

**GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TRADE IN SERVICES**

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**MAURITIUS**

**Schedule of Specific Commitments**

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**MAURITIUS - SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS**

Modes of supply: 1) Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abroad 3) Commercial presence 4) Presence of natural persons

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<p><b>I. HORIZONTAL COMMITMENTS</b></p> <p><b>ALL SECTORS INCLUDED IN THIS SCHEDULE</b></p>	<p>3) To be governed by the provisions of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Companies Act (1984)</li> <li>- Non-Citizens Property Restrictions Act (1975)</li> <li>- Non-Citizens Employment Restriction Act (1970)</li> <li>- Income Tax Act (1974)</li> <li>- Act No. 41 of Banking Act (1988)</li> <li>- Exchange Control Act</li> </ul> <p>4) Unbound except for measures affecting the entry and temporary stay of highly qualified natural persons and will be governed <i>inter alia</i> by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Passport Act, 1969</li> <li>- Immigration Act, 1973</li> </ul>	<p>3) Same as specified in the market access column</p> <p>4) Unbound except for measures concerning the categories of natural persons referred to in the market access column and will be governed <i>inter alia</i> by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Income Tax Act</li> <li>- Non-Citizens Employment Restrictions Act, 1970</li> </ul>	

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<b>II. SECTOR-SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS</b>			
<p>TELE-COMMUNICATIONS</p>	<p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Licensing requirement as per Telecommunication Act 1988</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	<p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Bound under existing national laws</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	
<p>(1) Telephone &amp; Facsimile</p>	<p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Licensing requirement as per Telecommunication Act 1988</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	<p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Bound under existing national laws</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	
<p>(2) Telex</p>	<p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Licensing requirement as per Telecommunication Act 1988</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	<p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Bound under existing national laws</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</p>	

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(3) Leased-Circuits Data Transmission	1) None		1) None		
	2) None		2) None		
	3) Licensing requirements as per Telecommunication Act 1988		3) Bound under existing national laws		
	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		
(4) Packet-Switching Data Transmission	1) None		1) None		
	2) None		2) None		
	3) Licensing requirements as per Telecommunication Act 1988		3) Bound under existing national laws		
	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		
(5) Telegraphy	1) None		1) None		
	2) None		2) None		
	3) Licensing requirements as per Telecommunication Act 1988		3) Bound under existing national laws		
	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		

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(6) Radio Maritime	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) None</li> <li>2) None</li> <li>3) Licensing requirements as per Telecommunication Act 1988</li> <li>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) None</li> <li>2) None</li> <li>3) Bound under existing national laws</li> <li>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) None</li> <li>2) None</li> <li>3) Free repatriation of profit governed by Bank of Mauritius Act and Income Tax Act</li> <li>2) None</li> <li>3) Foreign establishments must be staffed predominantly by Mauritians</li> <li>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</li> <li>1) Free repatriation of profit governed by Bank of Mauritius Act and Income Tax Act</li> <li>2) None</li> </ol>		
<b>TOURISM</b>					
(1) Hotel Operators	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The operator has to incorporate a company (Hotel Management Act 1982)</li> <li>2) None</li> <li>3) Foreign participation in hotels with less than 100 rooms limited to 49 per cent. In hotels with more than 100 rooms full foreign participation is allowed: none</li> <li>4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</li> <li>1) Foreign participation is allowed in projects of more than Rs 10 millions</li> <li>2) None</li> </ol>				
(2) Restaurant Operators					

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	3) The project must not be less than RS 10 million	3) Foreign establishments must be staffed predominantly by Mauritians	
(3) Travel agencies	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section 1) Travel agencies established outside of Mauritius must work through an agency established in Mauritius 2) None 3) Requires bank guarantee and licence. Clearance to be obtained from the Ministry of Tourism and Ministry of Internal and External Communication	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section 1) None 2) None 3) None	
	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	

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	Limitations on market access		Limitations on national treatment	
(4) Tour Operators	1) Restricted to Mauritian nationals 2) None		1) Restricted to Mauritian nationals 2) None	
	3) Permit requirement from the Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of Finance and Prime Minister's Office		3) To comply with the regulations of the National Transport Authority	
	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	
(5) Tourist guides services	1) Limited to Mauritian nationals. Exception made for languages not spoken by Mauritian's		1) Governed by Immigration Laws	
	2) None		2) None	
	3) Allowed only in linguistic scarcely areas		3) Governed by Income Tax Laws	
	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	

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(6) Tourist Transport Operation (car rental)	1)	Limited to Mauritian nationals only	1) Limited to Mauritian nationals only		
	2)	None	2) None		
	3)	Limited to Mauritian nationals only	3) Limited to Mauritian nationals only		
	4)	Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		
(7) Yacht Chartering & Cruising Services	1)	Reserved to Mauritian nationals. Pleasure Craft Act 1993	1) Reserved to Mauritian nationals		
	2)	None	2) None		
	3)	Reserved to Mauritian nationals. Pleasure Craft Act 1993	3) Reserved to Mauritian nationals		
	4)	Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		



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(8) Tourist Duty-Free Shops	1) Limited to Mauritian nationals 2) None 3) i) Requirement of an Export Service Certificate ii) Foreign participation limited to 30 per cent 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section		1) Limited to Mauritian nationals 2) None 3) i) Subject to customs supervision ii) Transaction in foreign currency with tourist customers only 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	