

**THE CONSUMER PROTECTION  
(PRICE AND SUPPLIES CONTROL) ACT**

**Regulations made by the Minister under section 35 of the Consumer Protection  
(Price and Supplies Control Act)**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Consumer Protection (Control of Imports) (Amendment No. 8) Regulations 2004.
2. In these regulations -  
  
“principal regulations” means the Consumer Protection (Control of Imports) Regulations 1999.
3. Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is amended -
  - (i) by deleting the definition of “date of shipment” and replacing it by the following definition –  
  
“date of shipment” means the date of –
    - (a) a Bill of Lading;
    - (b) an Airway Bill or the flight appearing therein whichever is the later;
    - (c) a Postal Receipt;
    - (d) a Notice of Arrival of goods issued by an organisation providing a courier service.
  - (2) by adding the following definition in the appropriate alphabetical order –  
  
“effective date” means the date on which –
    - (a) all information, particulars and documents required in respect of an application for an import permit under regulation 5 or an approval to remove any controlled goods from the Customs under regulation 10 are submitted by the applicant; and
    - (b) the Permanent Secretary obtains from any person consulted under regulation 5(4) such information or clearance as he may require;
4. Regulation 6 is amended in paragraph (1) by deleting subparagraph (a), and replacing it by the following subparagraph -
  - (a) be issued within 3 working days after the effective date and be valid for a maximum period of 12 months;

5. Regulation 7 is amended -
- (a) In subparagraph (c), by deleting the full stop and replacing it by a semi colon;
  - (b) by adding after subparagraph (c), the following new subparagraph -
    - (d) Goods donated to the Government of Mauritius by a foreign Government.
6. Regulation 9 is revoked and replaced by the following regulation -
9. (1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Permanent Secretary may, on good cause shown by the importer in respect of controlled goods already imported, grant an import permit subject to the payment by the importer to the Accountant-General of a fee of -
- (a) 25,000 rupees in the case of a second-hand motor vehicle;
  - (b) 5,000 rupees in the case of any other controlled goods.
- (2) (a) The fee of 25,000 rupees payable under paragraph 1(a) shall not apply to the categories of importers specified in Part I of the Eighth Schedule.
- (b) The fee of 5,000 rupees payable under paragraph 1(b) shall not apply to the categories of importers specified in Part II of the Eighth Schedule.
7. Regulation 10 is amended -
- (a) in paragraph (2) by inserting after the words "Postal Receipt" the words "or the Notice of Arrival of goods issued by an organisation providing a courier service".
  - (b) by deleting paragraph (3) and replacing it by the following paragraph -
    - (3) (a) Subject to subparagraphs (b) and (c), the Permanent Secretary shall grant an approval within 3 working days after the effective date subject to such conditions as he thinks fit and, in relation to goods specified in the second column of the Fifth Schedule, subject to the additional conditions specified in the third column of that Schedule.
    - (b) Subject to the Fifth Schedule, where an importer fails to furnish the pre-shipment inspection certificate required at item 4(a)(vii), item 4(b)(iii), item 4(c)(vii) and 4(d)(ix) of the Fifth Schedule, the Permanent Secretary shall grant an approval to the importer subject to -
      - (i) the payment of a fee of 15,000 rupees to the Accountant-General;

- (ii) the vehicle being inspected by the local branch of Bureau Veritas or Société Générale de Surveillance or any local inspection body acceptable by the Permanent Secretary; and
  - (iii) the submission of a certificate of inspection carried out under sub paragraph (ii) which shall be in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule.
- (c) The payment of the fee of 15,000 rupees under sub paragraph (b)(i) shall not apply to an importer specified at paragraph 7 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule.
- (d) Subject to sub paragraph (e), where the date of issue of the import permit is after the date of shipment of a second-hand motor vehicle or of any other controlled goods, the Permanent Secretary may grant an approval subject to payment by the importer to the Accountant-General of a fee of –
- (i) 25,000 rupees in the case of a second-hand motor vehicle;
  - (ii) 5,000 rupees in the case of any controlled goods other than second-hand motor vehicles.
- (e) The fees of 25,000 rupees and 5,000 rupees payable under subparagraph (d) shall not apply to importers specified in Parts I and II of the Eighth Schedule respectively.

