<u>FOOD IMPORT UNIT (FIU)</u> <u>MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS</u>

<u>Guidelines issued under Food Regulation 2(A) of the Food</u> <u>Regulations 1999 (as amended)</u>

Documents required to be uploaded in the Trade Net for health clearance of food consignments imported in Mauritius.

- 1. Compulsory Documents:
 - a. Bill of Entry (BOE) (or a Validated Import Reference Number having legal recognizance);
 - b. Bill of Lading as mentioned in the Bill of Entry (BOE) for sea consignment or Air Way Bill as mentioned in the Bill of Entry (BOE) for air consignment;
 - c. Stuffing list, Packing List; and
 - d. Commercial invoice as mentioned in the Bill of Entry (BOE);
- 2. Apart from the above-mentioned compulsory documents, additional documents (if applicable) to be attached, e.g.
 - a. Pre-market Approval Permit of the Food Product from the Importer;
 - b. Health Certificate issued by the competent authority of the exporting country certifying the fitness for human consumption of the food consignment;
 - c. Certificate of Analysis/Test Certificate with results on parameters tested;
 - d. Receipt of payment for fumigation of food in containers or holds of ships;
 - e. Import Permit issued by Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security in case of primary agriculture produce/ horticultural produce;
 - f. Import Permit & Veterinary Entry Document (VED) issued by Division of Veterinary Services, Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security, in case of animal products;
 - g. Import Permit issued by Ministry of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping in case of seafoods and seafoods products
 - h. Health Declaration by master/skipper with respect to fish/seafood consignments lying on board fishing vessels
 - i. Phyto-Sanitary Certificate issued by the Plant Quarantine Department of Exporting Country in case of primary agriculture/ horticulture produce with fumigation endorsement;
 - j. Pumping Guarantee Certificate in case of edible oil imported in bulk;
 - k. Radio Activity Certificate, if irradiation is used;
 - 1. Free Sale Certificate;
 - m. A letter from the importer certifying to the Supervising Officer of the Ministry of Health & Wellness that the imported food (as per the First Schedule of the

Consumer Protection (Price and Supplies Control) Act GN 93 of 2020) has a valid shelf life of at least 50 per cent at the time of shipment.