

S.I. 2 of 2021

**BROADCASTING AND TELECOMMUNICATION
ACT, 2000**

(Cap 19)

**Broadcasting and Telecommunications (Records of
Customers of Prepaid Mobile Services by Operators of
Public Land Mobile Network) (Amendment)
Regulations, 2021**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 38 of the Broadcasting and Telecommunication Act, 2000, the Vice President, being the Minister responsible for Broadcasting and Telecommunication, hereby makes the following regulation —

1. These regulations may be cited as the Broadcasting and Telecommunications (Records of Customers of Prepaid Mobile Services by Operators of Public Land Mobile Network) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021.

Citation

2. The Broadcasting and Telecommunications (Records of Customers of Prepaid Mobile Services by Operators of Public Land Mobile Network) Regulations, 2009 are hereby amended as follows —

Amendment of
S.I. 41 of 2009

(a) by inserting after regulation 2, the following regulation —

Restriction
on sale of
starter pack
or subscriber
information
module card

“2A.(1) The Service Provider shall not sell starter pack or subscriber information module card from any place, other than at the customer services centre or outlet operated directly by the Service Provider.

(2) A Service Provider shall not sell a starter pack or subscriber

information module card to an individual who is below 18 years of age.”;

- (b) in regulation 4, by inserting after subregulation (8), the following subregulation —

“(9) A Service Provider shall submit to the Minister, on or before 5th day of every month, all customer records for which mobile services have been activated during the preceding month or such other period as may be stipulated by the Minister, in electronic format for verification.”;

- (c) by inserting after section 4, the following section —

Activation of
service on
certification

“**4A.(1)** On purchase of a starter pack or subscriber information module card by a customer, the Service Provider shall not activate mobile services on the starter pack or subscriber information module card on its network, until —

- (a) the Service Provider has duly registered in its system the details of the customer from the document provided under regulation 4(2); and
- (b) the Service Provider after registering the details of customer under paragraph (a) has duly verified the customer's details and his or her identity.

(2) The Service Provider shall duly register and verify in its system, on or before 27 January, 2021, the details of each customer of the starter pack or subscriber information module card on which mobile services are active on the commencement of the Broadcasting and Telecommunications (Records of Customers of Prepaid Mobile Services by Operators of Public Land Mobile Network) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021.

(3) The Service Provider shall deactivate the mobile services on each starter pack or subscriber information module card, the details of customer in respect of which is not registered and verified under subsection (2) on or before the date specified therein.”;

(d) by inserting after regulation 11, the following regulation —

Offences and penalties

“12. (1) A Service Provider who fails to comply with section 2A or section 4A commits an offence and shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine of SCR2,000 in respect of each starter pack or subscriber information module card.

(2) A Service Provider who fails to submit the customer records for which mobile services have been activated under regulation 4(9), commits an offence and shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine of SCR2,000 for each day after which the Service Provider failed to submit the customer records.”.

MADE this 22nd day of January, 2021.

**AHMED AFIF
VICE-PRESIDENT**
