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2. HCSL Exemptions

The Health and Citizen Security Levy takes effect from 2nd August 2023.

Here is what is exempt.

- 1. Goods and Services specified in Schedule 3 of the Health and Citizen Security Act No. 16 of 2023**
- 2. Services not outlined in Schedule 1 and 2 of the Health and Citizen Security Act No. 16 of 2023**
- 3. Anything that is exempt or zero rated from VAT is also exempt from the Levy.**

SCHEDULE 3 – EXEMPTED GOODS AND SERVICES

| Chapter | Description of Goods |
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| Chapter 1 | Live animals |
| Chapter 2 | Meat and edible meat offal |
| Chapter 3 | Fish crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates |
| Chapter 4 | Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included |
| Chapter 5 | Products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included |
| Chapter 6 | Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage |
| Chapter 7 | Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers |
| Chapter 8 | Edible fruit and nuts; peel of fruits or melons |
| Chapter 9 | Coffee, tea, mate and spices |
| Chapter 10 | Cereals |
| Chapter 11 | Products of the milling industry; malt; starches; inulin; wheat gluten |
| Chapter 12 | Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit; industrial or medicinal plants; straw and fodder |



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| Chapter 13 | Lac; gums, resins and other vegetable saps and extracts |
| Chapter 14 | Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products not elsewhere specified or included |
| Chapter 15 | Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes |
| Chapter 16 | Preparations of meat, of fish or of crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates |
| Chapter 17 | Sugars and sugar confectionery |
| Chapter 18 | Cocoa and cocoa preparations |
| Chapter 19 | Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastrycooks' products |
| Chapter 20 | Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants |
| Chapter 21 | Miscellaneous edible preparations |
| Chapter 26 | Ores, slag and ash |
| Chapter 27 | Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral waxes |
| Chapter 30 | Pharmaceutical products |
| Chapter 31 | Fertilizers |
| Chapter 32 | Tanning or dyeing extracts; tannins and their derivatives; dyes, pigments and other colouring matter; paints and varnishes; putty and other mastics; inks |
| Chapter 33 | Essential oils and resinoids; perfumery, cosmetic or toilet preparations |
| Chapter 34 | Soap, organic surface-active agents, washing preparations, lubricating preparations, artificial waxes, prepared waxes, polishing or scouring preparations, candles and similar articles, modelling pastes, "dental waxes" and dental preparations with a basis of plaster |
| Chapter 35 | Albuminoidal substances; modified starches; glues; enzymes |



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| Chapter 36 | Explosives; pyrotechnic products; matches; pyrophoric alloys; certain combustible preparations |
| Chapter 37 | Photographic or cinematographic goods |
| Chapter 38 | Miscellaneous chemical products |
| Chapter 39 | Plastics and articles thereof |

Part 2. Goods under the following Customs Tariff numbers

| Tariff Sub Heading and Numbers | Description of Goods |
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| 22.02 | Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or flavoured, and other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 20.09 |
| 2522.1 | Quicklime |
| 2522.2 | Slacklime |
| 2522.3 | Hydraulic |
| 2523.1 | Cement clickers, white cement |
| 2523.291 | Building cement |
| 2523.292 | Oilwell cement |
| 2523.299 | Other (cement) |
| 2523.3 | Aluminous cement |
| 2523.9 | Other hydraulic cement |
| 4014.90.00 | Sheath Contraceptives |
| 44.01 | Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms; wood in chips or particles; sawdust and wood waste and scrap, whether or not agglomerated in logs, briquettes, pellets or similar forms. |



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| 4403.10.10.00 | Of coniferous species |
| 4403.10.20.00 | Of mahogany |
| 4403.99.10.00 | Of greenheart |
| 4407.10.10.00 | Pitch-pine |
| 4407.10.20.00 | Caribbean cedar (<i>Cedrela odorata</i>) |
| 4407.91.00.00 | Of oak (<i>Quercus</i> spp.) |
| 4407.93.00.00 | Of maple (<i>Acer</i> spp.) |
| 4407.99.10.00 | Greenheart |
| 4409.10.10.00 | Pitch-pine |
| 4409.10.20.00 | Caribbean cedar (<i>Cedrela odorata</i>) |
| 4409.29.20.00 | Greenheart |
| 4416.00.10.00 | Casks, barrels and puncheons, of oak |
| 4408.10.10.00 | Veneer sheets and sheets for plywood |
| 4408.39.10.00 | Veneer sheets and sheets for plywood |
| 4411.94.00.00 | Of a density not exceeding 0.5 g/cm ² |
| 4412.10.00.00 | Of bamboo |
| 4412.31.00.00 | With at least one outer ply of tropical wood specified in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter |
| 4412.32.00.00 | Other, with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood |
| 4412.39.00.00 | Other |
| 4413.00.00.00 | Densified wood, in blocks, plates, strips or profile shapes |
| 4418.90.10.00 | Cellular wood panels, whether or not faced with base metal |
| 4420.90.10.00 | Wood marquetry and inlaid wood |



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| 4421.90.10.00 | Spools, cops, bobbins, sewing thread reels and the like, of turned wood |
| 4818 .10.00 | Toilet paper |
| 4820.10.00 | Notebooks |
| 4820.20.00 | Exercise Books |
| 7208.10 through 7208.90 | Flat rolled products of iron or non-iron steel of a width of 600 mm or more, hot rolled, not clad, plated or coated |
| 7209.11 through 7209.90 | Flat rolled products of iron or non-iron steel, of a width of 600 mm or more, cold rolled, not clad, plated or coated |
| 7210.11 through to 7210.90 | Flat rolled products of iron or non-iron steel, of a width of 600 mm or more, cold rolled, not clad, plated or coated |
| 7211.13 through to 7212.609 | Flat rolled products of iron or non-iron steel, of a width of 600 mm or more, clad, plated or coated |
| 7212.10 through to 7212.609 | Flat rolled products of iron or non-iron steel, of a width of less than 600 mm clad, plated or coated |
| 7214.20.90 | Flat rolled products of iron or non-iron steel, of a width of 600 mm or more not clad, plated or coated |
| | Flat rolled products of iron or non-iron steel, of a width of less than 600 mm clad, plated or coated |
| | Of non-alloy steel |
| 7306.61.00 | Of square or rectangular cross-section |
| 7314.20.10 | Grill |
| 7314.20.90 | Other |
| 7314.31.10 | Grill |
| 7606.11.20.00 | Corrugated sheets |
| 8311.10.90 | Of other base metal |
| 90.17.80.00 | Other Instruments |
| 9603.21.00 | Toothbrushes, including dental-plate brushes |
| 96.19 | Sanitary towels (pads) and tampons, napkins and napkin liners for babies and similar articles, of any materials |
| 9609.10.20 | Crayons |



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