

SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE

NO. R. 7903

11 September 2026

**CUSTOMS AND EXCISE ACT, 1964.
AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE NO. 1 (NO. 1/3B/17)**

In terms of section 48 of the Customs and Excise Act, 1964, Part 3B of Schedule No. 1 to the said Act is hereby amended, **with retrospective effect from 1 January 2026**, to the extent set out in the Schedule hereto.


ENOCH GODONGWANA
MINISTER OF FINANCE

SCHEDULE

By the deletion of Section B to Part 3 of Schedule No. 1:

SCHEDULE 1 / PART 3 / SECTION B

NOTES:

1. Any rate of environmental levy specified in item 148.01 shall, subject to Note 2, apply to electricity generated in the Republic.
2. For the purposes of item 148.01 electricity generated under the following circumstances will not be liable for the payment of environmental levy -
 - (a) electricity generated by electricity generation plants with an installed capacity not exceeding 5 megawatts;
 - (b) electricity generated from renewable sources; and
 - (c) subject to Note 5 (a), (b) or (c) electricity generated from co-generation by using -
 - (i) waste heat or energy from waste co-generation;
 - (ii) combined heat and power co-generation; or
 - (iii) renewable co-generation;
 - (d) electricity generated from-
 - (i) concentrated solar power; and
 - (ii) non-renewable sources of which the energy input does not exceed 15 per cent of the total energy input, over a calendar year.
3. Electricity generated at an electricity generation plant is liable for the environmental levy calculated on the quantity generated at the time such generation of electricity takes place and any losses incurred subsequent to the electricity generation process or electricity exported shall not be deducted or set off from the total quantity of electricity accounted for on the monthly environmental levy account.
4. For the purposes of item 148.01.01 the following expressions shall, unless the context otherwise indicates, have the meanings assigned thereto -
 - (a) co-generation means the generation of electricity contemplated in Note 2(c);
 - (b) electricity generation plant means one or more electricity generation unit on the same premises;
 - (c) renewable sources means -
 - (i) biomass;
 - (ii) geothermal;
 - (iii) hydro;
 - (iv) ocean currents;
 - (v) solar;
 - (vi) tidal waves; or

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	(vii)	wind;
(d)	non-renewable sources includes-	
	(i)	coal;
	(ii)	petroleum based liquid fuels;
	(iii)	natural gas; or
	(iv)	nuclear;
5.	For the purposes of Note 2(c) -	
	(a)	waste heat or energy from waste co-generation means generation utilising waste or under utilised energy in the form of waste heat or process furnace off-gas from an industrial process with a minimum of 60% of the total energy input over a calendar year for such generation to come from such waste or under utilised energy.
	(b)	combined heat and power co-generation means generation which produces as part of the core design other useable forms of energy in addition to electricity utilising coal or natural gas with a minimum co-production of steam or thermal energy other than electricity over a calendar year of at least 10% of total combined process energy.
	(c)	renewable co-generation means generation where the renewable fuel source is both a primary source of energy used for generation and a co-product of an industrial process with a minimum of 50% of the total energy input over a calendar year to come from such renewable fuel sources being sugar bagasse, woody biomass, black liquor or mill wastes such as organic soaps and methanol.
6.	For the purpose of Note 2(d) and Note 5-	
	(a)	calendar year means a period of twelve months from 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010 and thereafter a period of twelve months from 1 July of any other year to the end of June of the following year; and
	(b)	a report by an engineer must be submitted to the Commissioner in respect of the electricity generated from the sources used during each calendar year as contemplated in Rule 54FA.10.
7.	An electricity generation plant generating electricity liable to environmental levy in terms of item 148.01.01 must be licensed as a customs and excise manufacturing warehouse in accordance with the provisions of Chapter VA and the rules made thereunder.	

By the deletion of the following:

Electricity Levy Item	Tariff Heading	Article Description	Rate of Electricity Levy
148.00		ELECTRICAL ENERGY	

By the deletion of the following:

Electricity Levy Item	Tariff Heading	Article Description	Rate of Electricity Levy
148.01.01	2716.00	Electricity generated in the Republic, subject to the Notes hereto	3,5c/kW.h

SUID-AFRIKAANSE INKOMSTEDIENS

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DOEANE- EN AKSYNSWET, 1964.
WYSIGING VAN BYLAE NO. 1 (NO. 1/3B/17)

Kragtens artikel 48 van die Doeane- en Aksynswet, 1964, word Deel 3B van Bylae No. 1 by bogenoemde Wet hiermee gewysig, met terugwerkende krag vanaf 1 Januarie 2026, in die mate in die Bylae hierby aangetoon.