8. Regulation 11 is amended in paragraph 2, in subparagraph (a), by deleting the words “Bill of Lading or an Airway Bill”, and replacing them by the words “Bill of Lading, an Airway Bill, Postal Receipt or a Notice of Arrival of goods” issued by an organisation providing a courier service.

9. The Fourth Schedule to the principal regulations is amended by deleting item 12, replacing it by the following item-

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| 12. Second-hand bus | - | (a) Quantitative – an individual or a firm employing not less than 8 persons (other than an authorised dealer or a public transport operator) is entitled to import one second-hand bus every 5 years for each appropriate licence issued by the National Transport Authority under the Road Traffic Act. |
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- (b) Any second-hand bus imported by an authorised dealer shall be sold only to a person holding the appropriate licence issued by the National Transport Authority under the Road Traffic Act.
- (c) The importation of several second-hand buses by a public transport operator shall be limited to the number of vehicles authorised by the National Transport Authority for public transport under the Road Traffic Act.

10. The Fifth Schedule to the principal regulations is amended –

- (a) in item 4(a) –
  - (i) in the second and third columns, by deleting the words “Motor cars/vans(dual purpose vehicles)/minibuses” and replacing them by the words “Motor cars, dual purpose vehicles (including 2x4 and 4x4 double-cab truck but excluding van and double cab heavy duty lorry);
  - (ii) in the third column, by deleting paragraph (i) and replacing it by the following paragraph –
    - (i) be between 18 months and 4 years from the date of first registration, at the date of shipment, except for a vehicle imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule.
  - (iii) in the third column, in paragraph (iii) by deleting the words “motorcars/vans(dual purpose vehicles)/minibuses” and replacing them by the word “vehicle”.
  - (iv) in the third column, by deleting paragraph (vii) and replacing it by the following paragraphs, the existing paragraph (viii) being renumbered (x).

- (vii) be covered by an inspection certificate in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule or containing the particulars and information required in the Sixth Schedule issued not earlier than 2 months before the date of shipment by a branch of Bureau Veritas or Société Générale de Surveillance (S.G.S) or a competent authority in the exporting country recognised by the Permanent Secretary, or with regard to Japan, South Africa and the United Kingdom by the authorities specified in the Seventh Schedule certifying the road-worthiness and usability of the vehicle, except where the vehicle is imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule;
  - (viii) be covered by a document issued by the appropriate authority in the exporting country and/or in the country of origin, acceptable by the Permanent Secretary as an evidence that the vehicle is not a stolen one;
  - (ix) have been first registered not later than in the year following the year of their manufacture;
- (b) in item 4(b) -
- (i) in the second and third columns, by deleting the words “Lorries/trucks/vans (goods vehicles)” and replacing them by the words “Goods vehicles (Lorries including double-cab heavy duty lorries and trucks other than 2x4 and 4x4 double-cab trucks)”;
  - (ii) in the third column, by deleting paragraph (i) and replacing it by the following paragraph—
    - (i) be not more than 8 years from the date of first registration, at the date of shipment, except for a vehicle imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule;
  - (iii) in the third column, by deleting paragraph (iii) and replacing it by the following paragraph—
    - (iii) be covered by an inspection certificate in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule or containing the particulars and information required in the Sixth Schedule issued not earlier than 2 months before the date of shipment of a branch of Bureau Veritas or Société Générale de Surveillance (S.G.S) or a competent authority in the exporting country recognised by the Permanent Secretary, or with regard to Japan, South Africa and United Kingdom by the authorities specified at the Seventh Schedule, certifying the road-worthiness and usability of the vehicle, except where the vehicle is imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule;

