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## Rounding Mechanism

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The Malaysian Government wishes to announce the introduction of a Rounding Mechanism to **the nearest multiple of 5 sen** for over-the-counter payments to be fully implemented by **1 April 2008**.

The Rounding Mechanism only applies to **the total amount of a bill and not on individual items**. In the Rounding Mechanism exercise, the total amount of a bill which ends in **1, 2, 6 and 7 sen** will be **rounded down** while the total bill which ends in **3, 4, 8 and 9 sen** will be **rounded up** to **the nearest multiple of 5 sen**.

The implementation of the Rounding Mechanism brings benefits to both businesses and customers. Businesses will be able to save on handling costs and for customers, it will make payment faster and more convenient.

The table below illustrates how the Rounding Mechanism works:

Bill ends in sen	Round off to the nearest 5 sen	Total Amount of A Bill	
		Total amount before rounding (RM)	Total amount after rounding (RM)
1,2	Down	82. <u>01</u> 82. <u>02</u>	82.00
3,4	Up	82. <u>03</u> 82. <u>04</u>	82.05
6,7	Down	82. <u>06</u> 82. <u>07</u>	82.05
8,9	Up	82. <u>08</u> 82. <u>09</u>	82.10

### General guidelines of rounding

1. The total amount of a bill (including goods and services subject to tax) that ends in **1, 2, 6 and 7 sen** to be rounded downwards and **3, 4, 8 and 9 sen** to be rounded upwards **to the nearest multiple of 5 sen**.
2. Applicable to cash or non-cash payments made over-the-counter. On-line transactions are not included.
3. The Rounding Mechanism table must be clearly displayed at the point of sale so as to ensure customers are appropriately informed.
4. Receipts should feature the total amount of the bill before and after the rounding.

5. The 1 sen coin shall continue to be legal tender.

### **Information/enquiries**

More information can be obtained at Kementerian Perdagangan Dalam Negeri dan Hal Ehwal Pengguna's website [www.kpdnhep.gov.my](http://www.kpdnhep.gov.my) or Bank Negara Malaysia's website ([www.bnm.gov.my](http://www.bnm.gov.my)) and via their respective hotlines at 1-800-886-800 and 1-300-88-5465.

Enquiries can also be emailed to [1sen@bnm.gov.my](mailto:1sen@bnm.gov.my).

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