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Registrars Circular 7 of 2009

The Municipal Property Rates Act No 6 of 2004

1. In terms of section 89(3) of the above referred to Act, Registrars of deeds are compelled to call for rates clearance certificates with the transfer of all "property" as defined in section 1, as from 2 July 2009.
2. As an interim measure, and until a final arrangement as to the rating of property is made the following measures will apply:
 - 2.1 Examiners of Deeds need not insist on rates clearance certificate for rights registered against immovable property, as provided for in the definition of property. This will have the effect that no rates clearance certificate need be called for the registration of inter alia, exclusive use areas, cessions of real rights of extension, cession of lease agreement and cession of servitudes.
 - 2.2 With regard to the transferring of sections simultaneously with the opening of the sectional title register or phase development, the clearance certificate for the land will suffice for the registration of the simultaneous transfers. Thus no separate rates clearance certificate will be required for the units transferred.
3. Kindly note that the above measures only covers "property" within jurisdiction of the Kungwini Local Municipality


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