

GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO. 14 OF 2010

The Local Government Act
(Laws, Volume 16, Cap 281)

**The Nyimba District Council (Charcoal Levy) By-Laws,
2010**

IN EXERCISE of the powers contained in sections *sixty-nine and seventy-six* of the Local Government Act, the following By-Laws are hereby made:

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| 1. These By-Laws may be cited as the Nyimba District Council (Charcoal Levy) By-Laws, 2010.. | Title |
| 2. In these By-Laws, unless the context otherwise requires—
“area” means the area under jurisdiction of the Council;
“charcoal” means the black product of tree logs burnt slowly in an oven and used for fuel;
“checkpoint” means any place within the area designed by the Council for the payment of charcoal levy;
“collector” means an officer or agent of the Council authorised to collect revenue for the Council ; and
“Council” means the Nyimba District Council. | Interpretation |
| 3. A person who sells charcoal within the area or exports charcoal from the area shall pay to the Council a charcoal levy at the following rates:

(a) three thousand kwacha per ninety kilogram bag;

(b) two thousand five hundred kwacha per fifty kilogram bag; and

(b) one thousand kwacha per twenty-five kilogram bag. | Imposition of charcoal levy |

- No sale or export of charcoal without payment of charcoal levy
4. A person shall not sell within the area or export from the area any charcoal for which a charcoal levy has not been paid to the Council.
- Place and time of payment of charcoal levy
5. (1) A person shall pay to the collector a charcoal levy as soon as the charcoal weighed at the checkpoint.
(2) The collector shall, immediately after receiving the charcoal levy, issue an official receipt for the payment.
- Offences and penalties
6. (1) A person who contravenes these By-Laws, commits an offence and is liable upon conviction—
- (a) to a fine not exceeding eighty penalty units or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months, or to both; and
- (b) in the case of a continuing contravention, to a fine not exceeding sixteen penalty units for each day during which the contravention continues.
- (2) In addition to any penalty prescribed under sub-by-law (1), the court may order that any expenses incurred by the Council in consequence of such contravention be paid by the person committing the offence.

Made by the Nyimba District Council this 18th day of February, 2010.

L. MOYO,
Council Chairman,
Nyimba District Council

T. MAMBALAKATA,
Council Secretary,
Nyimba District Council

Confirmed by me this 18th day of February, 2010.

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18th February, 2010
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DR. E. KAZONGA,
Minister of Local Government
and Housing