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## MINING ACT

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### 1. Citation.

These Regulations may be cited as the Mining (Gemstone Identification and Value Addition) (Fees) Regulations, 2024.

### 2. Interpretation

In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"cabochon" means a gemstone that has been shaped and polished but which has not been faceted and has a smooth top and a flat base;

"cabbing" means the process of making cabochons;

"facet" means a flat polished surface on a cut gemstone;

"faceting" means the grinding and cutting rough gemstones to acquire a polished surface;

"gemstone" means a mineral, rock or organic matter, in cut and polished form, that is used to make jewellery and other adornments;

"gemstone identification" means the laboratory process conducted to determine the type and nature of a gemstone;

"sawing" means the process of reducing or splitting a gemstone to manageable size;

"tumbling" means the process of polishing a gemstone through abrasion to make smoothly polished rounded shapes using a tumbler; and

"tumbler" means a machine used for tumbling gemstones.

### 3. Application

These Regulations shall apply to gemstone identification and value addition centres in Kenya.

### 4. Fees

The fees set out in the Schedule shall apply to the identification and value addition of gemstones.

### 5. Revocation

The Mining (Gemstone Identification and Value Addition) (Fees) Regulations (L.N. 75/2023), are revoked.

## SCHEDULE [r. 4]

### FEEs FOR GEMSTONE IDENTIFICATION AND VALUE ADDITION

S/No.	Service	Description	Cost (Ksh.)		
1.	Gemstone identification	Conducting tests on a gemstone's physical and optical properties. It also involves manual observation based on expertise, knowledge and experience.	1,000		
2.	Sawing	Cutting or splitting size, per piece	100		
3.	Faceting	Category 1: Precious gemstones (All precious gemstones set out in the First Schedule to the Mining Act, 2016, and Tanzanite/zoisite, Spinel, Emerald, Zircon, Demantoid and Alexandrite.	0.1ct – 2.9ct 500 per piece	3.0ct – 4.0ct 1,000 per piece	Above 4.0ct 2,000 per piece
		Category 2: Semi-precious gemstones (All semiprecious gemstones as defined by the First Schedule to the Mining Act)	300 per piece	500 per piece	1,000 per piece
4.	Tumbling	Bulk material for bead work, cabochon material, in kilogrammes	2,500 per kilogramme		
5.	Cabbing	Cabochon material using a cabbing machine, per piece	300 per piece		
6.	Hiring of safe deposit box	Safe deposit boxes to be hired for safe storage of gemstones	1,000 per box per month		
7.	Sealing	Sealing of gemstones for security purposes. Sealing is mandatory for all gemstones.	No charge		