EXEMPTION FROM APPLICATION FOR LAND CONVERSION PERMIT UP TO 2 HECTARES (4.7392 ARPENTS)*

GUIDELINES

1. Any owner of land wishing to convert agricultural land not exceeding 2 hectares (4.7392 Arpents)* in the aggregate will henceforth no longer be required to apply for a Land Conversion Permit at the Ministry.

Note: * The aggregate of two (2) hectares of land may be made up of more than one portion of land located in different places in Mauritius.

2. ELIGIBILITY

The following criteria should be satisfied:

- (i) the person should not own more than 4.221 hectares (10 Arpents) of land in the aggregate, whether it is agricultural or not;
- (ii) the land where exemption is being requested for, should be located in an area where development is permissible in accordance with an outline scheme or the strategic and detailed development policies of a development plan, as the case may be;
- (iii) the land should not be located in an irrigation area as defined in Section 14 of the Irrigation Authority Act; and
- (iv) the land should not form part of a land which was subdivided for agricultural purposes.
- **3.** The owner(s) will have to apply directly to the relevant Local Authorities for a Building and Land Use Permit and/or Morcellement Board for a Morcellement Permit.
- **4.** For all those who own up to 4.221 hectares (10 Arpents) in the aggregate and wishing to convert more than 2 hectares (for example 3 hectares) will be exempted for the first 2 hectares and will be required to apply for a Land Conversion Permit for the remaining extent.
- **5**. For any additional queries or assistance, interested parties may contact the Information Desk of the Land Conversion Unit of the Ministry of Agro Industry and Food Security at the following address:

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