The Minister in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 110(1) of the Telecommunications Act, makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Telecommunications (Class Licence) Regulations, 2003.

2. In these Regulations, "class licence" means a general authorisation or licence which covers a group or class of users and which permits that group or class of users to offer certain telecommunication services to the public on the conditions set out in the licence.

3. The Minister may issue a class licence for the provision of the following services on such terms and conditions as are specified in the licence, in the Act or these Regulations:

   (a) internet services;

   (b) paging services;

   (c) services provided by sellers and dealers; and

   (d) services of service providers that are

      (i) Callback or Call Re-Origination,

      (ii) Internet-based Voice or Data,

      (iii) Store-and-Retrieve (S&R) Value-Added,
(iv) International Calling Card (ICC); and

(v) Audiotex.

4. (1) A class licence shall be published in the Official Gazette and when published, shall authorise the provision of those services where the conditions so specified in the class licence are met by the licensee at the time of registration.

(2) A person who provides any of the services referred to under regulation 3 shall be deemed to have been issued with a class licence and to have knowledge of the conditions of that licence from the date following 6 working days after the licence has been published in the Official Gazette.

5. The Minister may amend the list of services specified in paragraph (d) of regulation 3.

6. Licences for the provision of services specified in paragraph (d) of regulation 3 shall become available only at the commencement of Phase III of the Transition Timetable.

7. The fees payable for licences issued under these Regulations are those set out in the Telecommunications (Licence Fees) Regulations, 2003.

8. (1) Where the licensee fails to comply with any conditions of a licence issued under these Regulations or contravenes any provision of the Act, the Minister may revoke the licence in accordance with the Act.

(2) Where the Minister revokes a licence under regulation 8 the licensee may make an application for a review of the decision in accordance with section 104 of the Act.

Made by the Minister this 31st day of July, 2003.

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