

**Rubber Association of Singapore (Incorporation) Act
(CHAPTER 278)**

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RUBBER ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE (INCORPORATION) ACT

(CHAPTER 278)

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An Act to incorporate the Rubber Association of Singapore for the conducting of a rubber market in Singapore, for the promotion and regulation of the rubber trade and industry, for the establishment of a Singapore Rubber Fund and for matters incidental thereto.

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PART I

PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Rubber Association of Singapore (Incorporation) Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“Association” means the Rubber Association of Singapore as constituted by section 3;

“body corporate” means any body corporate wherever established, registered or incorporated under the provisions of any written law, Royal Charter or other instrument;

“by-laws” means any by-laws made by the Committee pursuant to the powers conferred upon it by the Association;

“Committee” means the Management Committee constituted under section 11;

“member” means a person whose name appears in the register as a member in any class or category and includes any two or more persons whose names are registered together as joint members;

“person” means an individual, any company or body corporate and includes a partnership firm;

“register” means the register of members kept pursuant to section 10;

“regulations” means regulations made by the Committee pursuant to the powers conferred upon it by the Association;

“rubber” includes marketable rubber prepared from the leaves, bark or latex of any rubber plant and the latex of any such plant whether fluid or coagulated in any stage of the treatment to which it is subjected during the process of conversion into marketable rubber but it does not include any manufactured article wholly or partly made of rubber;

“rubber plant” includes any of the following:

- (a) *Heavea brasiliensis* (Para rubber);
- (b) *Manihot glaziovii* (Ceara rubber);
- (c) *Castilloa elastica*;
- (d) *Ficus elastica* (Rambong);
- (e) any other plant which the Minister by notification in the *Gazette* declares to be a rubber plant for the purposes of this Act;

“rules” means rules made under section 19;

“secretary” means the secretary of the Association appointed pursuant to the rules.

PART II

INCORPORATION OF THE RUBBER ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE

Establishment and incorporation of Rubber Association of Singapore

3.—(1) The Rubber Association of Singapore is hereby constituted a body corporate by the name “The Rubber Association of Singapore” and by that name has perpetual succession.

(2) The Association shall have a common seal, which may from time to time be broken, changed, altered and made anew as to the Association seems fit.

(3) The Association may enter into contracts, may sue and be sued in its corporate name and may acquire, purchase, lease, take, hold and enjoy movable and immovable property of every description, and may sell, exchange, convey, assign, surrender and yield up, mortgage, demise, reassign, transfer or otherwise dispose of or deal with any movable and immovable property vested in it upon such terms as to it shall seem fit.

(4) All deeds, documents and other instruments requiring the seal of the Association shall be sealed with the seal of the Association pursuant to a resolution of the Committee to that effect in the presence of the Chairman or a Deputy Chairman or some other member of the Committee authorised by the Committee to act in that behalf and of the secretary, who shall sign every such deed, document or instrument to which the seal is affixed, and such signing shall, without further attestation, be sufficient evidence that the seal was duly and properly affixed and that it is the lawful seal of the Association.

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(5) Notwithstanding subsection (4), where the seal of the Association is required to be affixed to a certificate of origin endorsed by the Association the seal may in such case be affixed in the presence only of the secretary or in the presence of any other person authorised in this behalf by the Association without a resolution of the Committee.

Vesting of assets and property in Association

4.—(1) Upon the coming into operation of this Part —

- (a) the Rubber Association of Singapore (referred to in this section as the unincorporated association) shall cease to exist as a society under the Societies Act [Cap. 311] and shall be transferred to and maintained by the Association;
- (b) the Association shall take over all the functions of the unincorporated association;
- (c) all the assets and movable and immovable property of every description and all the powers, rights and privileges in connection therewith or appertaining thereto which immediately before the date of commencement of this Part were vested in the unincorporated association shall forthwith vest in the Association freed and discharged from any trust whatsoever, but subject nevertheless to the provisions of this Act; and
- (d) all the liabilities and obligations of the unincorporated association which may have existed immediately before that date shall be transferred to and vest in the Association.

(2) Any existing trustees of the unincorporated association at the date of the commencement of this Part shall forthwith be released and discharged from any duties or responsibilities under any trust which may have existed immediately before that date.

Restriction on use of income

5. The income of the Association shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the