



BARBADOS

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Safety and Health at Work Act

CAP. 356

**SAFETY AND HEALTH AT WORK (DRINKING WATER)
REGULATIONS, 2022**

The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 107(d) (i) of the *Safety and Health at Work Act*, makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Safety and Health at Work (Drinking Water) Regulations, 2022*.
2. Every employer shall provide and maintain an adequate supply of drinking water for every employee in the workplace at no cost to the employee.
3. Where the supply of drinking water is not from a public main, an employer shall provide for every employee, at no cost, a supply of drinking water from a vessel which shall
 - (a) maintain the water at a cool temperature;
 - (b) be fitted with a closed lid;
 - (c) be positioned on a raised platform; and
 - (d) be fitted with a tap, spout or similar device.
4. Every vessel containing a supply of drinking water for the workplace shall be collected under the supervision of a person authorised by the employer.
5. An employer shall provide a sufficient number of single use cups from which employees can drink easily at no cost to the employee.

6. An employer shall provide drainage for water that may be spilt from the vessel which supplies drinking water.

7.(1) The Chief Labour Officer may, by certificate in writing, exempt a workplace or category of workplace from any provision of these Regulations where by reason of the nature of the work undertaken at the workplace, plant or equipment, the provision cannot be implemented or is not necessary for the protection of the employees who work there.

(2) The Chief Labour Officer shall establish and maintain a register of exemptions and shall enter into the register such particulars relating to a workplace or category of workplace where a certificate of exemption has been

(a) granted; or

(b) revoked.

Made by the Minister this 5th day of July, 2022.

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Minister responsible for Labour