517/2022.

22/ The phrase duty free importation includes purchase of domestically produced vehicles free of taxes and duties.

23/ The definition assigned to Words and Phrases in the Investment Proclamation and Regulations as well as in the Mining Proclamation shall be applicable to this Directive.

3. Scope of Application

This Directive shall apply on duty free importation of vehicles as provided under Article 13 of the Investment Incentives Council of Ministers Regulation, Mining Proclamation no. 678/2010 (as amended), the Customs Proclamation No. 859/2014 (as amended), and Customs Regulations No. 89/1995 with the exception of double cabin and station wagon vehicles.

SECTION TWO

INVESTMENT SECTORS WHICH ARE ALLOWED TO IMPORT VEHICLES DUTY FREE AND THE TYPE AND QUANTITY OF VEHICLES

4. INVESTMENT SECTORS THAT ARE BENEFICIARIES OF THE INCENTIVE

The incentive to import vehicles duty free provided under this Directive shall be granted only to investors setting up new projects and expanding and upgrading existing investments in the sectors of manufacturing industry, industry park development, agriculture, logistics, construction contractors, star ranked hotels (including Resorts), Motels, Restaurants and Lodges; Railway infrastructure, Information and Communication Technology; Tour Operators; Electric Power Generation, Transmission and Distribution; Technical Inspection and Analysis Services and Commercial Works; Education and Training; Health Services; and Architecture and Engineering Works.

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5. VEHICLES ALLOWED FOR THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

1/ An investor who is engaged in one of the sectors listed under Schedule One attached to this Directive may be allowed to import vehicles listed under the schedule duty free depending on the area of investment and the business he engaged in.

2/ An investor who is engaged in the manufacturing industry sectors listed under schedule attached with this Directive may import the vehicles duty free upon submitting the following evidences to the authority approving the duty free:

a) evidence showing that he has acquired the land (if leased the factory building or business premise legally executed lease agreement);

b) An evidence issued by the relevant investment office showing that the project commenced operations such as land preparation, infrastructure, warehouse, road and similar works are completed;

c) Bill of lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles for use by the project are purchased from abroad and if such vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with relevant evidences;

d) If the investor operates in a leased factory building, evidence issued by the investment office in the area where the project is situated showing that erection of machinery has commenced; and

e) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free..

3/ Subject to the provisions of sub-letters "a" - "e" of sub article 2 of this Article an investor can only be allowed to import vehicles other than motorcycles duty free when submitting an evidence issued by the appropriate investment office to the authority granting duty free privilege showing that he has started test production after completing the investment..

6. VEHICLES ALLOWED FOR AGRICULTURAL INVESTMENT

1/ Vehicles for agricultural investment may be allowed to be imported duty free as per Schedule Two attached to this Directive.

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2/ The type and number of vehicles to be imported duty free by an investor engaged in the agricultural investment shall be determined based on the size of the agricultural land to be developed, the number of livestock, the number of beehive, the volume of artificial pond or the size of the land used for the project.

3/ Subject to the provisions of sub-articles 2 of this Article the investor may be allowed to import the vehicles duty free upon submitting the following evidences to the authority approving the duty free:

a) An evidence showing that he has acquired the land and if leased, legally executed lease agreement;

b) An evidence issued by the relevant regional investment office showing that the project commenced operations meaning land preparation, infrastructure, warehouse, road and similar works are completed; and

c) Bill of lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles for use by the project are purchased from abroad; or if the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences; and

d) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free.

4/ Subject to the provisions of sub-letters "a" - "d" of sub article 3 of this Article an investor can only be allowed to import vehicles other than motorcycles duty free when submitting an evidence issued by the appropriate investment office to the authority granting duty free privilege showing that he has started test production after completing the investment.

5/ The investor has the obligation to submit to the authority which approved the duty free privilege within one month from the commencement date of production, evidence from the appropriate organ which issued the license showing that after completing the investment activities and starts production the size of the agricultural land developed, the number of livestock, the number of beehive, the volume of artificial pond or the size of the land used for the project meets the requirement provided under Schedule two attached with this Directive and if he fails to do so or the volume is less than the required amount he will be liable to pay taxes and duties on the vehicles imported.

