



BANK OF MAURITIUS

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Reproduction of currency notes, bank notes or coins

Members of the Public are hereby informed that a new Section 43A entitled “Reproduction of currency notes, bank notes or coins” has been added to the Bank of Mauritius Act 2004 in December 2013, which requires every person, who intends to use in any size, scale or colour, any photograph of, or any drawing or design resembling, any Mauritius currency note, bank note or coin issued by the Bank under the Bank of Mauritius Act, in any advertisement or on any merchandise or product which that person manufactures, sells, circulates or otherwise distributes, **to seek the prior written permission of the Bank to that effect.**

The Bank has, today, with a view to assist members of the public to better understand the requirements surrounding the reproduction of bank notes and coins, issued a Guideline on reproduction of Mauritius currency notes and coins (the Guideline).

The Bank, further, wishes to impress on members of the public who are presently making use, in any size, scale or colour, any photograph of, or any drawing or design resembling, any Mauritius currency note, bank note or coin, in any advertisement or on any merchandise or product which that person manufactures, sells, circulates or distributes, to ensure compliance with the Guideline and seek the written permission of the Bank, within a period of three months of the date of issue of the Guideline.

Members of the public are requested to strictly adhere to the requirements of Section 43A of the Bank of Mauritius Act as well as the Guideline on reproduction of Mauritius currency notes and coins, as non-compliance therewith is a criminal offence.

Members of the public are invited to contact the Bank on 202 3839 for any query on the Guideline.

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