

**Royal Decree 19/2019
Promulgating the Mineral Resources Law**

We, Qaboos bin Said, the Sultan of Oman
after perusal of the Basic Statute of the State promulgated by Royal Decree 101/96,
the Expropriation for Public Benefit Law promulgated by Royal Decree 64/78,
the Protection of National Heritage Law promulgated by Royal Decree 6/80,
Royal Decree 15/81 Concerning the Territorial Sea, Continental
Shelf, and Exclusive Economic Zone,
the Law Governing the Accounting and Audit Profession promulgated by Royal Decree 77/86,
the Financial Law promulgated by Royal Decree 47/98,
the Water Resources Protection Law promulgated by Royal Decree 29/2000,
the Environment Protection and Pollution Prevention Law promulgated by Royal Decree 114/2001,
the Nature Reserves and Wildlife Conservation Law promulgated by Royal Decree 6/2003,
the Mining Law promulgated by Royal Decree 27/2003,
the Labour Law promulgated by Royal Decree 35/2003,
and Royal Decree 79/2013 Promulgating the System of the Special Economic Zone at Duqm,
and after presentation to the Council of Oman,
and in pursuance of public interest,

have decreed as follows

Article I

The attached Mineral Resources Law shall apply.

Article II

The board of directors of the Public Authority for Mining shall issue the executive regulation for this law within a maximum period of 1 (one) year from the date of its issuance, and the decisions

necessary for implementing its provisions, and until they are issued, the existing regulations and decisions shall continue to operate to the degree that they do not contradict with its provisions.

Article III

Exploitation agreements made, and licences issued, prior to the entry into force of this law shall continue to apply, provided their renewal is in accordance with the provisions prescribed herein.

Decisions concerning licence requests submitted prior to the entry into force of this law shall be in accordance with the procedures and controls stipulated herein.

Article IV

The Mining Law promulgated by Royal Decree 27/2003 is hereby repealed, as well as every provision contrary to this law or in conflict with its provisions.

Article V

This decree shall be published in the Official Gazette and shall come into force the day after the lapse of 30 (thirty) days from the date of its publication.

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**Qaboos bin Said
Sultan of Oman**

Note: This is a translated version of the royal decree. In case of discrepancy between the Arabic original and English translation, the Arabic text prevails.

[The attachments to this royal decree are currently not available in English]