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## Instructions

### for the import of edible fats and oils

(effective from 1 March 2018)

#### 1 Principle

According to the Ordinance on compulsory stockpiling of food and feed of 10 May 2017 (SR 531.215.11), the import of these goods is only permissible with a General Import Permit granted by réserve

suisse. General Import Permits are only granted to companies, which have a compulsory stock of edible oils in Switzerland or which are dispensed from compulsory stockpiling (cf. point 4).

Quantities up to 20 kg can be imported without a GIP.

#### 2 General Import Permit

Applications for the granting of a General Import Permit have to be submitted timely in the original to réserve

suisse using the application form provided (applications by e-mail or fax are invalid). The required application forms are provided by réservesuisse and can be downloaded online ([www.reservesuisse.ch](http://www.reservesuisse.ch)).

The General Import Permit is granted if and when the applicant meets all requirements for the import of fats/oils according to the Ordinance on compulsory stockpiling of food and feed (SR 531.215.11) and the restrictions imposed by the permission.

The GIP is valid for 3 years. Validity is automatically extended to cover the 3 years following the last date of import. The GIP expires if no imports are made within a period of 3 years. The GIP can be reapplied for at [www.reservesuisse.ch](http://www.reservesuisse.ch) at any time. Reapplication is free of charge.

#### 3 Guarantee fund contribution

To cover storage costs and price risks on compulsory stocks, the following guarantee fund contribution is levied:

CHF 18.00 per 100 kg gross weight, basis raffinate (effective from 1 January 2017)

The decisive quotations for individual customs tariff numbers are listed in the annex.

The importer is charged with the guarantee fund contributions on the basis of the feedback received from the customs administration after the import. The permit holder explicitly commits to pay the contributions within 10 days. Otherwise the General Import Permit can be withdrawn. Réservesuisse may request a reasonable deposit prior to granting a General Import Permit.

#### **4 Compulsory stocks**

The GIP-holder is obliged to conclude a compulsory stocks agreement with the Federal Office for National Economic Supply (FONES) if the annual average of imported edible fats/oils exceeds 1'000 tons.

For members of réservesuisse the provisions of the compulsory stocks agreement apply.

#### **5 Delivery of the permission / liability**

The General Import Permit is normally only delivered to the applicant, who is solely responsible for its proper use.