

## Environmental Legislation Update

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### 1. NATIONAL LEGISLATION

#### 1.1 ACTS

No new items of relevance during this time period.

#### 1.2 BILLS, WHITE PAPERS

**National Regulator for Compulsory Specifications Bill and Standards Bill  
Introduction into Parliament** (GN1256, GG30351, 8 October 2007, pg 2)

#### 1.3 GENERAL / BOARD NOTICES

##### **Agricultural Product Standards Act 119 of 1990**

- (a) **Amendment** of standards and requirements regarding control of the export of lesser known types of **maize** and repeal of standards and requirements regarding control of export of **popcorn** (GN1264, GG30355, 12 October 2007, pg 67)
- (b) **Amendment** of standards and requirements regarding control of the export of **leguminous seeds** and repeal of standards and requirements regarding control of export of **soya beans** (GN1265, GG30355, 12 October 2007, pg 68)

#### 1.4 RULES, REGULATIONS, GUIDELINES & POLICIES

##### **National Road Traffic Act 93 of 1996**

**Amendment** of GN809 of 3 August 2006: Determination of the date referred to in subsection 280(1) of the National Road Traffic Regulation, 2000 (GNR864, GG30295, 28 September 2007, pg 224)

##### **Environment Conservation Act 73 of 1989**

**For comment:** Regulations for the prohibition of the use, manufacturing, import and export of asbestos and asbestos containing materials (GN878, GG30310, 21 September 2007, pg 3)



## 2. PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION

### 2.1 ACTS

#### **MPUMALANGA**

##### **Mpumalanga Cemeteries, Crematoria and Exhumation of Bodies Act 8 of 2005**

**Date of commencement:** 17 September 2007 (PN10, PG1470, 28 September 2007, pg 2)

Note: Repeals the *Removal of Graves and Dead Bodies Ordinance 7 of 1925; Cemetery Ordinance 8 of 1932; Crematorium Ordinance 18 of 1965; and Exhumations Act 15 of 1985*

### 2.2 BILLS, WHITE PAPERS

No new items of relevance during this time period.

### 2.3 GENERAL / BOARD NOTICES

#### **KWAZULU NATAL**

##### **KwaZulu Natal Nature Conservation Act 9 of 1997**

Appointment of persons to the Local Boards of Protected Areas (PN365, PG37, 4 October 2007, pg 14)

### 2.4 RULES, REGULATIONS, FEES, AMOUNTS

No new items of relevance during this time period.

## 3. LOCAL LEGISLATION

#### **KWAZULU NATAL: Umdoni Local Municipality (Ugu District)**

Advertising Signs and Hoardings Bylaws (MN26, PG41, 10 October 2007, pg 3)

#### **KWAZULU NATAL: Mthonjaneni Local Municipality (Uthungulu District)**

**For comment:** Draft Waste Management Bylaws (MN23, PG36, 27 September 2007, pg 27)

#### **WESTERN CAPE: City of Cape Town**

Bylaw relating to streets, public places and the prevention of noise nuisances (LAN6469, 28 September 2007, pg 1350)

#### **FREE STATE: Kopanong Local Municipality (Xhariep District)**

**For comment:** Various Bylaws (PN206, PG74, 14 September 2007, pg 3)

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