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# SUBSTITUTION OF PERMITS FOR INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS

DECREE NO. 39/2003, OF 26 NOVEMBER AND ANNUAL UPDATING OF DATA

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Article 44 of the Industrial Activity Licensing Regulation- Decree no. 22/2014, of 16 May - which came into force 90 days after its publication, provides that “operating industrial establishments, whose permits or registrations were obtained under Decree no.39/2003, of 26 November, must, **within one year of the date of entry into force of this regulation**, substitute them under the terms of this Decree. They will only be subject to levies for the first issue of the permit”.

The aim of Article 44 is for industrial establishments to adapt to the (new) legal framework introduced by the Decree mentioned above. This framework includes the classification of industrial establishments into large, medium, small and micro sizes, and the fact that, as from 2014, companies that own industrial establishments are required to update their data annually between January and March with the entity that issued the permit.

The classification of industrial establishments is based on the value of the investment and the number of workers that can be accommodated in the industrial unit. Only establishments classified as large are required to present an industrial project for the purposes of applying for a permit. All other categories of establishment are exempt.

The process for updating the data of industrial establishments runs until 31 March 2016 and this is done at the country's various One-stop-shops and at the District Offices for Economic Activity.

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