

**SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR
GAZETTE**

No. 4412 of 20th November, 2017

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 225 OF 2017.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS ACT, 1986

**IMPORTS AND EXPORTS (CONTROL) (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS 2017**

In exercise of its powers under section 16 of the Imports and Exports Act, 1986, and all other enabling powers, the Government has made the following regulations—

Title.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Imports and Exports (Control) (Amendment) Regulations 2017.

Commencement.

2. These regulations come into operation on the day of publication.

Amendment to the Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations, 1987.

3. The Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations, 1987 are amended in Schedule 1 by adding the following paragraph after paragraph 16—

“17.(a) Subject to subparagraph (b), a commercial quantity of a rinse-off cosmetic or personal care product containing microbeads that is used to exfoliate or cleanse.

(b) This paragraph shall not apply in respect of—

- (i) medicinal products;
- (ii) products on board a ship or aircraft which are intended only for the use of, or for sale to, its passengers or members of the crew;
- (iii) products on a ship that is not to be landed in Gibraltar; or

(iv) products imported for transit or transshipment.

(c) In this paragraph-

“commercial quantity” means 20 or more products or, where the importation is for sale or trade, any quantity;

“medicinal product” has the meaning given by section 60 of the Medical and Health Act, 1997;

“microbeads” means solid plastic particles measuring less than five millimetres in diameter.”.

Transitional provision.

4. In respect of products-

- (a) imported on or before 31st January 2018;
- (b) where the order for purchase was placed on or before the 27th November 2017;
- (c) and proof of purchase is provided to the satisfaction of the Collector,

regulation 3 shall have effect as if it had not come into force.

Dated 20th November, 2017.

F R PICARDO,
Minister with responsibility for finance.
For the Government.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

These Regulations prohibit the importation for commercial importation of rinse-off cosmetic or personal care products containing microbeads, with some exceptions.