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7. VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED DUTY FREE BY INVESTORS ENGAGED IN CONTRUCTION

1/ An investor engaged in the construction sector and who have been issued with an investment permit may be allowed to import vehicles as provided under Schedule Three attached with this directive.

2/ An investor engaged in construction investment may import vehicles duty free upon submitting the following evidences to the authority approving the privilege:

a) Bill of lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles necessary to carry out the works are purchased from abroad; or

b) If the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences; and

c) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free.

8. VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED DUTY FREE BY INVESTMENTS IN STAR RATED HOTELS (INCLUDING RESORTS); MOTELS, RESTAURANTS AND LODGE SERVICES

1/ An investor who invested in star rated Hotels (including resorts), Motels, Restaurants or Lodges and who have been issued with an investment permit when meets the criteria set by the Ministry of Tourism may import duty free vehicles listed under Schedule Four attached to this Directive.

2/ An investor who invested in star rated Hotels (including resorts); Motels; Restaurants or Lodges may import vehicles duty free in accordance with sub article 1 of this Article when confirmed by the appropriate agency that the construction of the building is completed or when the lease agreement is submitted in case the building is available by way of lease.

3/ In addition to what stated on sub article 1 and 2 of this Article An investor who invested in star rated Hotels (including resorts), Motels, Restaurants or Lodges may import vehicles duty free upon submitting the following evidences to the authority approving the privilege:

a) Bill of lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles necessary to carry out the works are purchased from abroad; or

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b) If the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences; and

c) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free.

9. VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED DUTY FREE BY INVESTMENTS IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

1/ An investor who invested in Information and Communication Technology and who have been issued with an investment permit may be allowed to import three Delivery Vans.

2/ An investor who invested in Information and Technology may import such vehicles duty free upon submitting the following:

a) Bill of Lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles necessary to carry out the business are purchased from abroad; or

b) If the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences.

c) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free.

10. VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED DUTY FREE BY INVESTMENTS IN TOURISM SERVICE

1/ An Investor who invested in Tourism Service may be allowed to import duty free two mini-buses, two midi-buses and two buses.

2/ An investor who invested in Tourism Service shall not rent or use for purposes other than tourism the vehicle imported duty free in accordance with this Article.

3/ A vehicle may be imported duty free in accordance with sub-article 1 of this Article if the investor:

a) has invested in the sector by acquiring tour operator license from the relevant agency after fulfilling the criteria set by the Ministry of Tourism;

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b) Submits evidence from the manufacturer or supplier that the vehicles are new and signs an undertaking in front of Customs Commission that he will only use the vehicles for purposes of tour operation.

c) Bill of Lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles necessary to carry out the business are purchased from abroad; or

d) If the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences, and

e) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free.

4/ To identify vehicles imported duty free for purposes of tour operators in accordance with sub-articles 1 of this Article a mark to be prescribed by the Ministry of Tourism shall be affixed on them.

11. VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED DUTY FREE BY INVESTMENTS IN ELECRICITY GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION

1/ An investor who invested in electricity generation, transmission and distribution sectors may import vehicles duty free in accordance with Schedule Five attached with this Directive.

2/ An investor who invested in electricity generation, transmission and distribution sectors may import such vehicles duty free upon submitting the following:

a) Bill of Lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles necessary to carry out the business are purchased from abroad; or

b) If the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences.

c) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free.

12. VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED FOR LOGISTICS SECTOR

1/ An investor who invested in logistics sector may import the required quantity of vehicles duty free in accordance with Schedule Six attached herewith.

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2/ A vehicle may be imported duty free in accordance with sub-article 1 of this Article if the investor:

a) has invested in the sector by acquiring license from the relevant agency;

b) Submits Bill of Lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles necessary to carry out the business are purchased from abroad; or

c) If the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences; and

d) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free.

13. VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED FOR TECHNICAL INSPECTION AND ANALYSIS SERVICES, EDUCATION AND TRAINING, HEALTH SERVICES, ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING WORKS SECTOR

1/ An investor who invested in technical inspection and analysis services and trade in education and training, health services, architecture and engineering may import vehicles duty free in accordance with Schedule Seven attached with this Directive.

2/ A vehicle may be imported duty free in accordance with sub-article 1 of this Article if the investor:

a) has invested in the sector by acquiring license from the relevant agency;

b) Submits Bill of Lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles necessary to carry out the business are purchased from abroad; or

c) If the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences.

d) If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free.

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14. VEHICLES TO TRANSPORT WORKERS

1/ With the exception of Tour Operators, Investors who invested in investment sectors indicated under Article 4 of this Directive may be allowed to import vehicles duty free for use to transport their workers depending on the number of employees of the project in accordance with Schedule Eight attached with this Directive.

2/ Vehicles to transport workers may be imported duty free in accordance with sub article 1 of this Article if the Investor submits the following;

a) evidence showing that he has acquired land or if operated on leased land the lease agreement;

b) Bill of Lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles for use by the project are purchased from abroad; or

c) If the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences;

d) Evidence from regional investment office where the project is situated showing that the project has started production or rendering of service; and

e) At least three months payroll incorporating the list of permanent employees of the project and evidence that employment tax has been paid to the Government.

15. DUTY FREE IMPORTATION OF SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES

1/ Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 4 and 5 of this Directive an investor engaged in logistics services or in one of the activities specified under schedule one and two of this Directive may import free of duties special purpose refrigerated vehicles or vehicles to transport animals.

2/ Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 4 of this Directive any manufacturing industry may import free of duties liquid/waste truck.

3/ Any investor engaged in the sectors specified under Article 4 of this Directive may import free of duties ambulances to transport employees in case of emergency.

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SECTION THREE

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16. VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED DUTY FREE FOR MINING

1/ Any person who has acquired a license for exploration, small-scale, large-scale mining operation or a combination of mining exploration and operation or a mining cooperative established in accordance with the relevant law may import vehicles specified in schedule nine attached with this Directive duty free.

2/ A person with reconnaissance license or artisanal mining license is not entitled to import vehicles duty free.

17. CONDITIONS FOR IMPORTATION OF VEHICLES DUTY FREE

The type and quantity of vehicles to be imported duty free are determined based on the type of mining license, type of mines and the total investment on the project and the details are specified under Schedule Nine attached to this Directive.

18. SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCES

An investor engaged in the mining operations may be granted the privilege to import vehicles duty free upon submission of the following evidences:

1/ A copy of the license issued by the appropriate licensing authority verified with the original; and in the case of a cooperative the certificate issued by the appropriate authority and the mining license;

2/ Evidence issued by the licensing authority showing that project implementation such as camp preparation, infrastructure and other works have begun; and

3/ If a mining operation that Bill of Lading or airway bill or truck way bill and invoice showing that the vehicles for use by the project are purchased from abroad; or if the vehicles are purchased from local sources the purchase contract with necessary evidences,

4/ If vehicles are purchased using bank loan the loan agreement and/or if purchased using own fund a bank statement showing the amount in the bank account three months before the date of application for duty free, and

5/ When a request is made to import a vehicle to transport workers duty free, a payroll incorporating the list of permanent employees of the project and a document showing that employment tax has been paid to the tax authority.

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SECTION FOUR

TYPE AND QUANTITY OF VEHICLES TO BE IMPORTED DUTY FREE FOR PUBLIC BODIES AND CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS

19. TYPES AND QUANTITY OF VEHICLES

Public bodies and Civil Society Organizations may for purposes of execution of projects import or purchase from the domestic market free of taxes and duties the type of vehicles listed in the schedules attached with this Directive in a quantity specified in the project document..

