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### **LIST OF PROHIBITED COSMETICS ON RWANDA MARKET (September 2023)**

**Reference is made to the Law N° 003/2018 of 09/02/2018** establishing Rwanda FDA and determining its mission, organization and functioning, specifically in its Chapter II, Article 8, Paragraph 5, stating that Rwanda FDA shall establish and publish the list of prohibited cosmetics;

**Reference is also made to the Ministerial Order N° 20/38 of 26/02/2016** determining the list of cosmetics whose use is prohibited in Rwanda, here below Rwanda FDA publishes the List of Prohibited Cosmetics on the Rwandan Market.

All Importers/Distributors should be aware of the *Ministerial Order N° 20/38 of 26/02/2016* ([Min\\_Order\\_Cosmetics2016 \(rwandafda.gov.rw\)](http://www.rwandafda.gov.rw)) and comply with it. Therefore, any cosmetic product not listed below but containing one or more of the prohibited ingredients or content (maximum tolerable concentration) is also prohibited on the Rwandan market.

<b>Body Lotions</b>		
<b>S/N</b>	<b>Brand name</b>	<b>Prohibited/Restricted ingredient (s)</b>
1	FAIR & WHITE / SO WHITE!	Hydroxyphenol (Hydroquinone) is claimed on label
2	MISS WHITE /FAIR & WHITE	Hydroxyphenol (Hydroquinone) is claimed on label
3	MAXI WHITE	Hydroxyphenol (Hydroquinone) is claimed on label
4	CARO LIGHT	Hydroxyphenol (Hydroquinone) is claimed on label
5	TEINT JAUNE/ LAIT CLARIFIANT	1,4- dihydroxybenze (Hydroquinone) is claimed on label
6	RAPID CLAIR	Dihydroxybenzene (Hydroquinone)
7	COCO PULP	Hydroquinone max 2% is claimed on label
8	ÉCLAIR 600	Hydroquinone max 2% is claimed on label
9	EXTRA CLAIR-LIGHTENING BEATY CREAM	Hydroquinone max 2% is claimed on label
10	BIO PLUS LEMON	1,4-benzenediol (Hydroquinone) is claimed on label

11	SO CARROT	Hydroxyphenol (Hydroquinone) is claimed on label
12	MAGIC CLAIRE	Hydroquinone
13	PRINCESS CLAIRE LOTION	Hydroquinone
14	ELEGANCE SKIN WHITENING CREAM	Hydroquinone
15	LA LA LA, Huile eclaircissante, adoucissante et rajeunissante (Clair), 100ml	Hydroquinone
16	Escabelle nail Body Lotion	Hydroquinone
17	EXTRA CLAIRE, 100ml	Hydroquinone
18	Clinic Secret Paris Clarifying Body Lotion	Hydroquinone
19	BEAUTE- Huile hydratante (Glycerine) 60ml	Hydroquinone
20	RAPID 7 Jours Triples Action	Hydroquinone
21	Bodywhite Lotion	Hydroquinone
22	CLEARTONE	Hydroquinone
23	DODO WHITE UP	Hydroquinone
24	BIO 26	Hydroquinone
25	NEUTROTONE	Hydroquinone
26	CLINIC CLAIR	Hydroquinone
27	72HEURES IMP	Hydroquinone
28	TOTEM CAROTTE	Hydroquinone
29	RAPID WHITE	Hydroquinone
30	RAPID CLAIR	Hydroquinone
31	BEAUTY CREAM	Hydroquinone
32	L'ABIDJANAISE	Hydroquinone
33	CHARMS LIGHTENING	Hydroquinone
34	PURE WHITE GOLD GLOWING	Hydroquinone
35	FATIMA	Hydroquinone
36	TOPSYGEL WHITENING LOTION	Hydroquinone
37	GOLD SKIN BODY CREAM SIVOP	Hydroquinone
38	VIVA WHITE	Hydroquinone
39	PURE SKIN	Hydroquinone
40	MARICHA	Hydroquinone
41	ZI KUSOOKA	Hydroquinone
42	PEAU CLAIR BODY OIL	Hydroquinone
43	SIVOCLAIR	Hydroquinone
44	MISS CALORINE	Hydroquinone
45	CAROTENE BRIGHTINING	Hydroquinone
46	A3 Cleartouch Complex Lotion	Hydroquinone
47	INFINI CLEAR	Kojic Acid
48	CLINIC CLEAR	Kojic Acid, BHT
49	PEAU JAUNE	Whitening Agent