- (iv) in the third column, by adding after paragraph (vi), the following new paragraphs, paragraph (vii) and (viii) being renumbered (ix) and (x) respectively. -
- (vii) be covered by a document issued by the appropriate authority in the exporting country and/or in the country of origin, acceptable by the Permanent Secretary as an evidence that the vehicle is not a stolen one;
- (viii) have been first registered not later than in the year following the year of their manufacture.
- (c) by adding after the item 4(b), the following new items 4(c) and 4(d), the existing item 4(d) being re-lettered 4(e) -
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| <p>(c) Vans (other than motor buses) designed to carry goods, and/or to carry not more than 7 persons including the driver</p> | <p>Vans (other than motor buses) designed to carry goods, and/or to carry not more than 7 persons including the driver shall:-</p> <p>(i) be not more than 5 years from the date of first registration, except for a vehicle imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule;</p> <p>(ii) be consigned to the applicant whose name shall appear on the Bill of Lading and the manifest as the consignee;</p> <p>(iii) be registered with the National Transport Authority in the name of the importer except where the vehicle is imported by an authorised dealer;</p> <p>(iv) be a right-hand drive;</p> <p>(v) be in good running condition and not damaged;</p> <p>(vi) have its original chassis;</p> |
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- (vii) be covered by an inspection certificate in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule or containing the particulars and information required in the Sixth Schedule issued not earlier than 2 months before the date of shipment by a branch of Bureau Véritas or Société Générale de Surveillance (S.G.S) or a competent authority in the exporting country recognised by the Permanent Secretary, or with regard to Japan, South Africa and the United Kingdom by the authorities specified in the Seventh Schedule certifying the roadworthiness and usability of the vehicle, except where the vehicle is imported by the categories of importers specified in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule;
  - (viii) not be fitted with any bull bar.
- (d) Motor buses
- Motor buses shall -
    - (i) be not more than 8 years from the date of first registration, at the date of shipment, except for buses imported by the categories of importers specified in Part III of the Eighth Schedule;
    - (ii) have been designed for the transport of not less than 8 persons including the driver and not more than 32 persons including the driver;

- (iii) be fitted with a motor vehicle air conditioner when imported by public transport operators;
- (iv) be consigned to the applicant whose name shall appear on the Bill of Lading and the manifest as the consignee;
- (v) be registered with the National Transport Authority in the name of the importer except where the bus is imported by an authorised dealer;
- (vi) be a right-hand drive;
- (vii) be in good running condition and not damaged;
- (viii) have its original chassis;
- (ix) be covered by an inspection certificate in the form specified in the Sixth Schedule or containing the particulars and information required in the Sixth Schedule issued not earlier than 2 months before the date of shipment by a branch of Bureau Véritas or Société Générale de Surveillance (S.G.S) or a competent authority in the exporting country recognised by the Permanent Secretary, or with regard to Japan, South Africa and the United Kingdom by the authorities listed at the Seventh Schedule certifying the roadworthiness and usability of the vehicle, except where the vehicle is imported by the categories of importers specified in Part III of the Eighth Schedule;



- (x) be covered by a document issued by the appropriate authority in the exporting country and/or in the country of origin, acceptable by the Permanent Secretary as an evidence that the vehicle is not a stolen one;
- (xi) have been first registered not later than in the year following the year of their manufacture;
- (xii) not be fitted with any bull bar.

11. The principal regulations are amended -
  - (a) by repealing the Sixth Schedule and replacing it by the Sixth Schedule specified in the Schedule to these regulations;
  - (b) by repealing the Seventh Schedule and replacing it by the Seventh Schedule specified in the Schedule to these regulations;
  - (c) by adding after the Seventh Schedule, the Eighth Schedule specified in the Schedule to these regulations.
12. These regulations shall come into operation on 1 December 2004.

Made by the Minister on 29 November 2004.

