



STATEMENT BY THE MINISTRY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY ON:

### **Requirements to start up a business and Reserved Licenses**

The Ministry of Trade and Industry wishes to remind the trading community and the public in general about the requirements that need to be met for any individual who intends to **start a business**. These are:

1. Health certificate (**for food handlers**) issued by Ministry of Health. Applicable only to Snack Bar, Butchery and others.
2. Health certificate (**for business premises**) issued by Maseru City Council
3. Lease or Form C2
4. Sublease Agreement, for rented business premises
5. Certified Passport Copy
6. Tax clearance ( valid for license renewal)

The list below depicts business activities, **reserved exclusively for Basotho**. These business activities are not open to foreign nationals.

1. Agent of a foreign firm
2. Barber
3. Basotho beer shop
4. Butcher
5. Snack bar
6. Domestic Fuel Dealer
7. Dairy shop
8. General café
9. General Dealer
10. Greengrocer
11. Hawker
12. Street photographer

- 13. Broker
- 14. Mini Supermarket
- 15. Hair and beauty salon
- 16. Tentage dealer

The Business community is therefore reminded that foreign nationals are not allowed to operate reserved businesses as provided for in the **Trading Enterprises Regulations 1999**. The licenses for these particular business activities are not transferable to foreign nationals.

The Ministry is in the process of embarking on a joint inspection campaign with the Ministries of Labour and Employment, Home Affairs and Police to ensure compliance to these requirements. Failure to comply with these requirements will be met with punitive measures being taken against perpetrators.

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POLELO KA LEKALA LA KHOEBO LE MESEBETSI E MEHOLO MABAPI LE TSE HLOKAHALANG HO QALA KHOEBO LE KA LIKHOEBO TSE TŠOAETSOENG BASOTHO FEELA.

LEKALA LA KHOEBO LE MESEBETSI E MEHOLO LE HOPOTSA BAHOEBI LE SECHABA KAKARETSO KA TSE HLOKAHALANG HO QALA KHOEBO.

KE TSE LATELANG;

1. LENGOLO LA BOPHELO (BAKENG LA BATHO BA SEBETSANANG LE LIJO) LE FANOANG KE LEKALA LA BOPHELO, LE HLOKOA HAHOLO KE LIKHOEBO TSA “SNACK BAR”, SELAKHA LE TSE LING.
2. LENGOLO LA BOPHELO (BAKENG LA MATLO A KHOEBO) LE FANOANG KE ‘MASEPALA.
3. LEASE KAPA FORMC2
4. LENGOLO LA TUMELLANO EA KHIRO EA SEBAKA SA KHOEBO
5. LENGOLO LA HO KHAFATSA ( HO NCHAFATSA LAKESENSE)
6. KOPI E NETEFALITSOENG EA LENGOLO LA BOITSEBISO

**LETHATHAMO LE LATELANG KE LA MESEBETSI EA KHOEBO, TSEO ELENG TSA BASOTHO FEELA, ESENG MELATA.**

1. MOEMELI OA KHOEBO E TSOANG KA NTLE HO NAHA – (**AGENT OF A FOREIGN FIRM**)
2. KHOEBO EA HO KUTA MORIRI - **BARBER**

3. KHOEBO EA THEKISO EA JOALA – **BASOTHO BEER SHOP**
4. SELAKHA - **BUTCHER**
5. “SNACK BAR”
6. KHOEBO EA LIBESO – **DOMESTIC FUEL DEALER**
7. KHOEBO EA LEBESE – **DAIRY SHOP**
8. K’HEFI –**GENERAL CAF`E**
9. ‘MA/RALEBENKELE – **GENERAL DEALER**
10. THEKISO EA MEROHO LE LITHOLOANA – **GREEB GROCER**
11. BAITŠOKOLI - **HAWKER**
12. HO NKA LIFOTO SETERATENG – **STREET PHOTOGRAPHER**
13. MOEMELI OA KHOEBO - **BROKER**
14. SUPERMARKET E NYENYANE – **MINI SUPERMARKET**
15. KHOEBO EA TOKISO EA MORIRI LE TSE TSAMAEANG LE EONA
16. KHIRISO EA LITENTE

KA HONA, HO LATELA MOLAO LE MELAOANA EA KHOEBO OA 1999,(TRADING ENTERPRISE REGULATIONS 1999) BAHOEBI BA HOPOTSOA HORE BAHOEBI BA MELATA, HA BA A LOKELA HO KENA LIKHOEBONG TSEO ELENG TSA BASOTHO. HAPE MANGOLO A KHOEBO TSENA HA A FITISETSOE HO BAHOEBI BA MELATA.

LEKALA LA KHOEBO, ‘MOHO LE MAKALA A SEPOLESA,BOSEBETSI LE KHIRO LE LEKALA LA TSA LEHAE A MOTHATING OA HO QALA LETŠOLO LA HO HLAHLOBA LIKHOEBO ELE HO NETEFATSA HORE BAHOEBI BA SEBETSA HO LATELA MOLAO OA KHOEBO OA 1999, JOALO KA HA HO HLALOSITSOE..

BOHATO BO MATLA BO TLA NKOA KHAHLANONG LE BAHOEBI BA TLA FUMANOA BA SA IKOBELE TSOHLE TSE BOLETSOENG KA HOLIMO, HO LATELA MOLAO.

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