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## Part I.—General.

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### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 OF 1922.”

NOTICE is hereby given that His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council has, under the powers conferred on him by “The Rubber Restriction Ordinance, No. 24 of 1922,” made the following rules.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Colombo, October 3, 1924.

CECIL CLEMENTI,  
Colonial Secretary.

#### Rules.

1. These rules may be cited as “The Rubber Restriction Rules, 1924.” Short title.
2. In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires—  
The Rubber Restriction Ordinance, No. 24 of 1922, is referred to as “the Ordinance”;  
The expressions “assess” and “assessment” include reassess and reassessment. Interpretation.
3. (1) Whenever the Controller considers that the standard production of an estate assessed, under section 6 of the Ordinance or under any previous rules made thereunder or under these rules, is in excess of or less than the true productivity of that estate, he shall reassess the standard production of that estate at such amount as he considers to be the true productivity of the estate. Reassessment of standard production.  
(2) The standard production assessed under this rule shall take effect from November 1 next following the date of the assessment.
4. (1) For the purposes of these rules, the true productivity of an estate means the amount of rubber which, in the opinion of the Controller, can be properly produced from the estate under a normal system of tapping during the twelve months commencing on the day on which the assessment is to take effect. Meaning of “true productivity.”

(2) A system of normal tapping means a system which complies with the following standard, viz., a standard which—

- (a) Does not exceed one cut on one-fourth of the circumference of the trees daily, or its equivalent;
- (b) Permits of a minimum—
  - (i.) Of six years for the first bark renewal; and
  - (ii.) Of eight years for the second and subsequent renewals.

(3) The amounts of rubber which can properly be produced under a normal system of tapping shall be taken not to exceed the following maxima, viz. :—

(a) For trees planted before 1919—

Age of Trees.	Maximum Amount per Acre.
Under 5 years ..	Nil
Between 5 and 6 years ..	120 pounds
Between 6 and 7 years ..	180 pounds
Between 7 and 8 years ..	240 pounds
8 years and over ..	320 pounds

(b) For trees planted in 1919, the maximum amount per acre shall be—

60 pounds for the period November 1, 1923, to October 31, 1924; and

120 pounds, 180 pounds, 240 pounds, and 320 pounds, respectively, for each of the following periods of 12 months.

(c) For trees planted in 1920, the maximum amount per acre shall be—

60 pounds for the period November 1, 1924, to October 31, 1925; and

120 pounds, 180 pounds, 240 pounds, and 320 pounds, respectively, for each of the following periods of 12 months.

(4) In the case of small estates under ten acres in extent, the maxima specified in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of sub-clause (3) shall, as regards the first five acres in bearing, be increased by  $33\frac{1}{3}$  per cent.

Mixed cultivation.

5. In making any assessment under these rules, where rubber is interplanted with other cultivations, 200 rubber trees shall be taken as the equivalent of one acre of rubber.

Assessors.

6. The Controller may nominate an assessor or assessors to advise and assist him in making any assessment under these rules.

Assessment of estates under ten acres.

7. (1) The Controller may direct that the assessment of an estate under ten acres in extent shall be made by the Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent of the Province or District in which the estate is situated.

(2) The Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent shall thereupon make the assessment and send notice thereof both to the proprietor and the Controller.

(3) The Controller, as well as the proprietor may, within ten days of receipt of the notice, appeal against the decision to the Board, whose decision shall be final.

Assessment of estates not assessed under section 6 of Ordinance.

8. (1) Whenever, in the opinion of the Controller, there is a reasonable excuse for the failure of the proprietor of an estate to make the return required by section 6 of the Ordinance within due time, or where an estate has since November 10, 1922, come into bearing for the first time, the Controller may proceed to assess the standard production of the estate at the amount of its true productivity.

(2) The standard production so assessed shall take effect from November 1 next following the date of the assessment.

Duration of assessments.

9. The standard production of an estate assessed under these rules shall be deemed to be the standard production of that estate assessed and determined under the provisions of the Ordinance until the standard production shall be altered under these rules.

Appeals.

10. (1) Any proprietor who is dissatisfied with an assessment under these rules may, within ten days of his receiving notice of such assessment, appeal to the Board, whose decision shall be final.

(2) Every such appeal shall be in writing addressed to the Board, and shall be forwarded under registered cover or delivered to the Controller within the time hereinbefore specified.

(3) It shall be the duty of the Controller—

- (a) Forthwith to acknowledge receipt of every such appeal;
- (b) To bring such appeal before the Board for consideration and decision as early as possible;
- (c) Within three days of the decision of the Board to notify such decision to the appellant.

