

Declaration of Assets Unit (DOA)

A Fresh Mandate, A Clear
Responsibility for 120 newly Elected
Municipal Councillors

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Which Act governs the DOA Unit?

- The DOA Act 2018 was enacted on 12 December 2018 to provide for a new legal framework governing the declaration of assets in the public sector in Mauritius which came into force on 01 June 2019.
- Presently, the DOA Unit falls under the Asset Recovery and Management Division (ARMD) and is manned by four officers under the supervision of its Ag Head of Unit and the Ag Director of the ARMD.

What is the mandate of the DOA Unit?

Monitor the assets and liabilities of declarants for the purpose of detecting and investigating corruption and money laundering offences or illicit enrichment pursuant to section 9 of the Act



Application of the DOA Act

Your Category	Who should declare?	When to declare?	How to declare	Fresh declaration
Every Councillor of a Municipal City Council, Municipal Town Council or District Council Section 3(1)(c) of the DOA Act	Every member	Not later than 30 days after; their first sitting; Being elected following a by-election; His seat becomes vacant Section 4(1)(a),(b),(c) of the DOA Act	By way of affidavit, in First Schedule Declaration of Assets Form Such affidavit shall be sworn before the Supreme Court Section 5(1)(a) of the DOA Act	By way of letter within a period of 30 days following the acquisition and disposal of assets as per Section 6(1)(a) of the DOA Act Section 6(1)(a) of the DOA Act
Assets listed under Section 6(1)(a) of the DOA Act: (i) an item of jewellery, precious stone or metal, or watch or gold coin exceeding 500,000 rupees in value; (ii) a work of art, the value of which exceeds 500,000 rupees; (iii) any freehold or leasehold immovable property registered in Mauritius or abroad; (iv) dedications waqf property under the Waqf Act; and (v) a motor vehicle, (vi) a boat, (vii) a ship or (viii) an aircraft				

Composition of your First Schedule Form -

What to Declare?

SN	Assets	Information to be provided in the form
1)	Money in bank accounts in local banks / foreign banks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name of bank• Account number• Balance• To state whether the account is held by himself, his spouse, jointly with another person or his minor children <p>**Please note that you have to specify the currency for any monetary value</p>
2)	Money deposited in non-bank deposit taking institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name of institution• Reference number assigned to declarants, spouse and minor children• Balance at institution
3)	Cash in hand exceeding one million rupees in any currency accepted as legal tender in any country	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The amount of cash

What to Declare? (continued)

SN	Assets	Information to be provided in the form
4)	Securities including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investment in stocks• Security bonds• Treasury bills• Securities held abroad	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number and description• Organisation in which same is held• Cost of acquisition, or market value• In whose name held
5)	Shares or interests including any joint ownership, in a company, société or partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of shares• Description of shares e.g., ordinary, preferential etc.• Organisation in which shares held• Face value or cost of acquisition per share• In whose name held
6)	Trust Property	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name of trusts• Details of Settlor• Details of Beneficiary• Amount invested

What to Declare? (continued)

SN	Assets	Information to be provided in the form
7)	Jewellery exceeding 500,000 rupees in value, Precious stone exceeding 500,000 rupees in value / metal, Watch exceeding 500,000 rupees in value	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Item description• Value• Name of owner
8)	Freehold immovable property / Leasehold immovable property	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transcription Volume number (TV number) OR Parcel Identification Number (PIN number)• Location of where the freehold/leasehold is situated• Registered owner (if owned by declarant or in joint ownership with the name of the other person)
9)	Motor Vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make of vehicle• Model of vehicle• Registration number of vehicle• Registered owners of motor vehicle

What to Declare? (continued)

SN	Assets	Information to be provided in the form
10)	Boats(s) / Ship(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Type of Boat/ships• Pleasure craft number/artisanal fishery number• Country of registration and registration number (for ships)• Registered owner details
11)	Aircrafts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make and model• ACF number• Registered owner
12)	Liabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Particulars of liabilities of declarant, spouse and any other joint liabilities <p>*Please read the general notes at the back of the declaration form of all what comes under the definition of “liabilities” since it also includes credit cards whether or not it is being used as far as it is activated, same has to be declared.</p>

What to Declare? (continued)

SN	Assets	Information to be provided in the form
13)	Any person who holds any assets for me and on my behalf in my capacity as ultimate beneficiary –	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name• Age• NIC No• Residential address• Details of assets
14)	Property sold, transferred or donated to children of age and grandchildren	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Description of property transferred• Date of transfer• Beneficiary

New Assets - What to Declare? (continued)

SN	New Assets	How to provide this information?
15)	1) Gold coins exceeding 500,000 rupees in value; 2) Work of art exceeding 500,000 rupees in value; 3) Virtual assets; and 4) Waqf property dedicated under the Waqf Act 1941	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By way of a duly sworn annex; or• Written on the face of the form itself
Note: Failure to comply with declaring these 4 additional assets shall result in the submission of an incomplete declaration form. Request for amendment to the DOA Form to cater for these 4 new additional assets were made in 2024 after the proclamation of the FCC Act on 29 March 2024 and same is still pending.		

