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**PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL**

**Government Notifications**

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**NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL ACT, No. 47 OF 1980**

**Regulations under Section 32**

REGULATIONS made by the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources under Paragraph (h) of Sub-section (2) of Section 32 (2) (h) of the National Environmental Act, No. 47 of 1980.

PATALI CHAMPIKA RANAWAKA,  
Minister of Environment and Natural Resources.

Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,  
Colombo,  
10th September, 2009.

**REGULATIONS**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Environmental (Municipal Solid Waste) Regulations, No. 1 of 2009.

2. (1) No person shall—

(a) dump municipal solid waste along sides of any national highway ;

(b) dump solid waste at any place other than places designated for such purpose by the relevant local authority or any person or body of persons authorized by them in that behalf.

(2) Any person contravening the provisions of this regulation shall be guilty of an offence punishable under Section 31 of the Act.

3. No person shall collect or cause to be collected any municipal solid waste from any designated place along the national highway, other than during the hours of 6.00 p.m. to 6.00 a.m.

Provided that the collection of domestic waste may be carried out by any person or body of persons authorized in that behalf, from the respective households, during the hours of 6.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.

4. For the purpose of these regulations—

“Act” means the National Environmental Act, No. 47 of 1980 ;

“Central Environmental Authority” means the Central Environmental Authority established under provisions of the National Environmental Act, No. 47 of 1980 ;

“designated place” means the temporary collection points as identified by the relevant local authorities for the collection of municipal solid waste ;

“Municipal Solid Waste” includes garbage, refuse or a variety of solid material which is in excess of, or is discarded or rejected as useless or unwanted, from human and animal activities which originates from households, commercial establishments and community actions, and shall not include—

(a) waste material prescribed as Scheduled Waste by Regulation published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1534/18 of February 1, 2008 ; and

(b) waste or discharges of any industrial process, agricultural wastes and sewage sludge and source separated recyclables.

(The general components of Municipal Solid Waste are food, paper, plastics, metals, glass, street, sweepings garden or yard trimmings and miscellaneous organic and inorganic wastes).

“National Highways” shall have the same meaning as in the National Thorough fares Act, No. 40 of 2008.