(4) Provided, however, that in the case of estates under ten acres in extent, every such appeal shall be forwarded under registered cover or delivered to the Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent, as the case may be, who shall, within seven days of the receipt thereof, forward it to the Controller with any observations that he may wish to offer. The Controller shall submit every such appeal to the Board as early as possible and communicate its decision thereon to the Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent concerned as well as to the appellant.

(5) Any appellant who desires to appear before the Board to support his appeal in person, shall give notice of his intention to do so to the Controller or to the Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent, as the case may be, at the same time as he forwards or delivers his petition of appeal as aforesaid.

11. (1) No monthly certificate of production issued by the Controller under section 11 of the Ordinance shall be transferable, except upon a *bona fide* sale of the rubber produced on the estate to which such certificate relates or on estates in the same ownership.

Monthly  
certificates and  
credit notes.

(2) The Controller may, in exchange for monthly certificates of production, issue a credit note for the total quantity of rubber represented by the said certificates of production.

(3) The Controller may, in exchange for such credit note and in substitution therefor or in lieu thereof, issue sub-credit notes: Provided that the total quantities for which sub-credit notes are issued shall not exceed the quantity of rubber for which the original credit note was or could have been issued.

(4) No credit note or sub-credit note shall be transferable, except upon *bona fide* sales of the rubber to which the note relates.

12. The forms contained in the schedule hereto shall be used with such variations as may be permitted by the Controller.

Forms.

13. (1) All previous rules made under the Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

(2) Nothing in these rules shall affect the notice for the time being in force fixing the percentage of restriction under section 3 of the Ordinance.

#### SCHEDULE OF FORMS.

Form 1.

[This Return is to be forwarded to the Rubber Controller, Colombo.]

#### “THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”

#### Return for Assessment of Standard Production for Estate of 10 Acres or over 10 Acres in Extent.

Name of rubber state: \_\_\_\_\_

Situation (village, district, &c.): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of owner/lessee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address to which all letters, &c., to the owner or lessee may be sent: \_\_\_\_\_

Area planted with rubber—Total number of acres: \_\_\_\_\_

Wholly planted with rubber: \_\_\_\_\_ acres.

Interplanted with other products: \_\_\_\_\_ acres; number of trees: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of rubber trees at October 31, 1923, viz:—

	No. of Acres.	Years of Planting.
(i.) Under 5 years ..	_____	_____
(ii.) Between 5 and 6 years ..	_____	_____
(iii.) Between 6 and 7 years ..	_____	_____
(iv.) Between 7 and 8 years ..	_____	_____
(v.) Eight years and over ..	_____	_____

Actual output in weight of rubber on such estate for the twelve months from \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of lb.\*

November 1, 1919, to October 31, 1920, inclusive .. \_\_\_\_\_

November 1, 1920, to October 31, 1921, inclusive .. \_\_\_\_\_

November 1, 1921, to October 31, 1922, inclusive .. \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person making the return: \_\_\_\_\_

Capacity of person making the return (Owner, Estate Superintendent, &c.): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Colombo Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Where the actual figures are not available, it must be stated that the figures are merely approximate.

*Declaration.*—I declare that the statements contained herein are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and accurate. I further declare that no other returns in respect of this estate have been directly or indirectly sent by me or by any other person or persons either to the Rubber Controller or to the Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent.

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

*Note.*—Monthly figures of production are to be recorded on the back of this form.

Any person making a false statement herein shall be liable to prosecution under section 26 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1922.

(Reverse of Form 1.)

**Monthly Production.**

Month.	Twelve Months from	Twelve Months from	Twelve Months from
	November 1, 1919, to October 31, 1920.	November 1, 1920, to October 31, 1921.	November 1, 1921, to October 31, 1922.
	No. of lb.	No. of lb.	No. of lb.
November	_____	_____	_____
December	_____	_____	_____
January	_____	_____	_____
February	_____	_____	_____
March	_____	_____	_____
April	_____	_____	_____
May	_____	_____	_____
June	_____	_____	_____
July	_____	_____	_____
August	_____	_____	_____
September	_____	_____	_____
October	_____	_____	_____
Totals	_____	_____	_____

Full and adequate reasons for failing to furnish the return in November, 1922, should be given below :—

Form 2.

[To be preserved carefully and produced every Month to the Local Postmaster to obtain Monthly Certificates.]

