

# Law and Regulations of the Administration of Special Economic Zones

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Islamic Republic of Iran  
Secretariat of the High Council of Iran

**Extracted from the law concerning the first Economic, Social and Cultural Development Plan of the Islamic Republic of Iran, approved on 11.11.1368 (31.1.1990) by the Islamic Consultative Assembly .**

( subject of the establishment of Special Economic Zones)

**Note 20**

**The Iranian Customs and the Ports and Shipping Organization are required to establish protected Special Zones at the frontier entrances or at the internal Customs for keeping in trust the raw material and parts and components and manufacturing materials , imported without transfer of foreign exchange, not later than six months from the date of ratification of this law . importation of goods from the said zones for internal consumptions shall be governed by the Export • Import Regulations . The owners of the goods may , without any formalities send abroad their imported goods from the said entrances. The execution by•law of this note shall be approved by the Council of Ministers.**

**Extracted from the law concerning the Second Economic Social and Cultural Development plan of the Islamic Republic of Iran approved on 20.9.1973 (11.12.1994) by the Islamic Consultative Assembly .**

(Subject of the establishment of Special Economic Zones)

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- 1 - For the purpose of supporting the domestic production and development of non-oil exports and creating movement and incentive in the regional economy , the government can establish protected special zones at the frontier entrances or at the internal customs . Importation of goods from the said zone for the purpose of internal consumption , shall be governed by the Export -Import Regulations . Exportation of goods from these zones shall be carried out without any formalities .**
- 2 - The protected special zones , established according to Note 20 of the law concerning the first Development plan should conform their activities with this note and its executive bylaw.**
- 3 - The executive bylaw of this paragraph , shall be approved by the Council of Ministers .**

# **The Executive Bylaw relating to paragraph "D" of the Note (25) of the Law concerning the Second Economic, Social and Cultural Development Plan of the Islamic Republic of Iran**

(Special Economic Zones.)

## **Article 1**

In this Bylaw the following terms are used in lieu of corresponding detailed phrases

**The High Council:**The High Council of Free Trade•Industrial Zones.

**The Secretariat :**The Secretariat of the High Council of Free Trade• Industrial Zones.

**The Zone:** The special bonded Zone at port and elsewhere which is established according to the paragraph "D" of the Note No.25 of the Law concerning the Second Economic,Social and Cultural Plan of the Islamic Republic of Iran, or is set up according to the Note No.25 of the Law concerning the First Plan.

**The Zone Authority :**The legal person who,by virtue of this Bylaw shall take charge of the administration and management of the Zone.

## **Article 2**

The authorized activities in the Zone are as follows:

- 1• Warehousing of goods in deposit.**
- 2• Accelerating and facilitating access to goods in order to set the stage for close activities of the owner of goods, either raw material, machineries and other manufactured goods to domestic consumers for the purpose of supporting the domestic production in the country.**
- 3• Processing or changing of goods in order to attain added value by using the potential facilities.**
- 4•Providing the necessary facilities for the main domestic and foreign purchasers to have close access to their required goods in these Zones, bringing the regional trading markets closer together and developing the country's foreign trade**
- 5•Creating opportunities for the regional trading activities with regards to the markets of countries in the Central Asia, Caucasia and Trans•Caucasia, relating to the Asian and**

European countries, and other places and benefiting from these markets by utilizing all internal and external transit facilities, exportation, and re-exportation.

6•Absorption of the domestic and foreign capital and facilities for the above mentioned cases with the aim of obtaining the required goals, with regard to the relevant laws and regulations.

### **Article 3**

Import of goods from abroad or from the Free Trade Industrial Zones of the country shall be done with the least formalities, and internal transit of imported goods to the Zone shall be in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations.

#### **Note**

The goods, subject to this article, shall be imported into the zones located in the entering ports of the country without any customs formalities .

### **Article 4**

The clearance of goods from the Zone into the country , necessitates the observance of the Exports•Imports Regulations.

### **Article 5**

The goods imported from abroad, or from the Free•Trade and Industrial Zones of the country or other Zones subject to this by•law may be exported without any formalities.

### **Article 6**

The Zone management can , after classifying and assessing made by the Zonal sections transfer to the qualified natural and legal persons the right to utilize them in the form of leasing. The supervision of the manner of the utilization of such Zones shall be at the discretion of the Zone management.

### **Article 7**

The holding period for goods imported to the Zone shall be at the discretion of the Zone management.

### **Article 8**

The owner of the goods imported into the Zone can declare, to the customs, all or parts of their goods for the purpose of final or temporary importing into the country and clear

the goods in accordance with the relevant regulations.

## **Article 9**

In case the processing of the imported goods to the Zone should amount to a degree that requires any changes in its customs tariff, the amount of commercial benefit related to the above goods for entry to other parts of the country shall be calculated and collected as equivalent to the amount of the commercial benefit for the imported raw materials and parts used in them.

### **Note**

Those exporting amounts of the goods, manufactured in the zone and permissible into the mainland, shall be subject to the submission of foreign Exchange obligation equivalent to the amount of raw materials and domestic made pieces worked in them.