20. DOCUMENTS THAT SHALL BE SUBMITTED BY CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS

1/ Civil Society Organizations may import or purchase from the domestic market vehicles specified under Article 19 of this directive free of taxes and duties upon submitting the following documents:

a) an agreement signed with the relevant Public Body showing that the project to which the vehicle is to be used has been approved by the relevant federal or regional public body;

b) a project proposal affirming that the project has over six months remaining to be completed;

c) a renewed registration certificate of civil organizations issued by the Authority for Civil Societies organizations;

d) the bill of lading, airway bill, invoice and packing list of the vehicle prepared in the name of the Civil Society Organization;

e) if the vehicle is purchased locally the purchase contract and necessary documents;

f) if the vehicle is obtained as a donation the donation certificate; and

g) a support letter from the relevant supervising public organ.

2/ A vehicle imported duty free in accordance with this directive may only be transferred to another entity as per Article 46 of Organizations of Civil Society Proclamation No. 1113/2019 and applicable customs laws.

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3/ The Authority for Civil Societies Organizations shall report to the Ministry of Finance before a vehicle imported duty free is transferred to another entity as per the decision of the liquidators or itself due to the completion of the project or dissolution of the organization.

21. DOCUMENTS THAT SHAL BE SUBMITTED BY PUBLIC BODIES

Public Bodies may only import or purchase from the domestic market vehicles listed in the schedules attached with this directive upon submitting the following documents;

1/ a letter in which the public body applies for duty free status of the vehicle;

2/ the budget allocated to purchase the vehicle;

3/ bill of lading, invoice and packing list of the vehicle;

4/ if donated a donation certificate affirming the donation; and

5/ a project document approved by the relevant organ.

SECTION FIVE

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

22. VEHICLES ASSEMBLED/PRODUCED DOMESTICALLY

If an investor or institution with duty free privilege purchases a vehicle assembled/produced in Ethiopia taxes and duties paid on inputs used by the manufacturer to produce the vehicle shall be reimbursed.

23. EXPANSION OF INVESTMENTS/MINING ACTIVITIES

An investor who is engaged in investment/ Mining activities specified under Articles 4 and 16 of this Directive who expands/upgrades the existing enterprise may import additional one vehicle from the list of vehicles provided under Articles 3, 4, 9, 10 and Article 11 and 14 as appropriate.

24. PROHIBITION

A person or organization who is granted permission to import vehicles duty free:

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1/ shall not use such vehicles for purposes other than for which the exemption was granted;

2/ shall be liable to penalties under the Customs laws in addition to paying the duties and taxes payable on such vehicles if found using the vehicle for purposes other than for which the exemption was granted.

25. DIRECTIVES REPEALED AND NOT APPLICABLE

1/ Directive No. 4/2012 on Granting of Duty-Free Privilege for Importation of Vehicles issued by the Ethiopian Investment Board is hereby repealed.

2/ Directive No. 4/2009 on granting of duty-free privilege for importation of vehicles issued by the Ministry of Mines is hereby repealed.

3/ Provisions dealing with importation of vehicles under Directive No.79/2003 to provide Duty and Tax Exemption for Goods imported by Public Bodies and Civil Society Organizations are not applicable.

4/ No Directive or customary practice shall have effect with respect to matters provided for in this Directive in so far as it is inconsistent with this Directive.

26. TRANSITORY PROVISION

1/ Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 25(1) and (2) of this Directive, regarding investors who have obtained investment permit or mining exploration or development license prior to the issuance of this Directive, the revised Investment Board directive No.4/ 2012 and Ministry of Mines and Energy Directive No. 4/2009 shall continue to be applicable, with the exception of importation of station wagons and pickups.

2/ Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 25(3) of this Directive Public Bodies, Higher Education Institutions and Organizations of Civil Societies which prior to the issuance of this Directive were granted privilege to import vehicles under Directive No 79/2003 to provide duty free importation of goods by Public Bodies, Higher Education Institutions and Charities and Societies may import such vehicles.



27. Effective Date

This Directive shall be effective from the date of its publication in the website address of the Ministry of Finance.

