

## Environmental Services and Community Safety

Regulatory Services Manager: Gavin Douglas



Mr Fanica Mosescu,  
Sofi-Mar  
516 High Road,  
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Date: 9<sup>th</sup> of April 2024  
Your ref:  
Our ref: MB/Sofi Mar 19.04.24 /WK/  
Direct No: 020 8489 4519 or  
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Dear Mr Fanica Mosescu,

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2024, Trading Standards Officers carried out an inspection at your premises Sofi Mar, 516 High Road, London N17 9SX. The officers discovered the following goods while carrying out their inspection behind the counter, under the shelves and on top of the fridge.

1. 40 x 20 Packet Cigarettes
2. 41 x 20 Packet Cigarettes

The tobacco products and cigarettes seized did not carry the correct UK Health Warnings, were non-UK Duty Paid and were not in standardised packaging as required for the UK market. These facts can constitute offences under the above-mentioned legislation.

1. That information contained on the products was in a language other than English and would not inform purchasers on the safe use of the product. This information is required under regulation 8(1) of the General Product Safety Regulation 2005 contrary to regulation 20(1) General Product Safety Regulation 2005
2. Had in possession tobacco products that failed to comply with the requirements of Regulation 7(1) of the Standardised Packaging of Tobacco Products Regulations 2015 in that the exterior of the packaging did not have the permitted colour, that being Pantone 448c applied to it, but displayed the colours white and blue, Contrary to Regulation 15(1) of the Standardised Packaging of Tobacco Products Regulations 2015

In order to complete my investigation, I wish to put some questions to you as the owner, Premises Licence Holder and/or Designated Premises Supervisor of the business. When replying please ensure that this letter is answered by you, and you sign and date it to approve its content.

The interview would be conducted in accordance with the rules laid down in the **Codes of Practice under Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984**. You may seek legal advice or assistance when answering these questions.

**Please return the written answers by the 29th of April 2024**

Yours faithfully

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