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L.N. 151 of 2024

ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT
(CAP. 549)

Trees and Woodlands Protection (Amendment) Regulations, 2024

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by articles 54 and 55 of the Environment Protection Act, the Minister responsible for the environment after consultation with the Environment and Resources Authority, has made the following regulations:-

Citation.

1. The title of these regulations is the Trees and Woodlands Protection (Amendment) Regulations, 2024, and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Trees and Woodlands Protection Regulations, hereinafter referred to as the "principal regulations".

S.L. 549.123.

Amends regulation 3 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 3 of the principal regulations, the definition "protected tree" shall be substituted by the following new definition:

"protected tree" means all those trees listed in the First Schedule and those which are protected in urban public open spaces listed in the Second Schedule;".

Amends regulation 9 of the principal regulations.

3. In sub-regulation (2) of regulation 9 of the principal regulations, the words "in the Second Schedule unless duly permitted." shall be substituted by the words "in the Second Schedule, including specimens cultivated in pots, unless duly permitted.".

Substitutes regulation 13 of the principal regulations.

4. Regulation 13 of the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following new regulation:

"Activity which may be damaging to any specimen.

13. No person shall carry out or permit to carry out any activity which in the opinion of the Authority may be damaging to any protected tree unless permitted by the Authority.".

Amends regulation 14 of the principal regulations.

5. In regulation 14 of the principal regulations the words "any tree, or part thereof if the specimen is listed in the First Schedule" shall be substituted by the words "any protected tree or parts thereof".

Amends regulation 17 of the principal regulations.

6. Sub-regulation (1) of regulation 17 of the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

(a) paragraph (c) thereof shall be substituted by the following new paragraph:

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"(c) generate a fire near any protected tree;"

(b) paragraph (d) thereof shall be substituted by the following new paragraph:

"(d) let off fireworks within twenty (20) metres from a protected tree unless adequate measures are put in place to safeguard the trees.".

Amends regulation 20 of the principal regulations.

7. Sub-regulation (1) of regulation 20 of the principal regulations the words "on any tree listed under the First Schedule" shall be substituted by the words "on any protected tree".

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