Addis Ababa ___ day of _____2022

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Schedule One

Vehicles Permitted Imported Duty free for Manufacturing Industry Investments (By Investment Areas and Administration Area)

Investment Area	Investment Place			
	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Areas	
	Delivery Van	Truck	Delivery Van	Truck
1. Food Industry				
1.1 Processing and Preserving of Meat and Meat Products	Two	One	Three	Two
1.2 Processing of Fish and Fish Products	Two	One	Three	Two
1.3. Processing and Preserving Vegetables and Fruits	Two	One	Three	Two
1.4 Manufacturing of Edible Oil	One	The required amount	One	The required amount
1.5 Processing of Milk and/or Manufacturing of Dairy Products	One	One	One	Two
1.6 Manufacture of food Supplements, Additions or Substances or Starches and Starch Products	One	One	One	Two
1.7 Procesing Of Grain Products (Excluding Production of Flour)	One	Two	One	Two
1.8 Manufacure of Sugar	One	One	One	Two
1.9 Manufacture of Macaroni, Pasta and/or Other Simillar Food items	One	One	One	Two
1.10 Manufacture of iodized salt	One	Not permitted	One	One

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Investment Area	Investment Place			
	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Areas	
	Delivery Van	Truck	Delivery Van	Truck
1.11 Manufacture Artificial Honey	One	Not permitted.	One	One
1.12 Manufacture of Roasted and Grained Coffee, Instant Coffee and Tea	One	Not permitted	One	One
1.13 Processing of Animal Feed	One	Not permitted	One	One
2. Beverage Industry				
2.1 Manufacturing of alcoholic Beverages	Not permitted	One	One	Two
2.2. Manufacture of Wines	One	One	One	Two
2.3. Manufacture of Beer and/or Beer Malt	One	One	One	Two
2.4. Manufacture of Mineral and Other bottled water	One	Two	Two	Three
2.5. Manufacture of Soft Drinks	One	Two	Two	Three
3. Textile and Textile Products Industry				
3.1. Manufacture of Different made-up Textile articles, fibers, spinning and finishing (excluding apparels)	One	One	Two	Two
3.2. Finishing of fabrics, yarn, wrap and weft apparel and other textile products by bleaching, Dyeing, Shrinking, sanforizing, mercerizing or dressing	One	One	Two	Two
3.3. Manufacture of Made-up textile articles or sweaters or towels or carpets except apparels	One	One	Two	Two
3.4. Manufacture of textile Apparels (including sportswear) and other accessories	One	One	Two	Two

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Investment Area	Investment Place			
	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Areas	
	Delivery Van	Truck	Delivery Van	Truck
4. Leather and Leather Products Industry				
4.1. Tanning of hides and skins up to finished levels (excluding tanning of hides and skins below finished level)	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
4.2. Tanning of hides and skins below finished level	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
4.3.Manufacture of leather products and/or accessories	One	One	One	Two
4.4. Manufacture of Shoes from leather and/or substitutes of leather	Two	Two	Two	Two
5. Wood Products Industry				
5.1. Manufacture of wood Products (excluding saw milling, timber making and assembling semi-finished wood products)	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
6. Paper and Paper Products Industry				
6.1. Manufacture of Pulp and/or Paper	One	One	One	Two
6.2. Manufacture of Paper	One	One	One	Two
7. Printing Industry	One	One	One	Two
8. Chemical and Chemical Products Industry				
8.1. Manufacture of Basic Chemicals (including ethanol and/or artificial fibers) and/or hydrogen and ammonia	One	One	One	Two
8.2. Manufacture of Fertilizers and/or nitrogen compounds	Not permitted	The required amount.	Not permitted	The required amount.
8.3. Manufacture of plastics and/or synthetic rubber raw materials in primary forms and rubber products	Not permitted	Two	Not permitted	Two