**SCHEDULE**  
**(regulation 11)**

**SIXTH SCHEDULE**  
**(regulation 10 and Fifth Schedule)**

**INSPECTION CERTIFICATE**

1. We hereby declare that the second-hand motor vehicle, described hereunder to be exported to Mauritius/already imported into Mauritius\* has been inspected by our organisation. The particulars of which are as follows and this Pre-shipment Inspection Certificate/Inspection Certificate\* has been issued to the under-mentioned applicant.

- (a) Name of inspection organisation.....
- (b) Address: .....
- (c) Tel. No.: ..... Fax No.: ..... Email No.:.....
- (d) Place of inspection .....
- (e) Date of Inspection: .....

2. **Particulars of applicant:**

- (a) Name:.....
- (b) Address: .....
- (c) Tel. No.:..... Fax No. .... Email address: .....

3. **PARTICULARS OF SECOND-HAND MOTOR VEHICLE**

- (1) Type of vehicle :.....
- (2) Make :.....
- (3) Model :.....
- (4) Commonly called (emblem reading) :.....
- (5) Grade (emblem reading) :.....
- (6) Body colour :.....
- (7) Fuel type :.....
- (8) Year of manufacture :.....
- (9) Year/month of first registration :.....
- (10) Inspection mileage (odometer reading) :.....
- (11) Engine capacity :.....
- (12) Chassis No. :.....
- (13) Engine No. :.....
- (14) Unladen Weight :.....
- (15) Gross Vehicle Mass :.....

4. **We hereby certify and confirm as follows :-**

- (a) having cross-checked with the Vehicle Registration Authority the original of the last document emanating thereof and having inserted our seal as hereunder on both sides of the document; and
- (b) that the vehicle as described above is roadworthy and usable; and
- (c) the findings as set out in the vehicle Inspection Sheets I and II annexed.

Certification No.: .....

Date of issue: .....

Seal of the Organisation

Signature .....

Name : .....

Capacity in which acting:.....

**\*Delete as appropriate**

# VEHICLE INSPECTION SHEET I

TYPE OF VEHICLE		DRIVING SYSTEM		WEATHER CONDITION	
Sedan Car	χ	FF	χ	Good	χ
Station Wagon	χ	FR	χ	Darkness	χ
Van	χ	2WD	χ	Rainy	χ
Truck	χ	4WD Full time	χ		
Jeep Style	χ	Part time	χ		
Double Cab Truck	χ				
Bus(.....Seaters)	χ				

WHETHER BODY ACCIDENTED	*ALTERATION OF VEHICLE	CRACK OF WINDSCREEN
Yes χ      No χ	Yes χ      No χ	Yes χ      No χ

<b>BODY COLOUR:</b>	<b>Normal, Metallic, 2-Tone Colour:</b>
	χ      χ      χ

TRANSMISSION			NUMBER OF DOORS					TYPE OF ROOF	
Floor	χ	A/T						H: High	χ
Column	χ	M/T ---- 3, 4, 5, 6	2	3	4	5	6	M: Medium	χ
		χ χ χ χ	χ	χ	χ	χ	χ	S: Standard	χ

SHAPE AND BODY OF TRUCK
Wide, Cab, Bonnet, Standard, Long, Super Low Deck, Low Deck, High Deck, Opening 3 parts, Opening 1 part, Wood Floor, Steel Floor
(Tick as appropriate)

EXPLANATION OF MARKING	
A: Scratch	χ
U: Dent	χ
B: Bend	χ
W: Wave	χ
S: Rust	χ
C: Corrode	χ
T: Tear	χ
H: Hole	χ
XX: Replaced	χ
P: Painted	χ
M: Marking of Letter of Make removed	χ
L: Letter of Make remaining	χ

SIZE OF SCRATCH AND DENT	
1: Slight	χ
2: Small	χ
3: Medium	χ
4: Large	χ
5: Heavy	χ
DAMAGE TO CHASSIS	
Yes	χ      No      χ
Severe	χ
Moderate	χ
Light	χ

Remarks : .....

