



THE MINING ACT, 2016
(No. 12 of 2016)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by Section 223 (1) and 223(2)(a) of the Mining Act, 2016, the Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs makes the following Regulations—

THE MINING (GEMSTONE IDENTIFICATION AND VALUE ADDITION) (FEES) REGULATIONS, 2023

- Citation. **1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Mining (Gemstone Identification and Value Addition) (Fees) Regulations, 2023.
- Application. **2.** These Regulations shall apply to all gemstone identification and value addition centres within the Republic of Kenya.
- Interpretation **3.** In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—
- “Act” means the Mining Act No. 12 of 2016;
- “Cabinet Secretary” has the same meaning assigned to it under the Act;
- “cabochon” means a smoothly rounded polished gemstone with a domed top and a flat curved base that is low grade and cannot be faceted;
- “cabbing” is a process of polishing gemstones to form a rounded polished gemstone with a domed top and a flat curved surface;
- “facet” means a flat polished surface on a finished gem;
- “faceting” is an art of grinding and cutting fine rough gemstone to acquire a polished surface using a faceting machine into a scintillating finished gemstone;
- “gemstone” means a piece of mineral crystal which, in cut and polished form, is used to make jewellery or other adornments;
- “gemstone identification” is a laboratory process that is carried out to determine the true type and nature of gemstone/mineral sample;
- “sawing” is a process of reducing or splitting a mineral sample using an electric diamond saw to manageable sizes;

“tumbling” is a process of polishing gemstones through abrasion to make smoothly polished rounded beads using a tumbler;

Fees

4. The fees set out in the Schedule shall apply to the matters respectively indicated.

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5. The Mining (Gemstone Identification and Value Addition) (Fees) Regulations, 2023 is revoked.

SCHEDULE

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FEES FOR GEMSTONE IDENTIFICATION AND VALUE ADDITION

Service	Description	Cost in Ksh			
Identification	Identification Certificate. Gives complete Lab report on the gemstone characteristics	1,500			
Sawing	Reduction in Size per piece	100			
Faceting	Category 1 Top Gemstone	0.1ct- 0.5ct	0.5ct- 2.9 ct	3.0ct- 4.0ct	Above 4ct
	1. Corundum 2. Tsavorite 3. Tanzanite/Zoisite 4. Spinel 5. Emerald 6. Zircon 7. Demantoid 8. Alexandrite	500Ksh. per piece	500Ksh. per piece	1000Ksh. Per piece	2000Ksh. Per piece
		0.1ct- 0.9ct	1.0ct- 3.0ct	4.0ct and above	Special Stones>5.0ct

	Category 2(Semi Gemstone) 1. Aquamarine 2. Tourmaline 3. Rhodolite 4. Pyrope 5. Quartz 6. Spessartite 7. Malaya-garnet 8. Iolite 9. Hessonite 10. Change color garnet	300Ksh. Per piece	300Ksh. Per piece	500Ksh. per piece	1000Ksh. Per piece
Tumbling	Bulk material for bead work, Cabochon material in kilograms	2,500Ksh per kg			
Gabbing	Cabochon material using cabbng Machine per piece	500Ksh. Per piece			

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