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	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Areas	
	Delivery Van	Truck	Delivery Van	Truck
8.4 Manufacture of Pesticides and Agricultural Chemicals	One	Two	One	Two
8.5.Manufacture of paints, Varnishes or similar coatings and/or non-basic chemicals	One	Two	One	Two
8.6. Manufacture of Sanitary and Cosmetics	One	Two	One	Two
9. Basic Pharmaceutical Products and Pharmaceutical Preparations Industry				
9.1.Manufacture of inputs of basic pharmaceutical preparations	One	One	One	Two
9.2.Manufacture of human medicines(including vaccines)	Two	Two	Two	Two
9.3.Manufacture of Animal medicines (including vaccines)	Two	Two	Two	Two
9.4. Manufacture of packaging materials relating to medicine.	Two	Two	Two	Two
9.5. Packaging of Medicines activities	Two	Two	Two	Two
10. Plastic Products Industry				
10.1 Manufacture of Plastic Products excluding Plastic bags	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted
11. Other Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industry				
11.1. Manufacture of Glass and/or Glass of Ceramic Products	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
11.2. Manufacture of Cement	Not permitted	The required amount.	Not permitted	The required amount.
11.3. Manufacture of Clay and Cement Products	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	One

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	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Areas	
	Delivery Van	Truck	Delivery Van	Truck
11.4.Cutting,Shapping and Finishing of stone Products, marble and limestone excluding quarrying	Not permitted	Two	Not permitted	Two
11.5. Manufacture of lime, gypsum and/or similar coatings	Not permitted	Two	Not permitted	Two
12.Basic Metals Industry (Excluding mining of the Minerals)				
12.1.Manufacture of iron, steel and iron products	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
12.2. Manufacture of basic precious and other non-ferrous metals	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
12.3. Casting of iron and non-magnetic and produce such items in different shapes	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
13. Structural Metal Products Industry				
13.1. Manufacture structural and different metal Products(except corrugated metal sheets for roofing and nails)	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
14.Computer,Electronic and Optical Products Industry				
14.1.Manufacture of Computers and accessories and/or electronic components and boards	One	One	One	One
14.2. Manufacture of Communication equipment or Consumer electronics (television, DVD, Radio and similar items).	One	One	One	One
14.3. Manufacture of Measuring, Testing, Surveying, controlling equipment and watches	One	Not permitted	One	Not permitted
14.4. Manufacture of Medical Equipment and Supplies	One	One	One	One
14.5. Medical Equipment Assembly	One	One	One	One

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	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Areas	
	Delivery Van	Truck	Delivery Van	Truck
14.6. Manufacture of Optical instruments or Photographic equipment or magnetic and optical media items.	One	One	One	One
15. Electrical Products Industry				
15.1. Manufacture of electrical products	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	One
16. Production Machinery/Service Equipment and goods Industry				
16.1.Manufacture of General-Purpose Machinery	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
16.2. Manufacture of Machineries used for different purpose	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
17. Manufacture of Transport Vehicles and Other Transport Equipment				
17.1. Manufacture of Motor Vehicles	Not permitted	Two	Not permitted	Two
17.2.Manufacture of Vehicle Components, Trailers and/or Semi-trailers or Spare parts and accessories	Not permitted	Two	Not permitted	Two
17.3. Manufacture of railway or railway or tram locomotives as well as trolley cars and wagons	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
17.4.Manufacture of motor bicycles, bicycles and Three Wheel Vehicles	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two
17.5. Building of boats	Not permitted	One	Not permitted	Two

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Investment Area	Investment Place			
	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Areas	
	Delivery Van	Truck	Delivery Van	Truck
18. Manufacture of office and household furniture (excluding those made from ceramics)	One	One	One	One
19. Manufacture of arts and gift articles, artificial jewelry, musical and sports items.	One	One	One	One
20. Integrated manufacturing industry with agriculture	Two	Three	Three	Four
21. Development and rental of industry park including ICT Park	Two	Three	Three	Four





Schedule Two

Vehicles Permitted to be Imported Duty Free for Agriculture Investments (By Investment Areas and Administration Area)

