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Pursuant to Article 12 paragraph 3 of the Law on Control of Precious Metal Articles (Official Gazette of Montenegro 40/10), the Ministry of Economy adopted

RULEBOOK

ON CONDITIONS FOR MANUFACTURING OF PRECIOUS METAL ARTICLES CONCERNING

EQUIPMENT AND WORKING PREMISES AND THE MANNER OF ESTABLISHING THE FULFILLMENT OF THESE CONDITIONS

(Official Gazette of Montenegro 40/11 of 8 August 2011)

Article 1

This Rulebook prescribes conditions for the production of precious metal articles concerning the equipment and work premises, for determining the mark of the manufacturer of precious metal articles (hereinafter referred to as the “Manufacturer’s mark”), as well as the manner of determining the fulfillment of these conditions.

Article 2

Equipment used for manufacturing of precious metal items includes:

- 1) furnace for melting and preparation of metals and alloys;
- 2) rolling and drawing machine;
- 3) drilling and cutting press ("die-cutting machine");
- 4) polishing machine;
- 5) weighing balance of accuracy class II, which is used exclusively in the production process;
- 6) handheld jewelry processing machine;
- 7) tools and small accessories (pliers, tweezers, files, scissors, etc.).
- 8) testing needles for the degree of fineness of the precious metal from which the articles are manufactured, which are stamped by the national hallmark;
- 9) testing stone;
- 10) small materials (bottles for test acids, cleaning agents for testing stone, almond or linseed oil for coating test stones and others).

The manufacturing of precious metal articles by casting can be done by the manufacturer of precious metal articles (hereinafter referred to as the “Manufacturer”) who, in addition to the equipment referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, also possess a centrifugal casting machine which contains:

- 1) wax syringe;
- 2) gypsum baking oven;
- 3) centrifuge.

Article 3

The marking of precious metal articles by the manufacturer's mark and the mark of fineness can be done by the manufacturer who:

- 1) possesses marks for marking all degrees of fineness of precious metals articles that this manufacturer produces;
- 2) possesses the equipment for marking the articles with the degree of fineness and its manufacturer's mark;
- 3) ensures safe keeping of marks used for marking all degrees of fineness of precious metal articles which the manufacturer produces as well as safe keeping of their manufacturer's mark;
- 1) products and their brand of the manufacturer (safety box, etc.).

Article 4

The working premises for the accommodation of equipment for the manufacturing of precious metal articles fulfill the requirements if they are:

- 1) clean, dry and constructed in accordance with the existing technical norms and sufficiently spacious to accommodate the equipment;
- 2) meet the prescribed requirements with regard to hygiene and technical protection.

Article 5

The fulfillment of the conditions prescribed by this Rulebook shall be established on the basis of that documentation containing:

- 1) description of the manufacturing process (description and origin of raw materials, manner and description of the manufacturing process, articles' degrees of fineness, types of article and equipment used);
- 2) description of the input/output control of the manufacturing process and the method of conducting the testing of the degree of fineness;
- 3) description of the manner in which the marking of the produced precious metal articles will be done, by its own manufacturer's mark and mark of fineness of precious metal articles;
- 4) description of preventive and corrective actions, in case of defects identified during the manufacturing or marking of precious metal articles;

- 5) records on manufactured precious metal articles with data on the type and fineness of the precious metal, number of pieces of manufactured objects and the total mass by the degree of fineness of each precious metal;
- 6) evidence that the workspace meets the requirements laid down in this Rulebook;
- 7) evidence that the equipment is owned by the manufacturer or rented;
- 8) proof of registration for the production or manufacture of precious metal articles, issued by the competent authority;
- 9) manufacturer's written statement containing a decision on the alphabet (Latin or Cyrillic) to be used in his manufacturer's mark;
- 10) date, name, surname and signature of the person who prepared the technical documentation.

The records referred to in paragraph 1, item 5 of this Article shall be submitted to the Bureau of Metrology (hereinafter referred to as the "Bureau") every six months.

Article 6

Assessment of the fulfillment of conditions laid down in this Rulebook shall be done by the commission for determining the fulfillment of conditions for assigning manufacturer's marks, established by the Bureau (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission").

The Commission may set a deadline for the submitter of a request for obtaining the manufacturer's mark for the removal of the identified defects.

Records shall be kept on the conducted procedure for determining the fulfillment of the conditions for assigning the manufacturer's mark.

Article 7

Rulebook on conditions for obtaining the mark of manufacturer of precious metal articles (Official Gazette of FRY 8/95) shall be repealed with effect from the date of entry into force of this Rulebook.

Article 8

This Rulebook shall enter into force on the eighth day from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette of Montenegro.

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