

KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA
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Royal Government of Cambodia
No. 181 ANKR.BK

SUB-DECREE
ON
PRINTING HEALTH WARNING ON CIGARETTE PACKAGES

The Royal Government of Cambodia

- Having seen the constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia
- Having seen the Royal Decree No. NS/RKT/0908/1055 dated September 25, 2008 on the Nomination of the Royal Government of Cambodia;
- Having seen the Royal Kram No. 02/NS/94 dated July 20, 1994 promulgating the Law on Organization and Functioning of the Council of Minister;
- Having seen the Royal Kram No. SN/RKM/0196/06 dated January 24, 1996 promulgating the Law on Establishment of the Ministry of Health;
- Having seen the Royal Kram No. SN/RKM/0106/002 dated January 18, 2006 promulgating the Law on Approving Cambodia to be a Party of the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control;
- Having Sub-Decree No. 67 ANKR.BK dated October 22, 1997 on Organization and Functioning of the Ministry of Health;
- Getting approval from the Council of Ministers at its plenary session on October 16, 2009.

HERE BY DECIDES
Chapter 1
General Provision

Article 1._

This Sub-decree aims at governing the Printing of Health Warning on Cigarette Packages in the Kingdom of Cambodia.

Article 2._

The objectives of this Sub-decree include the following:

- To protect well being of the citizens;
- To increase the effectiveness of tobacco control;
- To decrease tobacco consumption;
- To provide awareness on negative effects of tobacco consumption.

Article 3._

This Sub-decree extends its implementation on all types of cigarette packages distributed and sold in the Kingdom of Cambodia.

Article 4._

Terminologies used in this Sub-decree shall have the following definitions:

- Cigarette package is referred to boxes, paper, wrapping materials, or anything used for containing cigarettes;
- Health warning messages are referred to messages in Khmer language to be printed on cigarette packages indicating the harmfulness of tobacco uses.
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Chapter 2 Governing Authority

Article 5._

Printing health warning on cigarette packages as stipulated in chapter 3 of this Sub-decree shall be under guidance and control of the Ministry of Health.

Chapter 3

Measures to Print Health Warning on Cigarette Packages

Article 6._

Local produced or imported cigarettes for distribution and sale in the Kingdom of Cambodia shall be printed health warning in Khmer language indicating harmfulness of tobacco uses on cigarette packages.

Health warning must be readable, visible, specific, unbleached, text must not be obliterated.

Article 7._

Size and location of Health Warning to be printed on cigarette packages shall response to special characteristics as follow:

- Health Warning shall cover at least 30 (Thirty)%;
- Health Warning shall be printed on both sides of principal display areas.

Article 8._

Health Warning samples complied with article 6 and article 7 of this Sub-decree, and the ways to rotate Health Warning shall be determined by Prakas of the Minister of Health.

Chapter 4 Punishments

Article 9._

Local manufacturers, importers for distribution and sale who do not obey provisions of this Sub-decree shall be punished as follow:

- Written warning;
- Temporarily postpone the business;
- Permanently close the business in case of frequent infringement.

For temporarily postponing the business and permanently closing the business, there shall be approval from the leader of the Royal Government.

Chapter 5 Transitional Provision

Article 10._

After this Sub-decree came into effect, local manufacturers and importers for distribution and sale in the Kingdom of Cambodia have a period of 9 (nine) months for printing Health Warning in Khmer language on cigarette packages.

Chapter 6 Final Provision

Article 11._

Any provision that contradicts to this Sub-decree shall be considered as null and void.

Article 12._

Minister in charge of the Council of Ministers, Minister of Economic and Finance, Minister of Health, all concerned Ministers, Secretaries of State, relevant institutions shall implement this Sub-decree from the date of signature.

Phnom Penh, October 20, 2009

Signed and Sealed

Prime Minister

Samdech Aka Moha Sena Padey Decho HUN Sen

Recipients:

- Ministry of Royal Palace;
- General Secretariat of the Constitutional Council;
- General Secretariat of the Senate;
- General Secretariat of the National Assembly;
- General Secretary of the Royal Government;
- Cabinet of Prime Minister;
- Cabinet of Deputy Prime Ministers
- As prescribed in article 12
- Royal Affairs;
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