



## Mines &amp; Minerals Act 2009

## APPLICATION FOR A SMALL-SCALE MINING LICENCE BASED ON A PRIORITY RIGHT

## Part 1: Pre-registration (intention to submit complete application under priority right)

1. Name and position of person making application			
2. Expiring small-scale mining lease No.			
3. Name of MCO officer pre-registering & validating		Signature	
4. Check: Is pre-registration with 30 calendar days of date of commencement of Regulations? (Y/N) <b>(If No then Form cannot be validated)</b>			
5. Cadastre registration number (confirming validity)		6. Date of pre-registration at MCO	

## Part 2: Complete application (NB: invalid unless pre-registered in Pt 1 above)

7. Date small-scale mining lease first granted and years lease held (date/years)			
8. Current date of expiry of lease		9. Registered name of lease holder	
10. Size of expiring lease area (Acres/Hectares)			
11. State whether lease holder (applicant) is a body corporate or co-operative (having at least a 25 percent ownership by Sierra Leone citizens) and give name and date of incorporation or registration in Sierra Leone			
11.1 Type of organisation		11.2 Name	
11.3 Date of incorporation or registration			
12. Registered address of body-corporate or co-operative in Sierra Leone			
Name	Address	Phone	Email
13. Name and contact details of registered agent (if any) for serving notices (if none, state `none')			
Name	Address	Phone	Email
14. Other mineral rights held in Sierra Leone (number, date issued, area size) by the applicant or by any person controlling, controlled by or under joint or common control with the applicant. (if none, state `none')			
15. Name and qualifications of existing and (if different) proposed mine manager (attach with copies of qualifications)			

Please attach the following documents: Check the box to the left once documents are complete

- ☐ 16. Plan of proposed small-scale mining licence area showing also the boundaries of original licence area
- ☐ 17. List of contiguous, numbered sub-blocks describing the area applied for and total area size (maximum 100 ha or 1 km<sup>2</sup>) \*Form B26 to be attached
- ☐ 18. Evidence of technical & financial resources available to applicant
- ☐ 19. Technical report summarizing the exploration and mining carried out to date over the expiring lease, including evidence that reserves remain that can be economically extracted. \*Refer to Guidelines E2
- ☐ 20. Evidence that consent has been obtained from the Chiefdom Mining Allocation Committee
- ☐ 21. Report summarizing the rehabilitation and reclamation work carried out to date on the expiring lease?
- ☐ 22. Licence No. of current environmental impact assessment licence

- ☐ 23. Proposed programme of mining operations must be provided which addresses each of the following \*refer to Guidelines E2
- ☐ (a) a technical report on the mining and treatment methods to be employed
  - ☐ (b) a limited environmental impact assessment
  - ☐ (c) an environmental management programme
  - ☐ (d) proposed marketing arrangements for the sale of minerals mined
  - ☐ (e) goods and services to be obtained from within Sierra Leone
  - ☐ (f) proposals with respect to employment of Sierra Leone citizens
  - ☐ (g) details of insurance including life and health cover for employees
  - ☐ (h) proposals for any anticipated infrastructure requirements
  - ☐ (i) a financial plan for the proposed mine detailing capital investment, operating costs and revenues and anticipated source of financing.

24. Period applied for (maximum 3 years)

25. Current or proposed name of mine

26. Mineral or minerals to be mined

27. Are the area and the mineral(s) designated for small-scale mining? (Y/N)

28. Does application include any sub-blocks falling wholly outside of expiring lease? (Y/N).  
If Yes, list sub-block numbers. (NB: These may be included but carry no priority right)

29. A Community Development Agreement is required if the answer is Yes to any of the following estimated criteria:

29a. If an alluvial deposit, is throughput more than 1 million m<sup>3</sup> per year? (Y/N)

29b. If open cast, non-alluvial deposits is annual combined ore, rock, waste & overburden more than 250,000 tonnes/year? (Y/N)

29c. Will mining operation on average employ more than 100 workers? (Y/N)

30. If Community Development Agreement required, is this attached? (Y/N)  
If No, what is the status of discussions with local community?

31. Any other mineral rights held in Sierra Leone (number, date issued, area size) by the applicant or by any person controlling, controlled by or under joint or common control with the applicant. (If none, state 'none').  
\*May be attached

32. Are any other applications being submitted on a priority basis for small-scale mining licences relating to the same expiring mining lease? (Y/N). If Yes, give details.

33. If the area applied for (including other applications) is in total less than that of the expiring small-scale mining lease, is a surrender report attached covering all exploration and mining carried out in areas being given up? (Y/N) (If Yes, attach: refer to Guidelines E2)

34. Any other relevant information (may be attached)

35. NRA receipt No.

36. Signature

37. Date

### For Official Use by Mining Cadastre Office

Name of receiving officer		Signature	
Evidence of Payment. Y/N		Amount of Payment	
Application checked by		Signature	
Application acknowledgement issued? (Y/N)(Form D23)			
Date	Exact Time	Official registration number	
Cadastre check that pre-registration was within 30 day limit? (Y/N) <b>(If No, application cannot proceed under priority right)</b>			
Name of registering officer		Signature	
Date GIS check carried out		Time GIS check carried out	
Check made that area and the mineral(s) applied for still designated for small-scale mining? (Y/N)			
If application invalid for any reason, date applicant informed			
Name of checking officer		Signature	

Please complete all boxes (or enter `none, N/A etc) and provide all attachments as necessary. Attachments should be numbered to correspond to this form. This application will be deemed incomplete and consequently invalid if any required information is not provided.

**Sixteen copies of this application and of all attachments must be supplied.**

The complete application should be submitted to the Mining Cadastre Office and a receipt obtained.

Before submitting, the applicant must pay the application fee prescribed in Form A1 of the First Schedule to the National Revenue Authority, and the receipt (or a copy) must accompany this application. This fee is non-refundable should the application be invalid for any reason or if, after consideration by the Minerals Advisory Board and the Minister, it is refused.

A print out of the relevant part of the cadastral survey map showing the numbered block system can be obtained from the GIS section of the Mining Cadastre Office. The map will indicate areas: (i) designated as small-scale or artisanal mining areas; (ii) designated as exploration or mining areas (closed to mineral rights applications except by public tender); (iii) currently under licence; and (iv) subject to as-yet-undecided mineral rights applications. It is the applicant's responsibility to check that the ground applied for is still open on the day the application is submitted