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CATALOGUING RULES

At the meeting of the CTTA Committee held on 7, October 2020, it was decided to amend the cataloguing rules towards reducing the number of lots, based on the volumes of each factory.

1. Categorization of factories

Small volume category: Less than 420,000 kg tea/yr

Medium volume category: Between 420,001 kg tea/yr and 900,000 kg tea/yr

Large volume category: Over 900,001 kg tea/yr

For application of above definitions, the volume of tea sold during the period January to December 2019, as published in the CBA [MSL] report will be considered.

The **New Cataloguing Rules** will apply to the Teas offered under the **following catalogues**:

- Main Sale - Leafy catalogue
- Main Sale – Semi leafy catalogue
- Main Sale – Tippy/Small leaf catalogue
- Main Sale - High & Medium catalogue
- Off grade catalogue
- BOP1A catalogue
- DUST catalogue

Teas offered in the **following catalogues/CTC Teas, will not be subject to the new rule**

- Ex- estate catalogue
- Premium Flowery catalogue
- CTC Teas

2. New cataloguing rules are:

- For **small** volume category factories: No change in rules
- For **medium** volume category factories:
 - Except for Grades OP1, BOP 1, Pekoe1, FBOP and FBOPF1 which will be entitled to **Only One lot of 10 sacks + Two lots of 20 sacks** or **Three lots of 20 sacks** + any number of 40 sacks, there will be no change in rules for all other grades
 - Grades **BOP, BOP SP, BOPF, BOPF SP, BOP A, FBOP 1, FBOPF** will be entitled to Only Three lots of 20 sacks + any number of 40 sacks
 - There will be no change in rules for all other grades
- For **large** volume category factories:
 - Grades OP1 & BOP 1 will be entitled to catalogue **One lot of 10 sacks + Two lots of 20 sacks** or **Three lots of 20 sacks** + any number of 40 sacks
 - All other grades will be allowed to catalogue Three lots of 20 sacks + Any number of 40 sacks.

For the purpose of the rule, BOP/BOP SP, BOPF/BOPF SP and DUST1/PD shall be considered as one grade.

The New rules will be enforced from Sale No. 46, the catalogues of which is scheduled to close on 5, November 2020. This arrangement will be reviewed within a period of six months.

For easy reference, present rules as well as new rules for all grades are depicted in the annexed document as appropriate.

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