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THE BUSINESS LICENSING ACT,
(CAP. 101)

ORDER

(Made under section 14A(2))

THE BUSINESS LICENSING (PROHIBITION OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES FOR NON-CITIZENS) ORDER, 2025

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Business Licensing (Prohibition of Business Activities for Non-Citizens) Order, 2025.

Interpretation
Cap. 357

2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, “non-citizen” has the meaning ascribed to it under the Tanzania Citizenship Act.

Prohibited
business
activities

3.-(1) The business activities specified in the Schedule to this Order shall not be carried out by non-citizens.

(2) Upon coming into effect of this Order, licensing authorities shall not issue or renew a licence for a non-citizen to carry out any of the business activities prohibited under this Order.

(3) Subject to the provisions of subparagraph (2), a person commits an offence if-

(a) in case of a non-citizen, such person carries out any of the business activities specified in the Schedule to this Order and upon conviction shall

- be liable to a fine of not less than ten million shillings or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months and revocation of visa and resident permit; and
- (b) in case of a Tanzanian citizen, such person assists or aids a non-citizen to carry out any of the business activities prohibited under this Order and upon conviction shall be liable to a fine of five million shillings or imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months.

Transition

4. Upon coming into effect of this Order, a non-citizen who holds a valid licence in respect of any of the business activities specified in the Schedule shall continue carrying out such activity up to such time when the licence expires.

SCHEDULE

(Made under order 3)

BUSINESS ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED FOR NON-CITIZENS

S/N	TYPE OF ACTIVITY
1.	The business of sale of goods on a wholesale and retail basis, excluding supermarkets, specialised product outlets, and wholesale centers for local producers.
2.	Mobile money transfers.
3.	Repair of mobile phones and electronic devices.
4.	Salon business unless the business is conducted in a hotel or for tourism purposes.
5.	Home, office and environmental cleanliness.
6.	Small-scale mining.
7.	Postal activities and parcel delivery within the country.
8.	Tour guiding within the country.
9.	Establishment and operation of radio and television.
10.	Operation of museums or curio shops.
11.	Brokerage or agency in businesses and real estate.
12.	Clearing and forwarding services.
13.	On-farm crop purchasing operations.
14.	Ownership or operation of gambling machines or devices, except within casino premises.
15.	Ownership and operation of micro and small industries.

Dodoma,
25th July, 2025

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