

Decree No. (20) of 2018
Exempting Economic Establishments from Fines and
Facilitating their Licence Renewal Process¹

We, Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Ruler of Dubai,

After perusal of:

Law No. (25) of 2008 Concerning the Department of Economic Development (the "DED");

Law No. (13) of 2011 Regulating the Conduct of Economic Activities in the Emirate of Dubai and its amendments;

Law No. (1) of 2016 Concerning the Financial Regulations of the Government of Dubai; and

Executive Council Resolution No. (13) of 2011 Approving the Fees and Fines of the Department of Economic Development, and

With a view to alleviating the financial burdens of economic Establishments in the Emirate of Dubai,

Do hereby issue this Decree.

Exemption from Fines
Article (1)

As of the effective date of this Decree, all economic Establishments licensed by the DED are hereby exempted from the fines imposed on them for violating the local legislation related to the DED.

Facilitating Licence Renewal Process
Article (2)

Without prejudice to its obligation to pay any outstanding fees and fines to any other Government Entity in the Emirate of Dubai, the failure by an economic Establishment to pay any such fees or fines will not affect the renewal process of that Establishment's licence by the

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¹Every effort has been made to produce an accurate and complete English version of this legislation. However, for the purpose of its interpretation and application, reference must be made to the original Arabic text. In case of conflict, the Arabic text will prevail.

DED, provided that the licence is renewed within the prescribed time frame or before the end of 2018, whichever comes first.

Deadline for Qualifying for Exemption and Renewal Process Facilitation
Article (3)

For an economic Establishment whose licence is expired to avail of the fine exemption and the licence renewal process facilitation stipulated in this Decree, such an Establishment must comply with the provisions hereof by renewing or cancelling its licence before the end of 2018.

Commencement and Publication
Article (4)

This Decree comes into force on 14 April 2018, and will be published in the Official Gazette.

Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum
Ruler of Dubai

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