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THE ENGINEERS REGISTRATION (REGISTRATION OF INDEPENDENT CONSULTING ENGINEERS) RULES, 2016

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THE ENGINEERS REGISTRATION ACT, (CAP. 63)

RULES

(Made under Regulation 40)

THE ENGINEERS REGISTRATION (REGISTRATION OF INDEPENDENT CONSULTING ENGINEERS) RULES, 2016

PART I PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the Engineers Registration (Registration of Independent Consulting Engineer) Rules, 2016 and shall come into operation on the date of publication.

Application

2. These Rules shall apply to Independent Consulting Engineer.

Interpretation

3. In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

"Act" means the Engineers Registration Act;

"Applicant" means an applicant for registration under these rules;

"Board" means the Engineers Registration Board established under the Act;

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"Certificate" means a certificate of registration issued under these Rules;

"Certificate holder" means a holder of certificate of registration issued under these Rules;

"Independent Consulting Engineer" means a Consulting Engineer as provided for under section 10 (2) of the Engineers Registration act;

GN. No 35 of 2010 "Registrar" means the Registrar of the Board.

"Regulation" means the Engineers Registration Regulations

PART II

REGISTRATION OF INDEPENDENT CONSULTING ENGINEERS

Registration.

- 4.-(1) A person who intends to operate as an Independent Consulting Engineer shall before commencing his operations, apply for registration to the Board.
- (2) The application made under sub rule (1), shall be accompanied by-
 - (a) a fee of an amount as the board may from time to time prescribe;
 - (b) documentary evidence on the nationality of the applicant;
 - (c) a copy of a valid certificate of registration as professional engineer or consulting engineers;
 - (d) full names and addresses of two referees of the applicant who are consulting engineers;
 - (e) documentary evidence of permanent postal and physical address; and
 - (f) such other information or particulars of the applicant as may be required by the registrar or Board for the purpose of registration.
- (3) A person shall be eligible for registration as Independent Consulting engineer if he is a Tanzania citizen and has-
 - (a) a minimum of-
 - (i) five years post registration as

- consulting engineer in the field of specialization applied for; or
- fifteen years post-registration experience as a professional engineer out of which five consecutive years are in the field of specialization applied for;
 - (b) a clean record of professional conduct and ethics as may be determined by the Board;
 - (c) satisfied the board of his professional competency; and
 - (d) practiced as provided under the rules made by the board.
 - (4) The registrar shall, after receiving the application under rule (1):
 - (a) verify the contents of application together with the attached documents;
 - (b) communicate in writing with the referees on the application for registration of the applicant; and
 - (c) prepare a brief report on the application with the recommendation to the board for the registration of the applicant.
 - (5) The Board may, after due consideration of the application together with the recommendations of the registrar, direct the Registrar-
 - (a) to register the applicant as an Independent Consulting Engineer; and
 - (b) to issue a certificate of registration accordingly.
 - (6) A person who operates as an Independent Consulting Engineer in contravention to these Rules commits an Offence.

Furnishing of further information or evidence

- 5. The board may, prior to determination of the matter under rule 7, require an applicant for registration-
 - (a) to furnish such further information or evidence of eligibility for registration as it may deem fit; or
 - (b) to appear in person before the Board for further

clarification on the submitted documents.

Applications with no prerequisities

- 6.-(1) An application which has not fulfilled the prerequisites for registration within one year of lodging, such applications shall be revoked.
- (2) A person whose application has been revoked shall be required to make a fresh application.

Refusal of an application

- 7.-(1) The Board may, subject to the provisions of these Rules, reject the application for registration, if-
 - (a) it is not satisfied with the contents of application and particulars of the applicant;
 - (b) the applicant has not complied with the requirements of these Rules; or
 - (c) the applicant has submitted false documents or false information to the Board.

Decision of the Board in relation to an application

- 8.-(1) The Registrar shall, within fourteen working days from the date of the Board's decision, communicate to the applicant on the decision of the Board in relation to an application for registration.
- (2) Communication by the Register under this rule shall be effected through the applicant's address indicated on the application form.
- (3) The decision of the Board in relation to application under these Rules shall be final.