## **Article 10**

Off-loading, loading and warehousing expenses of goods in the Zones which is managed by the government administration, shall be determined on the basis of tariffs provided by the Zone management and approved by the majority of the ministers members of the High Council.

## **Article 11**

The importers of goods into the Zones may transfer all or part of their goods to others against the separate transactable warehouse receipts which shall be issued by the Zone management. In such cases the bearer of the separate warehouse receipts shall be considered as the owner of the goods.

### **Note**

Each Zone management is authorized upon request of the applicant to take necessary actions to issue certificate of origin of goods being exported from the Zone upon confirmation of the Iranian customs. The Iranian banks are required to accept the certificates mentioned in this Note.

## **Article 12**

Retail selling of goods in the Zone is prohibited. The maximum amount of retail selling

shall be determined by the Secretariat .

#### **Note**

The retail selling of goods subject to the above mentioned article to the foreign tourists who intend to transfer the goods abroad is allowed with the supervision of the Iranian customs.

### **Article 13**

All the (capital) goods imported into the Zone for production or rendering service purposes, shall be exempt from the General Exports•Imports Regulations.

The ingress of such (capital) goods into the to other parts of the country shall be subject to the General Exports•Imports Regulations.

### **Article 14**

The establishment of a Zone and determining its relevant boundries shall be carried out according to the requirements, priorities and proposals made upon the feasibility studies of the Secretriat, in customs area with coordination of customs and in port area with coordination of Customs, Ports and Shipping Organization as well as approval of the majority of the ministers member of the High Council.

#### **Note**

The Zone Authority shall be established upon proposal made by the Secetriat and approval of the majority of ministers member of the High Council. The Zone Manager shall be appointed by the chairman of the Zone Authority.

### **Article 15**

All programmes, developing activities and the Zone's land location as well as the following amendments, shall be approved by the High Council of the Free Trade and Industrial Zones.

### **Article 16**

The Secretriat is in charge of supervision on rightful execution of the present Bylaw , and is required to submit a report of the functions of the Bylaw to the High Council once every three months.



## Specific Facilities for Import of Goods, Produced in Special Economic Zones, into other parts of the mainland.

**1•** Importation of some percentage of goods, produced in the Free Trade/Industrial zones and the zones subject to the paragraph "D" of the note 25 of the Law on Second Economic, Social and Cultural Development Plan of the Islamic Republic of Iran, in to the country is allowed. The amount of the goods permitted into the mainland shall be a ratio of total added value plus materials and domestic produced parts used in the produce, to the total cost price of the produced goods regardless to any manner of restriction. In addition to that, it shall neither obligates order registration and letter of credit opening, nor it is subject to conditional principles of Impermissible and Conditioned Permissible .

**2•** The above ratio, mentioned in pragraph 1 of present decree shall be fixed by a commission consisting of the representatives of the ministry relevant to production of the goods envisaged for, Ministry of commerce, Central Bank of I.R. of Iran, Iran's Customs, Secretariat of The High Council of Free Trade and Industrial Zones and the pertinent Free zone, which shall be convened in the Secretariat of the High Council of Free Trade and Industrial zones.

### Note 1

Procedure for calculating the percentage of permissible amount of goods , mentioned in paragraph ( 1 ) of present decree shall be as follows:

percentage of

$$\text{Permissible} = \frac{\text{price of goods-CIF price of importec material and parts}}{\text{Price of goods}}$$

amount of goods

The price of the goods to be produced shall consist of the CIF price of the manufactured product, imported goods plus the imported parts and materials.

### Note 2

**In all cases , the decision of the commission subject to this paragraph shall be taken on the basis of the majority of votes.**

**3• The Iranian Customs shall fix the annual permissible quota of the production amount of each manufacturing unit upon the discretion of the commission subject to paragraph (2) of present decree.**

## **Peculiarly manufactured or rebuilt produce , Permissible into the mainland**

**Decree No. 20586T/56947 Dated 6,1,1999**

Manufacturing units located in Free Trade•Industrial Zones and Special Economic zones who based on the order placed to them, manufacture or rebuild products with special data specifications with no serial number and mass production manner and marketing procedures, can transfer the total 100% of the produced goods into the country, provided that, the goods thereto, at the discretion of value added commission (subject of the Decree No. K16003T/52173 dated, 1,7,1995), should have created at least 70% of the added value. The mentioned commission shall determine on the kind and specifications of those products, which get importing permit. The imports duties and commercial benefits imposed on the raw materials and imported parts consumed in manufacturing of mentioned products shall be collected in accordance with the relevant regulations.

### **Addresses:**

#### **1- SIRJAN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority: Kerman Development Organization**

**Head Office:** No. 413 Sattarkhan Ave., Tehran 14547 Iran.

**Tel.:** (021) 8207043•5 Fax (021) 8204893

**Local office:**

**Surface area:** 1700 ha

#### **2- SARAKHS SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority:** Astan•a Ghods Razavi

**Head office** No. 3, 6th Chamran Alley, Chamram Ave., Mash'had, Iran

**Tel.:** (051) 715065•6 Fax (051) 715067

**Tehran office:** No. 14, Khalid Eslamboli Ave., Tehran 15116 Iran.

**Tel.:** (021) 8725780•3, Fax (021) 8725786

**Surface area:** 5200 ha

#### **3- BANDAR-E-ANZALI SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE (second location)**

**Authority:** Gilan Investment Development Co.,

**Head office:** 5th floor, Takhvar Bldg., Hafez Ave.,

Rasht, Iran.