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Date of issue: .....

Signature .....

Capacity in which acting:.....

\*to confirm under Heading Remarks whether the vehicle was reconditioned after having been damaged by accident or by natural calamities including flood.

## VEHICLE INSPECTION SHEET II

TYRES		CONDITION OF INTERIOR AND SEATS	
Steel Wheel	χ	1. Smell of Tobacco	χ
Alloy Wheel	χ	2. Smell of Pet	χ
Size of Tyre	χ	3. Presence of Nicotine	χ
		4. Presence of Hair	χ

CONDITION OF:				CONDITION OF ROOM CLEANING			
1. Engine	Good	χ	Bad	χ	1. Clean	χ	
*(a) Smoke Emission	Good	χ	Bad	χ	2. Medium	χ	
(b) Other functions	Good	χ	Bad	χ	3. Dirty	χ	
2. Muffler	Good	χ	Bad	χ			
3. Transmission	Good	χ	Bad	χ			
4. Battery	Good	χ	Bad	χ			
5. Electrical Instruments	Good	χ	Bad	χ			

CONDITION OF ACCESSORIES									
Air-conditioner (Single, Dual)	Good	χ	Bad	χ	Sliding Roof (Power, Manual)	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Power Steering	Good	χ	Bad	χ	Jack	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Power Window (1,2,3,4)	Good	χ	Bad	χ	Wrench	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Electrical Central Door Locking	Good	χ	Bad	χ	ABS	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Power Mirrors (Door, Fender)	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Rear Wiper	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Cigarette Lighter Plug	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Rear Spoiler	Fixed	χ	None	χ
AM Radio	Fixed	χ	None	χ	High Mount Rear Stop Lamp	Fixed	χ	None	χ
AM/FM Radio	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Bumpers (Coloured, Black)	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Cassette	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Door Visor (1, 2, 3, 4)	Fixed	χ	None	χ
CD Player	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Mud Guard (Coloured, Black)	Fixed	χ	None	χ
TV	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Wheel Cover (1, 2, 3, 4)	Fixed	χ	None	χ
GPS Navigation System	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Side Slide Glass (Cut Glass)	Fixed	χ	None	χ
SRS Airbag (Single, Dual)	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Roof Rails	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Air Pure Filter	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Front Grill Guard (Large, Small)	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Rear Speaker (Single, Dual)	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Side Steps	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Floor Mat (1,2,3,4,5)	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Roller Bar	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Leather Seats	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Rear Cargo Bed Cover	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Radio Antenna (Power, Manual)	Good	χ	Bad	χ	Rear Protect Bar	Fixed	χ	None	χ
Front Fog Lamp (Single, Dual)	Fixed	χ	None	χ	Rear Spare Tyre Cover	Fixed	χ	None	χ

(Tick as appropriate)

Remarks : .....

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Date of issue: .....

Signature .....

Capacity in which acting:.....

\*to confirm under Heading Remarks whether the "smoke emission" of the vehicle is in conformity with the appropriate Japanese/European Standards, or in the case of a diesel-driven motor vehicle, it has a maximum opacity of 50 per cent.

**SEVENTH SCHEDULE**  
**(Fifth Schedule)**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Names and addresses of Authorities</b>
Japan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Bureau Veritas* Japan</li><li>2. Societe Generale de Surveillance* Japan</li><li>3. Japan Auto Appraisal Institute: JAAI** 1-20-8, Kitashinagawa, Shinagawa, Tokyo</li><li>4. SGS The Technical Section** 3-13 Moriya, Kanagawa-Ku, Yokohama</li><li>5. Japan Vehicle Inspection Association** 1-9-3 Akasaka, Minato, Tokyo</li><li>6. Mauriauto Inspection Organisation** 2-10-12 Ikouhoncho, Adachi-Ku Tokyo, Japan</li></ol>
South Africa	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Bureau Veritas* South Africa</li><li>2. Societe Generale de Surveillance* South Africa</li><li>3. AA Testing Centre** Motor City Centre Solomon Street Gezina Pretoria (Cape Town-Durban-Johannesburg)</li><li>4. Pretoria West Testing Centre** 112 Luttig Street Pretoria West Pretoria</li><li>5. Pro Auto Testing Centre** Flower Street Capital Park Pretoria</li></ol>

