

## **Ministry of Environment**

## AIR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT & NATIONAL OZONE UNIT NOTICE

## Registration for obtaining quota to import hydrochlorofluorocarbon (HCFCs) in 2022

Sri Lanka is a party to the Montreal Protocol on substances that deplete the ozone layer since 1989. The Air Resource Management & National Ozone Unit of the Ministry of Environment is functioning as the National Focal Point for Sri Lanka in implementing policy decisions of the Montreal Protocol.

All the member states of the Montreal Protocol have agreed to reduce the production and consumption of hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) systematically and gradually in stages as per the decision No. XIX/6 of the 19th meeting of Parties to the Montreal Protocol. Accordingly, the maximum allowable limits of HCFCs for annual consumption have been determined by each member country. In accordance with the Montreal Protocol regulations, 35% reduction of HCFC, consumption from the baseline (13.9 ODPT) was commenced from 1st January 2020 until 31st December 2024. The amount of import quota for this period was determined based on this reduction target. The Ministry of Environment distributes this annual HCFCs quota among eligible business entities at the beginning of every year, following a methodology that was formulated by an Official Committee.

Accordingly, the business entities that are engaged in importing of refrigerants for the last 05 years (2017-2021) or more or institutions that can substantiate their engagement in activities related to servicing & maintenance, installation, assembling of air-conditioners, will also be eligible to receive quotas for the year 2022. Interested business entities who wish to obtain HCFC quotas for the year 2022, are hereby invited to submit an application to the Ministry of Environment under one of the following categories:

- 1. Business Entities providing servicing & maintenance, installation, assembling by using HCFCs refrigerants in the refrigeration and air-conditioning sector during the past five years (2017-2021).
- 2. Business Entities engaged only in the importation of HCFCs refrigerants during the past five years (2017-2021).

Applicants are informed that providing of undermentioned information is compulsory when submitting applications for the registration:

- 1. Name of the institution:
- 2. Name of the owner:
- 3. Address of the institute:
- 4. Personal address of the owner:
- 5. Telephone Number & official email address:
- 6. Business Registration Number and date:
- 7. Nature of Business:
- 8. Income Tax No. (If applicable):
- 9. TIN Number (If applicable):
- 10. VAT No (If applicable):
- Records on experience in importation of HCFCs or servicing & maintenance, installation and assembling by using HCFCs refrigerants.
  (HCFCs refrigerant type and quantities of importations / used for servicing & maintenance, installation and assembling service provided during the past five (5) years (2017-2021))
- 12. Type and quantity (Kgs) of HCFCs refrigerants intended to import during year 2022:

Certified copies of supportive documents to verify above information should be submitted along with the applications. **The applications submitted without valid supporting documents will be rejected.** An interview will be conducted (if necessary) by the official Committee to ascertain the authenticity of the documents provided and to recommend the allocation of quota to each eligible applicant. The decision of the Secretary to the Ministry of Environment in respect of this process shall be the final.

Applications for registration along with the certified copies of documents should be sent either by registered post addressed to **Director**, **Air Resource Management & National Ozone Unit**, **Ministry of Environment**, "Sobadam Piyasa", 416/C/1, Robert Gunawardana Mawatha, Battaramulla or by email to noulanka@ gmail.com to reach on or before December, 27, 2021 at 4.00 p.m. Further details in this regard could be obtained over the telephone through 0112034221, 0112034218 or by sending an email to noulanka@gmail.com.

Secretary Ministry of Environment Battaramulla