ADMISSION OF PUBLIC INTO IMMOVABLE ANTIQUITIES RULES 1982

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NOTIFICATIONS

S.R.O. 1048(I)/82 - The following rules for the regulation of admission of the public into immovable antiquities in exercise of the powers conferred by section 37 of the Antiquities Act, 1975 (VII of 1976), are hereby published.

RULES

1. Short title, application and commencement - (1) These rules may be called the Admission of Public into Immovable Antiquities Rules, 1982.
   2) They shall apply to all Immovable/Protected Antiquities in Pakistan.
   3) They shall come into force at once.

2. Definitions - In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context, -

   a) Directors means the Director of Archaeology, Northern Circle of Archaeology, Old Fort Lahore, and Southern Circle of Archaeology, Pucca Fort, Hyderabad; and
   b) "Schedule" means a Schedule to these rules.
   c) All words and expressions not defined in these rules, shall have the same meaning as are assigned to them in the Antiquities Act, 1975.

3. Visiting hours - The time for visiting the immovable antiquities shall be such as may be fixed and notified by the Director General through newspapers from time to time.

4. Tickets and fees for admission during visiting hours - No visitor shall be admitted into the immovable antiquities specified in Schedule, 'A' during visiting hours unless

   a) he pays an admission fee of Rs. 4.00 if he is above the age of twelve years;
   b) he pays an admission fee of Rs. 2.00 if he is not above the age of twelve years; or
   c) he pays an admission fee of Rs.2.00 if he is an armed forces personnel in uniform:

   Provided that a child under the age of five years shall be admitted free of admission fee if he is accompanied by his parent or guardian:

   Provided further that nothing in this rule shall apply to —

   a) a bona fide student either accompanied by a teacher of his concerned
educational institution or possessing a letter issued by the Principal or the Head Master, as the case may be, of the concerned educational institution;

b) a member of ICOM and ICC Rome, Museums Association of Pakistan or Friends of Museums Association of Pakistan;

c) a state guest, VIP or government functionary on duty;

d) a serving or retired employee of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism or the Department of Archaeology; and

e) a retired Federal Government servant: and

5. Fee during special illumination - Fee for admission to the Immovable Antiquity specified in Schedule "B" during special illumination, shall be the same as prescribed under rule 4.

6. Admission ticket - (1) The admission tickets shall be available for sale in the booking office at the place of entrance to the immovable antiquities.

2) Not more than fifty visitors shall be admitted into an immovable antiquity at once and the same time.

3) No tickets for admission shall be issued within the half an hours before the expiry of the visiting hours.

4) Every person shall produce the admission tickets at the gate to the attendant on duty before entering into immovable antiquity.

5) The admission tickets shall be available and valid only for the day of issue.

6) Refund of tickets once purchased shall not be allowed on any account.

7. Visits to the places of worship or shrine - Every visitor shall pay due respect to the places of worship or shrines and shall do nothing to pollute or desecrate them.

2) The places of worship and shrine shall not be used for any purpose incompatible with their religious character.

3) No person shall be allowed to enter into a place of worship or the main chambers of a shrine with his shoes on.

8. Prohibition for admission of persons with infections diseases - No person suffering from any infections disease shall be allowed to visit the immovable antiquities.

9. Prohibition to walk over the walls or excavated remains or to disfigure the buildings etc. - No person shall —

a) Walk over the walls of the immovable antiquities; or

b) Touch or remove any objects of the immovable antiquities; or

c) Damage, alter, deface or imperil the immovable antiquities; or

d) Write names or scribble on the surface of the immovable antiquities.

10. Prohibition to take arms or weapons, etc. - No person, except official on duty, shall take any kind of arms or weapons, including air guns into the immovable antiquities.

11. Prohibition to use loud speaker - No person shall use loud speaker within the immovable antiquities.
12. Prohibition to commit any nuisance - No person shall commit any nuisance, insanitary or otherwise, inside the immovable antiquities.

13. Prohibition to hawk - No person shall within the immovable antiquities, hawk articles for sale or carry on trade of any description or tout or advertise on behalf of the shopkeepers or the firms.

14. Prohibition to bathe, etc. - No person shall spit, bathe or wash clothes in the tank or channels with the immovable antiquities.

15. Prohibition to take bicycles Vehicles, etc. - No bicycles, motor cycles and other vehicles shall be taken inside the immovable antiquities.

16. Prohibition to take dogs, etc. - No dogs or other animals shall be taken inside the immovable antiquities.

17. Prohibition to hold picnics, etc. - No picnic or other parties shall be held within the immovable antiquities without the previous permission, in writing of the Director concerned.

18. Prohibition to cook meals, etc. - No persons shall cook meals or light fires within the immovable antiquities except with the permission of the Director concerned.

19. Prohibition to shoot cinematography films - No person shall shoot any cinematograph except with the previous permission in writing of the Director concerned.

20. Prohibition to enter excavated trenches - No person shall enter the trenches when excavation work is in progress nor shall converse with the workmen, nor shall take photographs of immovable antiquities and sites under excavation.

21. Prohibition to offer tips, etc. - No person shall offer any tips or gratuity to the attendants or any other employees of the Department of Archaeology posted in the immovable antiquities.

22. Prohibition to hold functions - No political speeches, political social, cultural and religious functions shall be held within the immovable antiquities:

   "Provided that this rule shall not be applicable in respect of functions arranged by the Government in honour of foreign Heads of States or foreign dignitaries".

23. Closure of protected immovable antiquities - The Director concerned may with the prior approval of the Director General close any immovable antiquity for public on account of the visit of foreign Heads of States, foreign dignitaries, VIPs or due to certain essential repair works.

24. Prohibition of posting of bills, neon-signs and other kinds of advertisement - No person shall put any neon-signs or other kind of advertisement including posting of bills within the immovable antiquities.
25. **Penalty for breach of rules** - Any person who commits a breach of any of these rules shall, without prejudice to any penalty or remedy provided by or under any other law, on conviction by a magistrate, be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees.


**SCHEDULE 'A'**  
(See rule 4)

Immovable Antiquities where admission fee is available.

i) Lahore Fort.

ii) Jahangir’s Tomb, Noor Jahan’s Tomb and Asif Khan’s Tomb, Shahdara, District Lahore.

iii) Hiran Minar and Tank, District Sheikhupura.

iv) Excavated remains at Harappa, District Sahiwal.

v) Excavated remains at Taxila, District Rawalpindi.

vi) Mughal Gardens at Wah, District Rawalpindi.

vii) Excavated remains at Moenjodaro, District Larkana.

viii) Excavated remains at Takht-Bahi, District Mardan.

ix) Excavated remains at Banbhore, District Thatta.

x) Graveyard at Chaukhandi, District Karachi.

xi) Kot Diji Fort, District Khairpur.

**SCHEDULE 'B'**  
(See rule 5)

Immovable Antiquities where admission will be through admission tickets during special illumination.

Shalamar Gardens, Lahore.

*Note:* There will be no special illumination in the gardens from November to February (both the months inclusive).