

L.N. 84 of 2008**TRADE DESCRIPTIONS (DEFINITION OF PLATINUM)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2008**

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 33 of the
Trade Descriptions Ordinance (Cap. 362))

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development by notice published in the Gazette.

2. Definition of platinum

(1) Regulation 3(1) of the Trade Descriptions (Definition of Platinum) Regulations (Cap. 362 sub. leg. B) is amended by repealing “or the Chinese characters “足白金” (Chuk Pak Kam)” and substituting “, “白金” or “鉑金””.

(2) Regulation 3 is amended by adding—

“(1A) The expression “足白金” or “足鉑金”, when used in any trade or business other than for articles described in the Second Schedule, means platinum or a platinum alloy of a fineness of not less than 990 parts in 1 000 parts by weight of alloy.”.

(3) Regulation 3(2) is amended by repealing “Chinese characters “足白金” (Chuk Pak Kam)” and substituting “expression “足白金” or “足鉑金””.

(4) Regulation 3(3) is amended by repealing “or “platinum alloy”” and substituting “, “platinum alloy”, “白金”, “白金合金”, “鉑金” or “鉑金合金””.

(5) Regulation 3(4) is amended by repealing “Chinese characters “足白金” (Chuk Pak Kam)” and substituting “expression “足白金” or “足鉑金””.

(6) Regulation 3(5) is amended by repealing everything after “words in the” and substituting—

“description—

(a) shall be in English; and

(b) shall not be less prominent than the word “platinum”.”.

(7) Regulation 3 is amended by adding—

“(6) If an article with a surface treatment of platinum is marked with words describing the treatment which include the characters “白金” or “鉑金”, the other words in the description—

- (a) shall be in Chinese; and
- (b) shall not be less prominent than the characters “白金” or “鉑金”, as the case may be.”.

3. Standards of fineness

The First Schedule is amended by repealing “Chuk Pak Kam (足白金)” and substituting “足白金 or 足鉑金 (Chuk Pak Kam)”.

4. Exempted articles

The Second Schedule is amended by repealing “3(1)]” and substituting “3]”.

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Trade Descriptions (Definition of Platinum) Regulations (Cap. 362 sub. leg. B) (“the principal Regulations”).

2. One of the purposes of the amendments is to add “鉑金” as an alternative to “白金”, the Chinese equivalent of “platinum”.
3. Section 2(6) and (7) amends regulation 3(5) of the principal Regulations and adds a new regulation 3(6) respectively so that the provision applies more effectively in relation to bilingual markings.