



**ESWATINI
COMMUNICATIONS
COMMISSION**

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REGULATION OF RADIO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT (OPERATING WITHOUT AN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT DEALER'S LICENCE)

The Eswatini Communications Commission is the regulatory authority established by the Eswatini Communications Act of 2013 to provide for regulatory function with regards to telecommunications services and networks, type approval, broadcasting services, data protection, postal services, electronic commerce, and the use and allocation of radio frequency spectrum.

Section 41(1) of the Electronic Communications Act, 2013, as read with Regulation 16(1) of the Electronic Communications (Importation, type approval and distribution of communications equipment) Regulations of 2016 provides that, a person shall not supply, import or distribute radio communications equipment without possessing a valid dealer's licence granted by the Commission. Regulation 20 empowers the Commission to conduct inspections and entitles an authorised officer of the Commission to enter premises on which a supplier is keeping communications equipment for the purpose of inspecting the equipment.

The Commission, in the exercise of its regulatory powers, has observed that there are a number of businesses involved in the importation, distribution and selling of electronic communications equipment without a dealer's licence issued by the Commission in accordance with the law.

In light of the above and to rectify the current breach of the applicable legal frameworks, such businesses are hereby directed to apply for the dealer's licence with the Commission by **no later than 30 September, 2022**

Failure to do so shall attract censure by the Commission, including the enforcement of corrective measures as provided for in the Eswatini Communications Act, 2013.

Application forms for the dealer's licence are available at the Commission's offices, and may also be downloaded at **www.esccom.org.sz** or requested by sending an email to **typeapproval@esccom.org.sz**.

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