**Tel.:** (0131 ) 34093•33892 Fax(0131) 31673

surface area: 140 ha

#### 4- BANDAR-E-ANZALI SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE (second location)

**Authority:** Ports and Shipping Organisation

**Head office:** Ports and Shipping General Directorate

Bandar Anzali, 43154 Iran.

**Tel.:**(0181)34505•7 Fax (0181) 34802

surface area: 30 ha

#### 5- KHUZISTAN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** T.F.O.K. Co.,

**Head office:** No. 28, 17 th street, Kianpars, Ahwaz

61558•76465 Iran.

**Tel.:** (061) 368648,(061)335390,Fax(061)368649

surface area: 2000 ha

#### 6- SALAFCHEGAN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** Tossa'e va Omrani Qum Co.,

Qum General Government House, Qum 37185 Iran.

**Tel.:**(0251) 713804,Fax(0251) 713944

surface area 2000 ha

#### 7- KHORRAMSHAHR SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** Ports and Shipping Organization

Ports and Shipping General Directorate, Khorramshahr,Iran.

Surface area 230 ha

#### 8- JOLFA SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** Organization of East Azarbayjan

Municipalities Cooperation, East Azarbayjan

General Government House, Shohada Sq., Tabriz,

51335 Iran. **Tel.:**(041)880140, Fax(041)871921

**Surface area:** 1000 ha (1 st site)

135 ha (2nd site)

## 9- ARG-E-JADID SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** Arg Development Co.,

**Tehran office:** No. 296, Ostad Motahhari Ave., Tehran,  
15886, Iran.

**Tel.:** (021) 8842910•11, Fax (021) 8862612

**Surface area:** 2000 ha

## 10- PETROCHEMICAL SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** National Petrochemical Industries Company  
Organization

**Tehran office:** 406, Motahhari Ave., Tehran 15958 Iran.

**Tel.:** (021) 8800851•4, Fax (021) 8800 857

**Surface area:** 1770 ha

## 11- BANDAR BUSHEHR SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** Ports and Shipping Organization,

**Head office:** Ports and Shipping General Directorate,  
Bushehr, Iran.

**Tel.:**(0771)28051•5,•22051•7, Fax:(0771)24668

**Surface area:** 41 ha

## 12- BUSHEHR SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** Bushehr Development co.

**Head office:** 3`d Floor, Sharifpoor building, Dehghan  
Blvd., **Tel:** (0771) 27796•27243, Fax: (0771)27243

**Tehran Office:** 1`" Floor, No. 11, 2"d blind alley,  
Shahid Gommaam

**Surface area:** 2034 ha

## 13- BANDAR AMIRABAD BEHSHAHR SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE

**Authority:** Ports and Shipping Organization

**Tehran temporary liaison office:**

**Tel.:** (021) 8809315•9, Fax (021) 8809319

**Local office:** Ports and Shipping General Directorate of  
Mazanderan Province,

**Tel.:** (0191) 35917, **Fax** (0191) 33030

Surface area 60 ha

#### **14- BANDAR SHAHID RAJ'EE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority:** Ports and Shipping Organization

**Head office:**

**Tel.:** (0761) 564015•7(0761) 564035•7, **Fax:**(0761)564063

**Surface area:** 20 sq. km, including 200 ha allotted to  
Qeshm Free trade •Indus. Zone

#### **15- MINES AND METALS SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority:** National Iranian Steel Company (NISCO)

**Head office:** no. 21, Assadabadi Street, Tehran 14336  
Iran.

**Tel.:**(021) 8712537,(021)8712734•**Fax** (021)8724819

**Surface area:** 1200 ha

#### **16- ASSALUYAEH SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority:** Pars Oil and Gas Company

**Head Office:** No. 123, Gharani Ave., Tehran, 15837,

**Iran.Tel.:** 8900188, **Fax:** 8902561

Surface area 10000 ha.

#### **17- SANG-e-LORESTAN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority:** Industrial Towns Company

**Tehran Office Address:** No. 6. 7`h Street, Khaled  
Eslamboli Ave., Tehran.

**Tel.:** (021) 8729248•51, **Fax:** (021) 8719938

#### **18- SHIRAZ ELECTIC AND ELECTRONICS SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority:** Fars Industries and exports promotion co.

**Headquarters:** P. O. Box 71345•1445 Shiraz, Iran.

**Tel.: (071) 332633, Fax: (071) 308842**

**19- YAZAD TEXTILE INDUSTRIES SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority:** Yazd Industrial Parks Co.

**Headquarters:** Yazd Governorship, Yazd ,Iran.

**20- PERSIAN GULF SHIP BUILDING SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE**

**Authority :** Persian Gulf Ship Building Complex Co.

**Headquarters: ?**

**Tel.: ?**