

GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF ESWATINI**MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND TRADE****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****PERMITS FOR ESWATINI ESSENTIAL INDUSTRIES**

The Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Trade is issuing permits for essential industries during the ongoing partial lockdown as pronounced by His Excellency Ambrose Mandvulo Dlamini on the 24th March 2020.

The permits are being issued for industries servicing the domestic market as well as those doing cross border trade. They are aimed at assisting essential industries operate efficiently and may need to be produced when required by Government officials, including armed forces, as well as inspectors. For cross-border traders, the permits will help them have smooth passage into and out of our neighbouring countries. It is also essential for those doing cross border trade to further provide a copy of the permit to the transporter for ease of travel.

To apply for a permit, traders are expected to submit a request, in writing, with the following details:

1. Name of Company
2. Company ID for large enterprises and Grant Number for informal traders
3. Contact Person's Name and Surname
4. Contact Person's Cell Number
5. Contact Person's Email Address
6. Company physical address

Requests should be made by email to mlulekisakhile@yahoo.com or by Whatsapp to **7642 8827**.

The Ministry shall be vetting information submitted and any false declaration by companies shall be punishable by law.

Revenue collection, funeral parlours

On another note, the Ministry wishes to add revenue collection and funeral parlours in the list of essential industries.

Released by:**Senator Manqoba B. Khumalo**

Honourable Minister for Commerce, Industry and Trade

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