

30 June 2025

To: All Desensitised Explosives Licensees under SCDF

Dear Sir/Mdm

**TRANSFER OF REGULATORY CONTROL OF DESENSITISED EXPLOSIVES FROM SINGAPORE CIVIL DEFENCE FORCE (SCDF) TO SINGAPORE POLICE FORCE (SPF) UNDER THE GUNS, EXPLOSIVES AND WEAPONS CONTROL ACT 2021 (GEWCA)**

This letter is to inform all current holders of Desensitised Explosives (DEs) licences issued by SCDF under the Fire Safety Act (FSA) on the new regulatory regime for DEs when GEWCA take effect on 1 July 2025.

2. DEs are explosive substances (in solid or liquid states) with explosive properties have been suppressed by methods such as wetting with water or alcohols, or dilution with other substances and will be regulated as 'Explosives' under GEWCA by the Police. The use, possession, manufacture, supply, store, import/export, transshipment and transportation of DEs will require a licence from SPF. Please refer to **Annex A** for the list of DEs that are transferred to the SPF.

**TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR EXISTING LICENCES**

3. To facilitate the transition, the following existing licences for DEs issued by the SCDF under the FSA, which were granted before the operationalisation date of GEWCA on 1 July 2025, and operations/activities are consistent with GEWCA provisions will continue to remain valid until its expiry date.

- a. Storage Licences
- b. Import Licences
- c. Transport Licences<sup>1</sup>

**LICENCE FEE WAIVER**

4. The GEWCA licence fee will be waived for existing SCDF licensees who apply for a GEWCA licence from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026. The GEWCA licence issued will be issued with a tenure for 3 years. In addition, companies involved in multiple activities that require licences, may make a single application for a "bundled" licence. This will save time applying for multiple, different licences by a single company. Application can be made at <https://www.gobusiness.gov.sg/>.

1 –This does not apply to the driver's HazMat Transport Driver Permit for road vehicle. The application remains the same and is regulated by SCDF.

## **NEXT STEPS**

5. All licence holders should:
  - a. Review their current operations to ensure compliance with GEWCA requirements; and
  - b. Apply for their GEWCA licences by 30 June 2026 before the expiry of your existing SCDF licence to enjoy the fee waiver.
6. For details on the GEWCA legislation, please visit <https://sso.agc.gov.sg/>. For more details on the regulatory framework and fees, please visit SPF websites at <https://www.police.gov.sg/e-Services/Police-Licences/Overview-of-Gun-Explosive-Weapon-Licences/Information-on-Explosive-Licence-Matters>
7. If you have enquiries, please contact Police Regulatory Department at hotline: 6557 5873 (between 8.30 am and 5.30 pm, Monday to Friday) or submit your enquiry using FormSG at <https://www.go.gov.sg/spf-prd>.
8. Thank you.

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GUNS EXPLOSIVES AND WEAPONS DIVISION  
POLICE REGULATORY DEPARTMENT  
SINGAPORE POLICE FORCE**

**Annex A**

| <b>S/No.</b> | <b>HS Code</b> | <b>Product Description</b>  | <b>CA Product Code</b> |
|--------------|----------------|---|------------------------|
| 1            | 28432900       | SILVER PICRATE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 30 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE001              |
| 2            | 28500000       | BARIUM AZIDE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 50% WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE002              |
| 3            | 29042010       | TRINITROTOLUENE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10% WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE003A             |
| 4            | 29042010       | TRINITROTOLUENE WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 30 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE003B             |
| 5            | 29042090       | TRINITROBENZENE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10% WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE004A             |
| 6            | 29042090       | TRINITROBENZENE WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 30 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE004B             |
| 7            | 29049900       | TRINITROCHLOROBENZENE WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10% WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE005              |
| 8            | 29089200       | SODIUM DINITRO-O-CRESOLATE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10% WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE006A             |
| 9            | 29089200       | SODIUM DINITRO-O-CRESOLATE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 15 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS                                   | ANEXDE006B             |
| 10           | 29089900       | DINITROPHENOL, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 15 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE007A             |
| 11           | 29089900       | DINITROPHENOLATES, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 15 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE007B             |
| 12           | 29089900       | DINITRORESORCINOL, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 15 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE007C             |
| 13           | 29089900       | TRINITROPHENOL, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 30 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE007D             |
| 14           | 29089900       | TRINITROPHENOL WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10% WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE007E             |
| 15           | 29089900       | AMMONIUM PICRATE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE007F             |
| 16           | 29163990       | TRINITROBENZOIC ACID, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10% WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE008A             |
| 17           | 29163990       | TRINITROBENZOIC ACID, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 30 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE008B             |
| 18           | 29209000       | NITROGLYCERIN MIXTURE, DESENSITIZED, SOLID, N.O.S. WITH MORE THAN 2% BUT NOT MORE THAN 10% NITROGLYCERIN, BY MASS | ANEXDE009A             |
| 19           | 29209000       | NITROGLYCERIN MIXTURE, DESENSITIZED, LIQUID, N.O.S. WITH NOT MORE THAN 30% NITROGLYCERIN, BY MASS                 | ANEXDE009B             |
| 20           | 29209000       | NITROGLYCERIN, SOLUTION IN ALCOHOL WITH MORE THAN 1% BUT NOT MORE THAN 5% NITROGLYCERIN                           | ANEXDE009C             |