**“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”**

**Notice of Assessment or Reassessment for Estates of 10 Acres or over in Extent.**

Mr. \_\_\_\_\_,

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Owner/lessee of \_\_\_\_\_ estate,

(This number must be quoted in all correspondence with the Rubber Controller.)

The standard production of \_\_\_\_\_ Rubber Estate, which is 10 acres or over in extent, has been assessed by the Rubber Controller as from November 1, 192 —, in accordance with “The Rubber Restriction Rules, 1924,” at \_\_\_\_\_ lb. of rubber, equal to a monthly exportable maximum (*i.e.*, 60 per cent. of one-twelfth of the standard production) of \_\_\_\_\_ lb. of rubber.

*Rubber Controller for Ceylon.*

(Date) : \_\_\_\_\_

*Note.*—Under “The Rubber Restriction Rules, 1924,” any proprietor who is dissatisfied with this assessment may, within ten days of service of this notice, appeal to the Rubber Restriction Board.

Form 3.

[To be forwarded to the Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent of the District in which the Estate is situated.]

**“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”**

**Return for Assessment of Standard Production for Estates less than 10 Acres in Extent.**

Name of rubber estate : \_\_\_\_\_

Situation (village, district, &c.) : \_\_\_\_\_

Name of owner/lessee : \_\_\_\_\_

Address to which all letters, &c., may be sent : \_\_\_\_\_

Area planted with rubber—Total number of acres : \_\_\_\_\_

Wholly planted with rubber : \_\_\_\_\_ acres.

Interplanted with other products : \_\_\_\_\_ acres.

Age of rubber trees at October 31, 1923, viz. : —

	No. of Acres.	No. of Trees.	Years of Planting.
(i.) Under 5 years	_____	_____	_____
(ii.) Between 5 and 6 years	_____	_____	_____
(iii.) Between 6 and 7 years	_____	_____	_____
(iv.) Between 7 and 8 years	_____	_____	_____
(v.) Eight years and over	_____	_____	_____

Actual output in weight of rubber on such estate for twelve months from—

	No. of lb.*
November 1, 1919, to October 31, 1920, inclusive..	_____
November 1, 1920, to October 31, 1921, inclusive..	_____
November 1, 1921, to October 31, 1922, inclusive..	_____

Name of person making the return : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Capacity of person making the return (Owner, Estate Superintendent, &c.) : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Colombo Agent : \_\_\_\_\_

*Declaration.*—I declare that the statements contained herein are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and accurate. I further declare that no other returns in respect of this estate has been directly or indirectly sent by me or any other person or persons either to the Rubber Controller or to the Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent.

Date : \_\_\_\_\_ Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

To the Rubber Controller.

I have assessed the standard production of \_\_\_\_\_ rubber estate, which is less than 10 acres in extent, for the twelve months from November, 1923, to October, 1924, inclusive, at \_\_\_\_\_ lb. of rubber.

Date : \_\_\_\_\_, 192 —. Assistant/Government Agent.

\* Where the actual figures are not available, it must be stated that the figures are merely approximate.

*Note.*—Monthly figures of production are to be recorded on the back of this form.

Any person making a false statement herein shall be liable to prosecution under section 26 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1922.

(Reverse of Form 3.)

**Monthly Production.**

Month.	Twelve Months from November 1, 1919, to October 31, 1920.		Twelve Months from November 1, 1920, to October 31, 1921.		Twelve Months from November 1, 1921, to October 31, 1922.	
	No. of lb.		No. of lb.		No. of lb.	
November	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
December	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
January	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
February	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
March	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
April	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
May	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
June	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
July	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
August	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
September	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
October	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____
Totals	..	_____	..	_____	..	_____

Full and adequate reasons for failing to furnish the return in November, 1922, should be given below :—

Form 4.

[To be preserved carefully and produced every Month to the Local Postmaster to obtain the Monthly Certificates.]

**“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”**

**Notice of Assessment or Reassessment for Estates of less than 10 Acres in Extent.**

Mr. \_\_\_\_\_, No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Owner/lessee of \_\_\_\_\_ estate,

(This number must be quoted in all correspondence with the Rubber Controller.)

The standard production of \_\_\_\_\_ Rubber Estate, which is less than 10 acres in extent, has been assessed as from November 1, 192 —, by the Assistant Government Agent, \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with “The Rubber Restriction Rules, 1924,” at \_\_\_\_\_ lb. of rubber.

The monthly exportable maximum (i.e., 60 per cent. or one-twelfth of the standard production) will be \_\_\_\_\_ lb. of rubber.

