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Chandigarh, March 31:- The following is the notification by Chandigarh Administration.

**CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION
EXCISE AND TAXATION DEPARTMENT
Notification**

The 28th March,

2008

No. 822-FII (8)-2008/ 2402 In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 59 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 (Punjab Act 1 of 1914) and all other powers enabling me in this behalf, I, Sanjay Kumar, Finance Secretary, Chandigarh Administration, having the powers of the Financial Commissioner, Union Territory, Chandigarh, hereby make the following rules, further to amend the Punjab Liquor Licence Rules, 1956, as in force in the Union Territory, Chandigarh, namely: -

- 1. These rules may be called the Punjab Liquor Licence (Chandigarh IInd Amendment) Rules, 2008.**
- 2. They shall come into force with effect from the 1st day of April, 2008.**
- 3. In the Punjab Liquor Licence Rules, 1956 (hereinafter called the said rules), in rule I, in the table for L-1DF and L-1F the following shall be substituted, namely: -**

Form	Nature	Mode of Grant	Authority Empowered to grant	Authority Empowered to Renew
L-	Wholesale	Fixed	Collector with	Collector

1DF	Licence of Imported Wine to be granted to only those firms/persons holding a Custom approved Bonded Ware House license (or having space allocated in the Custom approved Bonded Ware House or any other BWH Licence) any where in India.	Fee	the prior consent of Finance Secretary, UT, Chandigarh.	
L-1F	Wholesale Licence of Imported Spirit and Beer to be granted to only those firms/persons holding a Custom approved Bonded Ware House license (or having space allocated in the Custom approved Bonded Ware House or any other BWH Licence) any where in India.	Fixed Fee	Collector with the consent of Excise and Taxation Commissioner.	Collector

4. In the said rules, in rule 25, for the Clause (i) and (ii), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely: -

“(i) The L-10B Licensees will sell only Beer, Wine and Scotch imported from outside India. However if any of the L-10B Licensee desires to seek a L-2 Licence in place of L-10B Licence, he would be granted the same, if otherwise eligible. The condition for grant of L-10B would be to have a turnover of Rs.10 lac and Licence fee of L-10B Licence is fixed at Rs.1,00,000/- per annum. These Licensees are eligible to hold L-2 Licence along-with this Licence. ”

“(ii) Wholesale Licence of Indian Made Foreign Liquor (L-1B) will be granted at annual Licence fee of Rs. 3 lacs + Rs. 1 lac per brand for those brands having sale volume of 2,000 cases or above and Rs. 20,000/- for sale volume below 2,000 cases in UT, Chandigarh during the Year 2007-08.”

5. In the said Rules, in rule 30, in clause (i), the following words shall be added further, namely: -

“The L-3, L-4, L-5 licensees of 5 Star Hotels and above category may be allowed to procure their requirements of Imported Liquor (BOI brands) also from authorized sources outside UT Chandigarh on payment of additional Licence fee/permit fee/import fee as payable by the L-1DF/L-1F licensees.”

6. In the said Rules, in rule 37, in condition No. 28 (e) (iv) (a), the following items shall be inserted after item no.12 namely: -

“13. 60mili litre IMFL/IFL”

“14. 150mili litre Country liquor of 50 degree and IMFL 60 degree ”

The remaining conditions as amended from time to time will however remain the same.

7. In the said rules, in rule 37, in condition No. 28, for clause (vi) the following clause shall be substituted, namely: -

“(vi) The minimum retail sale price of Indian Made Foreign Liquor and Beer is fixed as under: -

Indian Made Foreign Liquor

	Quart (in Rs.)	Pint (in Rs.)	Nip (in Rs.)
Cheap Brand	90	45	25
Economy Brand	100	50	30
Medium Brand	120	65	35
Premium Brand	140	75	40
Semi-Deluxe Brand	160	85	45
Deluxe Brand	260	135	70

BEER

Beer Containing alcoholic contents upto 5.25%	Rs. 30/- per bottle of 650 mili litre
Beer Containing alcoholic contents	Rs. 40/- per bottle of

upto 8.25%

650 mili litre

The categorization of the brands of IMFL is fixed as under:

- 1. All IMFL 75 degree liquor brands which cost less than or equal to Rs. 500/- per case of quarts and are bottled in the bottling plants of U.T. Chandigarh (self owned brands only), inclusive of all the levies except Licence fee/assessed fee to L-2 Licences will fall under the category of Cheap Brand.**
- 2. All IMFL 75 degree liquor brands which cost less than or equal to Rs. 500/- per case of quarts and are not bottled in bottling plants of U.T. Chandigarh, inclusive of all the levies except Licence fee/assessed fee to L-2 Licences will fall under the category of Economy Brand.**
- 3. All IMFL 75 degree liquor brands which cost more than Rs.500/- and less than or equal to Rs.900/- per case of quarts inclusive of all the levies except Licence fee/assessed fee to L-2 Licences will fall under the category of Medium Brands.**
- 4. All IMFL 75 degree liquor brands which cost more than Rs. 900/- and less than or equal to Rs.1100/- per case of quarts inclusive of all the levies except License fee/assessed fee to L-2 Licences will fall under the category of Premium Brands.**
- 5. All IMFL 75 degree liquor brands which cost more than Rs. 1100/- and less than or equal to Rs.1800/- per case of quarts inclusive of all the levies except**

Licence fee/assessed fee to L-2 Licenses will fall under the category of Semi- Deluxe Brands.

6. All IMFL 75 degree liquor brands which cost more than Rs. 1800/- per case of quarts inclusive of all the levies except Licence fee/assessed fee to L-2 Licenses will fall under the category of Deluxe Brands.

However, Chandigarh Administration reserves the right to intervene, regulate and control the retail sale price in certain situations of economic distortion, overpricing etc.”

8. In the said rules, in the rule 38 in condition no. 16, for clause (f) the following clause shall be substituted, namely: -

“(f) The minimum retail sale price of country liquor 50 degree and Indian Made Foreign Liquor 60 degree is fixed as under: -

	Country Liquor (50 degree)	IMFL (60 degree)
Quart (750 mili litre)	Rs. 50	Rs. 55
Pint (375 mili litre)	Rs. 25	Rs. 28
Nip (180 mili litre)	Rs. 13	Rs. 15
Nip (150 mili litre)	Rs.10	Rs.12

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