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## TELECOMMUNICATIONS (DATA COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE) REGULATIONS, 2003

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Commencement: 6th October, 2003.

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the *Telecommunications* (*Data Communications Service*) *Regulations*, 2003.

2. In these Regulations,

"data communications service" means the movement of video and data information from one point to another by means of radio or 2004/143. optical transmission systems, including such means as free space optics, short messaging systems, general packet radio systems local multipoint distribution systems and any information transfer from computer to computer.

**3.** A person who is desirous of providing data communications service to the public may,

- (a) on application to the Minister in the relevant form referred to in regulation 8; and
- (b) on payment of the relevant fee specified in the *Telecommuni* 2003/78. *cations (Licence Fees) Regulations, 2003,*

obtain a licence for the purpose.

- 4. A licence issued under regulation 3
- (a) shall be subject to such conditions as are specified in the 2004/143. licence; and

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Subject to regulation 6, a licence issued under regulation 3 shall be for the period specified in the licence on payment of the relevant fee set out in the *Telecommunications (Licence Fees) Regulations, 2003.*

**6.** Where the licensee fails to comply with any provision of these Regulations or with any of the conditions referred to in regulation 4, the Minister may cancel or refuse to renew the licence.

**7.** A licence issued under regulation 3 is valid for the provision of domestic data communications service only until the date of the commencement of Phase III of the Transition Timetable.

**8.** An applicant who is desirous of providing data communications service pursuant to these Regulations shall also complete an application form in respect of an application for

- (a) a spectrum licence;
- (b) a service provider licence; and
- (c) a network licence.