50	BIO	Whitening Agent
51	LAIT DE TOILETTE/42 HEURES JUSTE	Whitening Agent
52	TOTEM/ CRÈME DE BEAUTE	Whitening Agent
53	CARO LIGHT	Hydroquinone
54	MAXI CLAIRE	Hydroquinone
55	MISS CAROLINE	Hydroquinone
56	PEAU CLAIRE	Hydroquinone
57	SKIN LIGHT	Hydroquinone
58	CITROLIGHT	Hydroquinone
59	CLAIRMEN	Hydroquinone
60	ELEGANCE	Hydroquinone
61	MISS RICO	Hydroquinone
62	PERLE CLAIRE	Hydroquinone
63	RAPID CLAIRE LIGHT	Hydroquinone
64	BIO 26	Kojic acid
65	EXTA CLAIRE	Kojic acid
66	G&G	Kojic acid
67	HYPPROGEL	Kojic acid
68	BIO CLAIRE	Kojic acid
69	PUREBEAUTY	Kojic acid
70	DERMACLAIR	Corticosteroids
71	DERMASOL	Corticosteroids
72	DERMOTYL	Corticosteroids
73	DIPROSON	Corticosteroids
74	VITE CLAIR	Corticosteroids
75	A3 Lemon Skin Lightening Lotion	Hydroquinone
76	Kiss Lotion	Hydroquinone
77	Super Max-Tone Lotion	Hydroquinone
78	Tura Lotion	Hydroquinone
79	Clear Essance Skin Beautifying Milk	Hydroquinone
80	QEI+ Lait Innovateur	Hydroquinone
81	QEI + ACTIVE Efficacite extreme	Hydroquinone
82	Precieux Treatment Beauty Lotion	Hydroquinone
83	NANO Magic Potion Whitening Lotion	Kojic Acid
<b>Creams/Serum</b>		
<b>S/N</b>	<b>Brand name</b>	<b>Prohibited/Restricted ingredient (s)</b>
1	BEAUTI-CRÈME eclaircissante pour la peau, 330ml	Hydroquinone
2	MIKI CLAIRE, Crème hydratante et éclaircissante, 110ml	Hydroquinone
3	SANS TACHE	Hydroquinone

4	PERFECT WHITE ANTI TACHE /Serum	Hydroquinone
5	GOLD SKIN	Hydroquinone
6	SECRETE DAME	Hydroquinone
7	NATURE SECRETE	Hydroquinone
8	YAKO MILK	Hydroquinone
9	Pimplex Medicated Cream	Mercury and its Compounds
10	New Shirley Medicated Cream	Mercury and its Compounds
11	Mic Cream	Hydroquinone
12	Fade-Out Cream	Hydroquinone
13	Rico Complexion Cream	Hydroquinone
14	Viva Super Lemon Cream	Hydroquinone
15	Palmer's Skin Success (pack) Cream	Hydroquinone
16	Fair & White Whitening Cream	Hydroquinone
17	Madonna Medicated Beauty Cream	Hydroquinone
18	Clear Touch Lotion	Hydroquinone
20	Skin Balance Lemon Cream	Hormones in steroids
21	Body Clear Cream	Hormones in steroids
22	Age renewal Cream	Hormones in steroids
23	Avoderm Cream	Steroids
24	White SPA UV Lightening Cream	Steroids
25	Fair & White exclusive whitenizer cream gel	Hydroquinone & Steroid
26	Clair & White Body Cream	Hydroquinone
27	Dream Successful Cream	Hydroquinone
28	Topi Clear Cream	Hydroquinone
29	Nish Medicated Cream	Hydroquinone
30	Lolane Cream	Hydroquinone
31	Clere Extra Cream	Hydroquinone
32	Dear Heart with Hydroquinone Cream	Hydroquinone
33	Malaika Medicated Beauty Cream	Hydroquinone
34	Binti Jambo Cream	Hydroquinone
35	Madonna Medicated Beauty Cream	Hydroquinone
36	Bio Light Cream	Hydroquinone

### Cosmetic Soaps

S/N	Brand name	Prohibited/Restricted ingredient (s)
1	Movate Soap	Mercury and its compounds
2	Miki Soap	Mercury and its compounds
3	Jaribu Soap	Mercury and its compounds
4	Binti Jambo Soap	Mercury and its compounds
5	Amira Soap	Mercury and its compounds
6	Mekako Soap	Mercury and its compounds
7	Rico Soap	Mercury and its compounds
8	Tura Soap	Mercury and its compounds
9	Acura Soap	Mercury and its compounds

10	Fair Lady Soap	Mercury and its compounds
11	Elegance Soap	Mercury and its compounds
12	Blackstar Soap	Hydroquinone
13	Lady Claire Soap	Hydroquinone
14	Ultra Clear Soap	Hydroquinone
15	Levista Organic face soap	Hydroquinone
16	Topi Clear Beauty Complexion Soap	Hydroquinone
17	Immediate Clair Lightening Beauty Soap	Hydroquinone
18	M.G.C Extra Clear Soap	Hydroquinone
19	Cherie Claire Body Beauty Lightening & Treating Soap	Hydroquinone
<b>Powder</b>		
<b>S/N</b>	<b>Brand name</b>	<b>Prohibited/Restricted ingredient (s)</b>
1	Johnson's Baby Powder	Suspected to contain chemical ingredients that may harm the life of users

**Notes:**

1- The above list shall continuously and periodically be reviewed and updated whenever the need arises.

2- All Cosmetics Importers/Distributors in Rwanda are recommended to consistently and continuously refer to the list as the cosmetic products listed on the above list will not be allowed to be imported in Rwanda.

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