

Technical Update

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Prakas Tax on Public Lighting

(Sub-Decree No. 47, dated 20 March 2024)

Taxable products refer to alcohol or tobacco.

A. Alcohol refers to all kinds of products containing alcohol, except for alcohol products used in the medical sector.

B. Merai refers to alcohol made by soaking various ingredients, such as beer or alcoholic beverages, except palm juice and wines produced without processing that retain their quality and/or packaging in the form of handicrafts or industry.

C. Tobacco refers to the whole product or part of the composition of tobacco leaves or tobacco or other substances that are raw materials produced for smoking, including cigarettes, cigars, and all kinds of electronic cigarettes.

Tax Rate

The tax for public lighting shall be determined at the rate of 5 percent of the tax base.

Tax Base Calculation

The basis for calculating the tax on public lighting is the cost of supply, recorded on the invoice, including taxes, excluding value-added tax and the tax for public lighting itself.

1. The tax for public lighting is due and must be paid only once when the first taxable product is supplied after production or import into the Kingdom of Cambodia.
2. The supply of taxable products produced from products that have already paid tax for public lighting shall be considered as the first supply after production.
3. The rules of supply shall apply in accordance with the rules of supply for value-added tax as stated in paragraphs 1 to 4 of Article 61 of the tax law.

Deadline of Tax Filing

The taxpayer is obliged to file a declaration and pay tax for public lighting every month no later than the 20th day of the month following the month in which the product is supplied.

Note: This prakas is imposed on **alcohol or tobacco products** which is not much difference from previous prakas.

For more information, we welcome any opportunity to further discuss Cambodia Taxation and Accounting, which is relevant to your business.

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