Agriculture	Cultivated Land Area (By hectare)	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Area	
		Motor Bicycles	Truck	Motor Bicycles	Truck
1. Agricultural Development					
1.1. Annual Crop Production					
1.1.1. Growing of Cereals, Leguminous Crops or sugarcane 1.1.2. Growing of oil seeds 1.1.3. Growing of Cereals	From 200-300	One	Three	One	Three
	From 300 -1000	Two	Four	Two	Four
	From 1000-2000	Two	Five	Three	Five
	From 2000-3000	Two	Six	Four	Six
	From 3000-4000	Two	Seven	Five	Seven
	Above 5000	Three	Eight	Six	Eight
1.1.4. Growing Vegetables, Fruits, Herbs as well as Certified Seeds	From 50-100	Not permitted.	Two	One	Two
	Above 100	Not permitted.	Four	One	Four
1.1.5. Growing and Processing Fiber Crops	Above 50	One	One	One	One
1.1.6. Growing Animal Feeds, Medicinal Crops, Aromatic, Spices and Other Crops for Similar Purposes	From 10-30	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
	Above 30	Not permitted.	One	One	Two

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Agriculture	Cultivated Land Area (By hectare)	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Area	
		Motor Bicycles	Truck	Motor Bicycles	Truck
1.2.Growing of Medium-Term Crops					
1.2.1. Growing of Flowers	From 10-30	Not permitted.	One	Not permitted.	One
	Above 30	Not permitted.	One	One	One
1.2.2. Growing of Pepper and Spices	From 50-100	Not permitted.	Two	One	Three
	Above 100	Not permitted.	Two	One	Three
1.3. Growing Permanent Crops					
1.3.1. Coffee and/or tea plantation 1.3.2.Rubber tree, Jatropha and/or palm	From 200-300	One	Three	One	Three
	From 300-1000	One	Four	Two	Four
	From 1000-2000	One	Five	Three	Five
	From 2000-3000	One	Six	Four	Six
	From 3000-4000	One	Seven	Five	Seven
	Above 5000	One	Eight	Six	Eight
2. Animal Production					
2.1. Farming domestic and/or wild animals and Production of their outputs(excluding fattening)	From 200-500	Not permitted.	One	Not permitted.	One
	Above 500	Not permitted.	One	Not permitted.	Two
2.2 Farming of chicken and/or birds and production of their outputs	From 2,000-10,000	Not permitted.	One	Not permitted.	One
	From 10,000-50,000	Not permitted.	One	Not permitted.	Two
	Above 50,000	Not permitted.	Two	Not permitted.	Three

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Agriculture	Cultivated Land Area (By hectare)	Addis Ababa and Oromia Special Zone Surrounding Addis Ababa		Other Area	
		Motor Bicycles	Truck	Motor Bicycles	Truck
2.3. Farming of bees/Producing honey	Above 1,000 Beehive	Not permitted.	One	Not permitted.	One
2.4. Production of Silk	Above 1 hectare	Not permitted.	One	Not permitted.	One
2.5. Fish Farming in artificial ponds(aquaculture)	1,250 meter cube and above	Not permitted.	One	Not permitted.	One
3. Mixed (Crops and Animal) Farming	From 200-300	One	Three	One	Three
	From 300 -1000	One	Four	Two	Four
	From 1000-2000	Two	Five	Three	Five
	From 2000-3000	Two	Six	Four	Six
	From 3000-4000	Two	Seven	Five	Seven
	Above 5000	Three	Eight	Six	Eight
4. Forestry and related activities	Above 100 hectare	One	One	Two	Two

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Schedule Three

Vehicles Permitted to be Imported Duty Free for Construction Contractor Industry (Based on Levels)

No.	Construction	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
1	**Construction Contracting**					
	Truck	Seven	Six	Five	Four	One
	Truck fitted with water tanker	One	One	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted
	Truck fitted with water spray	One	One	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted
	Grader	Three	Two	One	One	Not permitted
	Excavator	Three	Two	One	One	Not permitted
	Loader	Three	Two	One	One	Not permitted
	Roller	Three	Two	One	One	Not permitted
2	**Water Well Drilling**	1 Drilling rig , 1 Crain Truck and 1 Truck				
3	**Mineral, Petroleum and geothermal Exploration Drilling**	1 Drilling rig, 1 Crain Truck and 1 Truck				