**Country****Names and addresses of Authorities**

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|     | 6. | Test Best Testing Centre**<br>97 Willem Kruiwagen Street<br>Rosslyn-east<br>Pretoria                        |
|     | 7. | Test Best Testing Centre**<br>8 Edward Avenue<br>Swartkop Ext. 17<br>Centurion<br>Pretoria                  |
|     | 8. | Test Best Testing Centre**<br>585 Rachel de Beer Street<br>Pretoria North<br>Pretoria                       |
|     | 9. | Test Best Testing Centre**<br>476 Hendrik Verwoerd Avenue<br>Gezina<br>Pretoria                             |
| U.K | 1. | Bureau Veritas*<br>U.K.   |
|     | 2. | Societe Generale de Surveillance*<br>U.K.   |
|     | 3. | Automobile Association (AA)**<br>Vehicle Inspection Lambert House<br>Cheadle Stockport<br>Cheshire SK 8 2DY |
|     | 4. | Royal Automobile Club (RAC)**<br>Vehicle Examination<br>1 Forest Road<br>Feltham<br>Middlesex TW 13 7RR     |
|     | 5. | Vehicle Inspectorate**<br>Bristol Office<br>Berkeley House<br>Croydon Street<br>Bristol BSS ODA             |

\*The Head Office and branches  
\*\*and any other sub-office

**EIGHTH SCHEDULE**  
***(regulations 9, 10 and Fifth Schedule)***

**EXEMPTED IMPORTERS**

**Part I**

1. Government bodies, local authorities, para-statal bodies.
2. Embassies and their personnel.
3. Religious, educational and benevolent institutions receiving a second-hand motor vehicle from abroad involving no transfer of funds from Mauritius.
4. A foreign firm engaged in a Government project or any other project of national interest importing its own vehicles from abroad involving no transfer of funds from Mauritius.
5. A foreigner taking employment in Mauritius, importing a vehicle for his own use from abroad without any transfer of funds from Mauritius.
6. A returning resident or spouse of a returning resident or a Mauritian receiving as gift a second-hand motor vehicle owned by his father, mother, brother, sister, son or daughter staying abroad, without any transfer of funds from Mauritius.
7. An individual importing a second-hand motor vehicle for his bona fide personal use covered by a Bill of lading and the relevant manifest including any amendment as may be authorised by the Comptroller of Customs showing his name as consignee

## **Part II**

1. Government bodies, local authorities, para-statal bodies.
2. Firms importing for the account of the Government, local authorities and para-statal bodies.
3. Embassies and their personnel.
4. Clinics, laboratories and individuals importing pharmaceutical, medical and hygienic products and food supplements for their own use.
5. Pharmacies importing life saving drugs.
6. Religious, educational and benevolent institutions importing controlled goods for their own use or for free distribution.
7. An individual importing from abroad for bona fide personal use controlled goods of a value not exceeding 15,000 rupees; or an incoming passenger bringing in his luggage controlled goods of a value not exceeding 15,000 rupees.
8. A trader importing advertising materials for free distribution.
9. Companies operating in the Export Processing Zone importing equipment, tools, spare parts and raw materials that appear on their schedule lists of equipment and raw materials.



### **PART III**

1. Government bodies, local authorities, para-statal bodies.
2. Embassies for their own use.
3. Religious, educational and benevolent institutions receiving a second-hand motor bus from abroad for their own use involving no transfer of funds from Mauritius.
4. A foreign firm engaged in a Government project or any other project of national interest importing its own motor buses for the transport of its employees involving no transfer of funds from Mauritius.

