

## **NOTIFICATION**

Date: 23 Feb. 2012

Sub.: Enforcement of Plastic Waste

(Management and Handling) Rules, 2011.

Ref.: Notification of Minister of Environment Forest Deptt.,

Govt. Of India Dtd.04.02.2011.

As per Rule 10, of the Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment and Forest's Plastic Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2011, no carry bags shall be made available free of cost by Retailers to the Consumers. The concerned Municipal Authority is empowered to determine the minimum price for carry bags depending upon their quality and size which covers their material and waste management cost in order to encourage their re-use so as to minimize plastic waste generation.

Accordingly, following directions are issued to Retailers and Consumers.

- 1) Minimum thickness of carry bags shall not be less that 50 microns.
- 2) Retailers shall not give plastic carry bags free of cost to the Consumers.
- 3) Consumers has liberty and is advised to bring his own carry bag. Retailer shall charge only if the consumer does not bring a carry bag to carry the goods and request for such bag/bags.
- 4) Retailer shall display the notice that the consumer is at liberty to bring his own carry bag and that if he has not brought it and asks retailer to supply it he will have to pay for it. The Retailer will display the size of carry bags and their respective price at prominent place.

Further in exercise of powers conferred vide above said rule on the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, the sizes of the Plastic carry bags above 50 microns and their minimum prices are notified as under.

Sr. No.	Size of the Plastic Bags	Minimum Price of Bag
1	About 8 inches x 12 inches	Rs.2/-
2	About 16 inches x 20 inches	Rs.4/-
3	About 20 inches x 25 inches	Rs.5/-
4	More than 20 inches x 25 inches	Rs.6/-

This notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

Sd/-Dy. M.C. (Spl.) M.C.G.M. Sd/-Addl. M.C.(City) M.C.G.M. Sd/-Municipal Commissioner M.C.G.M.