Schedule Four

Vehicle Permitted to Imported Duty Free for Star Level Hotels (Including Resort Hotel), Motel, Restaurant and Loge Service Investments

No.	Star Level	Type of Vehicles and amount
1.	1 or 2	2 Minibus and 1 Midi-bus
2.	3 and 4	3 Minibus and 2 Midi-bus
3	5 and Above	4 Minibus and 3 Midi-bus

Schedule Five

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Vehicles Permitted to be imported Duty Free for Electricity Generation, Transmission and Distribution Investment

No.	Electricity Generation	Type of Vehicles and amount
1.	Up to 50 Megawatt	2 Truck
2.	Above 50 Megawatt - 150 Megawatt	3 Truck
3.	Above 150 Megawatt	4 Truck

Schedule Six

Vehicles Permitted to be imported Duty Free for Logistics Investment

No.	Investment Area	Type of Vehicles
	Logistics Service	
1.	Cooling warehouse Services	Trucks
2.	Silos Warehouse Service	Trucks
3.	Dry port Services	Trucks

Schedule Seven

Education and Training, Health Services, Architectural and Engineering Works Technical Testing and Analysis, Import Trade and Wholesale Trade

Investment Area	Type of Vehicles and amount
1. Education and Training	
1.1. Secondary and Higher Education	2 bus, 1 mid-bus
1.2. Kindergarten, Elementary and junior secondary school	2 bus, 1 mid-bus
1.3. Technical and Vocational(including sports) training Services	2 bus, 1 mid-bus
2. Health Services	
2.1. Provision of Tertiary specialized Hospitals Services	3 bus, 2 minibus
2.2. Provision of hospital service	2 bus, 1 minibus
2.3. Provision of diagnostic services	2 bus,
2.4. Provision of Clinical Service	1 minibus
3. Architectural and Engineering Works, Technical Testing and Analysis	
3.1. Architectural and Engineering Works and related technical consultancy Services	1 minibus
3.2. Technical Survey and analysis	1 minibus
3.3. Geophysics and laboratory services	1 minibus
4. Import Trade	

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4.1 Importation of LPG and Bitumen	1 Truck
5.Wholesale Trade	
5.1Supply of Petroleum and Petroleum Products as well as wholesale of own Products	Not permitted

Schedule Eight

Vehicles Permitted to be Imported Duty Free for the Transportation of Workers

Number of Permanent Workers	Types of Vehicles
From 10 -25	1 Minibus or 1 Mid-bus
From 26 - 50	2 Minibus or 2 Mid-bus or 1 autobus
Above 50	3 Minibus or 3 mid-bus or 2 autobus

Schedule Nine

Import of Vehicles Permitted for Duty Free for Mining Investment (By Mining Investment)

Types of License	Types of Minerals	Amount of Capital (in ETB	Type of Vehicles	
			Motor Bicycle	Truck
Product	Metal and Precious Minerals	From 8 -15 Million	One	Two
		From 15- 30 Million	Two	Three
		Above 30 Million	Three	Four
	Industry and Construction	From 3-15 Million	One	Two
		From 15-30 million	Three	Three
		Above 30 Million	Four	Five
	Gemstone	From 3-15 Million	One	One
		From 15-30 Million	Two	Three
		Above 30 Million	Four	Five
	Salt	From 5-15 Million	One	Two
		From 15-30 Million	Two	Three
		Above 30 Million	Three	Five
	Geothermal Deposits	From 5-15 Million	One	Two
		From 15-30 Million	Two	Three
		Above 30 Million	Three	Five

Product (only for cooperative association)	For All Minerals	From 1-5 Million	Two	Two
		Above 5 Million	Three	Three

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