ENOCH GODONGWANA
MINISTER VAN FINANSIES

BYLAE

Deur die skraping van Afdeling B tot Deel 3 van Bylae No. 1:

BYLAAG 1 / DEEL 3 / AFDELING B

OMGEWINGSHEFFING OP ELEKTRISITEIT OPGEWEK IN DIE REPUBLIEK

OPMERKINGS:

1. Enige skaal van omgewingsheffing gespesifiseer in item 148.01.01 is, behoudens Opmerking 2 op elektrisiteit opgewek in die Republiek van toepassing.
2. Vir die doeleindes van item 148.01.01 sal elektrisiteit opgewek onder die volgende omstandighede nie onderhewig aan die betaling van omgewingsheffing nie -
 - (a) elektrisiteit opgewek deur 'n elektrisiteitopwekkingsaanleg met 'n gennstalleerde kapasiteit van hoogstens 5 megawatt;
 - (b) elektrisiteit opgewek van hernieubare bronne;
 - (c) behoudens Opmerking 5(a), (b) of (c) elektrisiteit opgewek deur mede-opwekking deur gebruik van -
 - (i) afvalhitte of energie van afval mede-opwekking;
 - (ii) gekombineerde hitte en krag mede-opwekking; of
 - (iii) hernieubare mede-opwekking;
 - (d) elektrisiteit opgewek van -
 - (i) gekonsentreerde sonkrag; en
 - (ii) nie-hernieubare bronne waarvan die energie inset nie 15% van die totale energie inset gedurende 'n kalender jaar oorskry nie.
3. Elektrisiteit opgewek by 'n kragopwekkingsaanleg is onderhewig aan die omgewingsheffing bereken op die hoeveelheid opgewek ten tye wanneer sodanige opwekking van elektrisiteit plaasvind en enige verliese gely na die elektrisiteitsopwekkingsproses of elektrisiteit uitgevoer, word nie afgetrek van of verreken teen die totale hoeveelheid elektrisiteit wat op die maandelikse omgewingsheffingrekening verantwoord word nie.
4. Vir die doeleindes van item 148.01.01 het die volgende uitdrukkings, tensy uit die samehang anders blyk, die betekenis daaraan toegewys -
 - (a) mede-opwekking beteken die opwekking van elektrisiteit soos beoog in Opmerking 2(c);
 - (b) elektrisiteitopwekkingsaanleg beteken een of meer elektrisiteit opwekkings-eenheid op dieselfde perseel.
 - (c) hernieubare bronne beteken -
 - (i) biomassa;
 - (ii) geotermies;
 - (iii) hidro;
 - (iv) seestrome;

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	(v)	son;
	(vi)	vloedgolwe; of
	(vii)	wind;
(d)	nie-hernieubare bronne sluit in -	
	(i)	steenkool;
	(ii)	petroleumbasis vloeibare brandstowwe;
	(iii)	natuurlike gas; of
	(iv)	kern.
5.	Vir die doeleindes van Opmerking 2(c) -	
	(a)	afvalhitte of energie van afval mede-opwekking beteken opwekking wat afval of onder-gebruikte energie in die vorm van afvalhitte of proses fornuis afgang van 'n nywerheids proses gebruik met 'n minimum van 60% van die totale energie inset gedurende 'n kalenderjaar vir sodanige opwekking wat van sodanige afval of onder-gebruikte energie moet kom.
	(b)	gekombineerde hitte en krag mede-opwekking beteken opwekking wat as deel van die kern ontwerp, ander bruikbare vorms van energie vervaardig behalwe elektrisiteit wat steenkool of natuurlike gas gebruik met 'n minimum mede-vervaardiging van stoom of termiese energie behalwe elektrisiteit gedurende 'n kalenderjaar van minstens 10% van die totale gekombineerde proses energie.
	(c)	hernieubare mede-opwekking beteken opwekking waar die hernieubare brandstofbron beide die primêre bron van energie gebruik vir opwekking en 'n mede-produk van 'n nywerheidsproses is met 'n minimum van 50% van die totale energie inset gedurende 'n kalenderjaar wat van sodanige hernieubare brandstofbronne soos suikebagasse, houtagtige biomassa, swart drank of meul afval soos organiese sepe en metanol moet kom.
6.	Vir die doeleindes van Opmerking 2(d) en Opmerking 5 -	
	(a)	beteken "kalenderjaar" 'n tydperk van twaalf maande vanaf 1 Julie 2009 tot 30 Junie 2010 en daarna 'n tydperk van twaalf maande vanaf 1 Julie van enige jaar to die einde van Junie van die daaropvolgende jaar; en
	(b)	n verslag deur 'n ingenieur moet aan die Kommissaris voorgelê word ten opsigte van elektrisiteit opgewek deur die bronne gebruik gedurende elke kalenderjaar soos in redl 54FA.10 beoog.
7.	'n elektrisiteitopwekkingsaanleg wat elektrisiteit onderhewig aan omgewingsheffing ingevolge artikel 148.01.01 opwek, moet gelisensiedr wees as 'n doeane-en aksynsvervaardigingspakhuis ooreenkomstig die bepalinge van Hoofstuk VA en die redls daarkragtens uitgevaardig.	

Deur die skrapping van die volgende:

Elektrisiteits-heffingitem	Tariefpos	Artikel Beskrywing	Skaal van Elektrisiteitsheffing
148.00	ELEKTRIESE ENERGIE		

Deur die skraping van die volgende:

Elektrisiteits- heffingitem	Tariefpos	Artikel Beskrywing	Skaal van Elektrisiteitsheffing
148.01.01	2716.00	Elektrisiteit opgewek in die Republiek, onderhewig aan die Opmerkings hierby	3,5c/kW.h