PART II CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

Certificate of Registration

- 9. The certificate of registration to be issued under the Rules shall contain:
 - (a) full names and address of the registered Independent Consulting Engineer;
 - (b) a field of specialization in respect of which the registration is effected;
 - (c) dates of validity of the issued certificate;
 - (d) terms and conditions of the issued certificate as may be determined by the Board; and

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(e) names and signature of the issuing authority.

Obligation of certificate holder

- 10.-(1) A person who holds a certificate of registration issued under these Rules shall be obliged to-
 - (a) carry on his business in compliance with the relevant laws;
 - (b) observe professional ethics and such terms and conditions imposed upon registration;
 - (c) pay subscription fees as may be determined by the Board;
 - (d) communicate to the Registrar by annual returns form on the progress of his operations as Independent Consulting Engineer;
 - (e) notify the Registrar on any changes of address or of other particulars; and
 - (f) display the certificate of registration whenever required to do so by the Registrar or a person authorized by him.
- (2) The Registrar may, where a certificate holder is in contravention of any provision of subsection (1), suspend or cancel the certificate and notify the holder in writing requiring him to cease operations as Independent Consulting Engineer for such time as may be specified in the notice.
- (3) An Engineer who fails without good cause to comply with the requirement of the Registrar under subsection (2), commits an offence.

Validity of certificate of registration

11. A certificate of registration issued to the applicant under these Rules shall be valid for a period as long as his name remains in the Register.

Renewal of certificate of registration

- 12.-(1) A person who holds a certificate of registration may, within two months prior to the expiry of this certificate, apply to the Registrar for the renewal of his certificate of registration.
- (2) An application for renewal shall be made in the prescribed form and shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee as may be determined by the Board.

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(3) An Registrar may reject an application for renewal if the applicant is in default or has violated the terms and conditions of his registration.

Area of practice

- 13.-(1) Independent consulting Engineer shall be deployed on assignments for which:
 - (a) teams of personnel are not required;
 - (b) no additional outside professional is required; and
 - (c) the experience and qualifications of the Individual are the paramount requirement.
- (2) The practice of Independent Consulting Engineer shall be as provided in the terms and conditions of engagement of Independent Consulting Engineers provided by Board from time to time.
- (3) Individuals employed by a procuring entity shall meet all relevant qualifications and shall be fully capable of carrying out the assignment.
- (4) Capability shall be judged on the basis of professional competence, experience and knowledge of the local conditions.
- (5) from time to time, permanent staff or associate of a consulting firm may be available as individual consultants. In such cases, the conflict of interest provisions shall apply to the parent firm.

Inspection

14. The Board may, for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the terms of these Rules, and subject to the provisions of the Act and the Regulations thereof, cause to be conducted inspection in the premises or place of work of an Independent consulting Engineer.

De-registration

- 15.(1) Notwithstanding the validity of the certificate under rule 11, the Registrar may, at any time prior to expiry of validity period and subject to the provisions of these Rules, deregister a person registered as Independent Consulting Engineer.
- (2) De-registration of Independent Consulting Engineer in any category can be attributed to any of the following reasons:
 - (a) failure to observe the terms and conditions imposed upon registration as Independent Consulting Engineer;
 - (b) Failure to pay subscription fees for three

the subject of de registration; and

(b) to remove the name of that person from the register.

Reinstatement to the register

17. A person who has been registered under these rule may, within the period of twelve months from the date of de registration apply for reinstatement of his upon payment of prescribed fee.

General offences and penalty

18. Any person who violates any provision of these rules commits an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine as prescribed in the Second schedule of the Regulations.

Appeals

19. A person who is aggrieved by the decision of the Board under these Rules may appeal to the Appeals Authority.

Amendment of rules GN No. 68 of 14/03/2014

revoked.

The Engineers Registration (Registration of independent Consulting Engineers) Rules, 2014 is hereby

Dar Es Salaam 8th August, 2016 NINATUBU M. LEMA, Chairman