Date : \_\_\_\_\_, 192 —. Assistant Government Agent.

*Note.*—Under “The Rubber Restriction Rules, 1924,” the Rubber Controller or any proprietor who is dissatisfied with this assessment may, within ten days of service of this notice, appeal to the Rubber Restriction Board.

Form 5.

(Not transferable except upon bona fide sale of rubber.)

“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”

Certificate of Production under section 11 for Estates of 10 Acres and over in Extent.

No. —.

— estate is hereby authorized to export — lb. on account of — 192 —.

Date : —.

Rubber Controller for Ceylon.

Notes.—(1) When selling in full, this certificate should be endorsed by seller and handed over to the buyer until it finally reaches the exporter.

(2) If a portion only is sold, a sub-certificate for the quantity sold will be issued on production of this certificate.

(3) Upon production of this certificate a license to export will be issued.

(Reverse of Form 5)

I declare that the rubber transferred on this certificate was produced solely on the estate for which this certificate is granted.

Signature of Proprietor : —.

Form 6.

(Not transferable except upon bona fide sale of rubber.)

“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”

Certificate of Production under section 11 for Estates under 10 Acres in Extent.

No. —.

— estate is hereby authorized to export — lb. on account of — 192 —.

Date : —.

Rubber Controller for Ceylon.

Notes.—(1) Buyers should not accept this certificate unless endorsed by seller.

(2) Upon production of this certificate a license to export will be issued.

Can be sold in one Lot only.

(Reverse of Form 6)

I declare that the rubber transferred on this certificate was produced solely on the estate for which this certificate is granted.

Signature of Proprietor : —.

Form of License to Export Rubber required under Section 17.

No. —.

No. —.

Form 7.

CEYLON RUBBER CONTROL.

License to Export Rubber under Section 17 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1922.

— is authorized to export — lb. of rubber at minimum rate of duty :—

Name of shipper : —.

Duty at 2½ c. per lb. . . Rs.

Fee at ¼ c. per lb. . . Rs.

Total Rs. —

Rubber Controller for Ceylon.

Date : —, 192 —.

CEYLON RUBBER CONTROL.

License to Export Rubber under Section 17 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1922.

This license authorizes — to export the quantity of rubber specified hereunder at the minimum rate of duty :—

Name of shipper : —.

No. of lb. of rubber : —.

Duty and fee leviable :—

Duty at 2½ c. per lb. . . Rs.

Fee at ¼ c. per lb. . . Rs.

Total Rs. —

Rubber Controller for Ceylon.

Date : —, 192 —.

[N.B.—This license must be produced to the proper officer of Customs.]

Form 8.

*(Not transferable except upon bona fide sale of rubber.)***“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”****Credit Note of Monthly Certificate of Production issued under section 11.**

Credit Note No. ———.

Upon production of this certificate a license to export ——— lb. of rubber will be issued to, or to the order of, Messrs. ———.

*Rubber Controller.**Note.*—Buyers should not accept this certificate unless endorsed by sellers.

Form 9.

*(Not transferable except upon bona fide sale of rubber.)***“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”****Credit Note of Monthly Certificate of Production issued under section 11.**

Sub-Credit Note No. ———.

Credit Note No. ——— of Messrs. ———.

Upon production of this certificate a license to export ——— lb. of rubber will be issued to, or to the order of, Messrs. ———.

*Rubber Controller.**Note.*—Buyers should not accept this certificate unless endorsed by sellers.

Form 10.

*(Not transferable except upon bona fide sale of rubber.)***“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”****Sub-Certificate on Certificate of Production issued under section 12 of the Ordinance.**

No. ———.

Original Certificate No. ———.

For the month of ———, 192 —.

Upon production of this certificate a license to export ——— lb. of rubber shall be issued to, or to the order of, Messrs. ———.

*Rubber Controller.**Note.*—Buyers should not accept this certificate unless endorsed by sellers.

Form 11.

**“THE RUBBER RESTRICTION ORDINANCE, No. 24 of 1922.”****Application for Export License.**

In terms of section 18 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1922, application is hereby made for a license to export ——— lb. of rubber as per stock certificates/certificates of production\* annexed or already lodged with the Rubber Controller.

Name of Shipper : ———.

Signature of Applicant : ———.

Date : ———.

To the Rubber Controller,  
Colombo.

[N.B.—Please specify quantities of restricted and unrestricted rubber.]

\* Details of numbers to be given overleaf.