Where to obtain the declaration forms?

The prescribed Declaration of Assets forms, under the First Schedule to the DOA Act can be obtained as follows:

- a) Downloaded from the FCC website. The web link is www.fcc.mu and you should click on the Declaration of Assets/ DOA icon;
- a) Request for the declaration form as per your category by email on doa@fcc.mu
- c) Collect in person at the FCC, Reduit Triangle, Moka.



How to make a fresh Declaration?

- **By way of a duly signed letter within 30 days of acquisition or disposal**
- **To include necessary details along with date of acquisition or disposal**

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Methods to submit the declarations to the Commission

- a) By registered post. (You have to include “DOA Unit” at the top corner of the envelope);
- b) In person at the Financial Crimes Commission (FCC);
- c) By dispatch;
- d) Through a third party, who must provide all his personal details;
- a) A scanned copy of your SIGNED and DATED declaration form or fresh declaration letter can be submitted by email to the DOA Unit, PROVIDED that the original declaration form/fresh declaration letter is subsequently submitted to the Commission (**Please note that the original declaration/letter must be the same. If any change is done in the original declaration/letter, the declarant must precise same**).

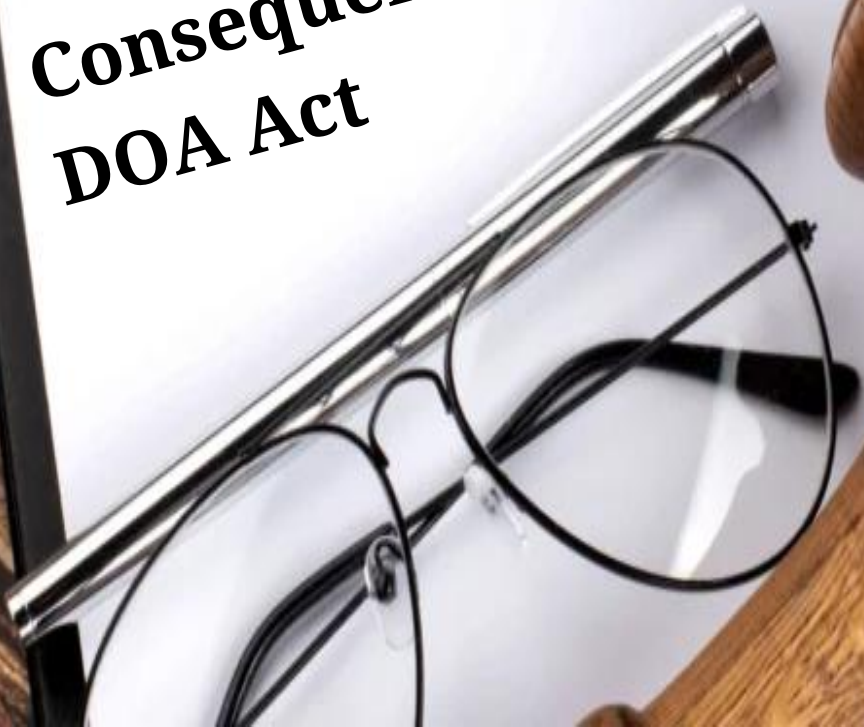


Disclosure of Declaration to the public to demonstrate transparency



Non Compliance

**Consequences under the
DOA Act**



Monitoring under Section 9 (1) of the DOA Act



The DOA Unit in figures as at 22 May 2025

- Processed 9,100 declarations from 5,195 declarants
- Initiated monitoring exercise for 224 high risk declarants
- Prepared and published 962 disclosures on the FCC Website
- Issued 952 penalty letters
- Collected Rs 6,268,000/- in penalty
- Number of cases referred to ID for Preliminary investigation : 8 cases
(Number of referrals made under FCC Act: 1)
(Number of referrals made under DOA Act:7)

*all the above figures are for the period 2019 to 2025

Status as at 22 May 2025	Number of declarants
No of declarants (Statutory Body)	1,974
No of declarants (Councillors)	510
No of declarants (MNA)	146
No of declarants (RRA) (Last mandate)	18
No of declarants (RRA) (New mandate)	18
Senior public officers	925
Senior officers of Local Authorities	28
Mauritius Prison Service (Mauritius) + (Rodrigues)	1,576
Total	5,195

Thank You



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