

NEMAQA: DRAFT NATIONAL DUST CONTROL AMENDMENT REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Hi there

The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, in terms of sections 32, 53(o), 55(3), 56 and 57 of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act 39 of 2004, published the draft National Dust Control Amendment Regulations for public comment. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication of the notice in the Government gazette or newspapers, whichever date is the last date, to the Director-General: Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment.

More information:

These proposed Regulations shall apply to any person conducting activities that have the potential to generate dust, including -

- any person conducting a mining activity;
- any person conducting a listed activity;
- A person conducting any other activity for a period exceeding 30 days;
- any person storing and or handling stockpile materials of more than 8 000 tons per month, that have the potential to generate dust.

The proposed amendments are aimed at providing clarity by:

- Defining activities that are applicable to the regulations;
- Updating the standard test method for the collection and measurement of dustfall to a locally accessible method as adopted by South African Bureau of standards;
- Improving requirements for the development, implementation, and procedural matters with respect to dust management plans;
- Repealing the existing regulations published in GN 827, GG 36974 of 1 November 2013.

The Regulations deal with, inter alia, the following matters:

1. Dustfall Standard Test Method
2. Prescribed Dustfall rates;
3. Dust Management Plan Development;
4. Dust Management Plan Implementation and Reporting;
5. Dust Management Plan Monitoring and Review;
6. Offences;
7. Penalties.

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We trust that this information will serve to be of some assistance to you and look forward to your positive feedback!

Implex regards,
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