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| 21 | 29209000 | NITROGLYCERIN, SOLUTION IN ALCOHOL, WITH NOT MORE THAN 1 PERCENT NITROGLYCERIN  | ANEXDE009D |
| 22 | 29222900 | SODIUM PICRAMATE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 20 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE010A |
| 23 | 29222900 | ZIRCONIUM PICRAMATE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 20% WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE010B |
| 24 | 29222900 | 2-AMINO-4,6-DINITROPHENOL, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 20% WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE010C |
| 25 | 29241990 | UREA NITRATE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 20 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE011A |
| 26 | 29241990 | UREA NITRATE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10% WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE011B |
| 27 | 29280090 | 4-NITROPHENYL-HYDRAZINE, WITH NOT LESS THAN 30% WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE012  |
| 28 | 29299090 | NITROGUANIDINE, WETTED OR PICRITE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 20 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE013  |
| 29 | 29319090 | DIPICRYL SULPHIDE, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 10% WATER, BY MASS   | ANEXDE014  |
| 30 | 29339990 | 1-HYDROXYBENZOTRIAZOLE MONOHYDRATE  | ANEXDE015  |
| 31 | 35051090 | NITROSTARCH, WETTED WITH NOT LESS THAN 20 PERCENT WATER, BY MASS  | ANEXDE016  |
| 32 | 36020000 | NITROGLYCERIN MIXTURE, DESENSITIZED, LIQUID, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. WITH NOT MORE THAN 30% NITROGLYCERIN, BY MASS  | ANEXDE017A |
| 33 | 36020000 | PENTAERYTHRIT TETRANITRATE MIXTURE, DESENSITIZED, SOLID, N.O.S. WITH MORE THAN 10% BUT NOT MORE THAN 20% PETN, BY MASS                              | ANEXDE017B |
| 34 | 36020000 | DESENSITIZED EXPLOSIVE, LIQUID, N.O.S.  | ANEXDE017C |
| 35 | 36020000 | DESENSITIZED EXPLOSIVE, SOLID, N.O.S.   | ANEXDE017D |
| 36 | 39122011 | WATER-BASED SEMI-FINISHED NITROCELLULOSE, NITROCELLULOSE WITH WATER (NON-PLASTICISED), NITROCELLULOSE WITH WATER (NOT LESS THAN 25% WATER, BY MASS) | ANEXDE018A |
| 37 | 39122011 | <b>WATER-DAMPED</b> NITROCELLULOSE SOLUTION, FLAMMABLE WITH NOT MORE THAN 12.6% NITROGEN, BY DRY MASS, AND NOT MORE THAN 55% NITROCELLULOSE         | ANEXDE018B |
| 38 | 39122012 | NITROCELLULOSE WITH ALCOHOL (NOT LESS THAN 25% ALCOHOL, BY MASS, AND NOT MORE THAN 12.6% NITROGEN, BY DRY MASS)                                     | ANEXDE019A |
| 39 | 39122012 | <b>ALCOHOL-DAMPED</b> NITROCELLULOSE SOLUTION, FLAMMABLE WITH NOT MORE  | ANEXDE019B |

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|    |          | THAN 12.6% NITROGEN, BY DRY MASS, AND NOT MORE THAN 55% NITROCELLULOSE                                 |            |
| 40 | 39122020 | NITROCELLULOSE, WITH NOT MORE THAN 12.6% NITROGEN, BY DRY MASS, MIXTURE WITH PLASTICIZER, WITH PIGMENT | ANEXDE020A |
| 41 | 39122020 | NITROCELLULOSE WITH WATER (PLASTICISED)  | ANEXDE020B |

**Note:** Product Code Quantity Unit must be the same as HS Code Quantity Unit.