

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS VALUATION CUSTOM HOUSE KARACHI

The Collectors of Customs, Model Customs Collectorates, Appraisement (East / West)/Port Qasim/ Preventive), Karachi / Lahore (Appraisement / Preventive) / Sambrial (Sialkot) / Faisalabad / Multan / Islamabad / Hyderabad/ Quetta / Peshawar/ Gawadar/ Gilgit-Baltistan.

DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF SOFT & HARD SAWN WOOD UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO.671 / 2014)

No.Misc-06/2007-II (B)/III

Dated: March 31st, 2014

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, the Customs values of Soft and Hard Sawn Wood are determined as follows:-

- 1. Background of the valuation issue: The Customs values of Soft and Hard Sawn Wood were determined under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, vide Valuation Rulings No.46/2007, dated 10-11-2007 and No.180/2009, dated 31-10-2009 followed by Corrigendum dated 04-11-2009. Since, the above said Valuation Ruling were considerably old and needed revision. Therefore, an exercise to re-determine the Customs values of the subject goods under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, was initiated.
- 2. Method adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed in sequential manner. Transaction value method in terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 was found inapplicable because information required as per law was not available. Values under Identical and Similar Goods Value Method as provided under Sub-Sections (5) & (6) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were examined but the same could not be relied upon. Consequently, market enquiry in terms of Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 was conducted and the findings of market enquiry revealed upward trend for all types of Soft and Hard Sawn Wood. There were variations in the values. Computed value method under Sub-Section (8) of Section 25 was found inapplicable as the goods are natural product. Therefore, Customs values of Soft and Hard Sawn Wood were determined under Sub-Section (9) Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969.
- 3. Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values: Meetings were held with stakeholders on 12-02-2014 and 25-03-2014, which were attended by different stakeholders including the office bears of Karachi Timber Merchants Group (KTMG) and representatives of importers. The stakeholders feedback, written as well as oral, during the meetings, is available on record and has been given due consideration while determining the values for Soft and Hard Sawn Wood
- Customs Values of Soft and Hard Wood: Soft and Hard Sawn Wood hereinafter specified, shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs values: -



S.No.	Description of Goods	PCT Code	Proposed PCT Code for WeBOC	Origins	Customs Value (C&F) US\$ / M3
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.	Softwood Logs	4403.2000	4403.2000.1000	Europe/ North America	130.00
2.	Soft / White / Red Wood Rough / Sawn / S4S Timber	4403.9900 & 4407.2900	4403.9900.1000 4407.2900.1000	Europe	185.00
			4403.9900.1100 4407.2900.1100	USA	195.00
			4403.9900.1200 4407.2900.1200	Canada	215.00
			4403.9900.1300 4403.2900.1300	Others	225.00
3.	African Sawn Timber	4403.9900 & 4407.2900	4403.9900.1400 4407.2900.1400	African Countries	325.00
4.	Myanmar Teek Logs	4403.4910	4403.4910.1000	Myanmar	1050.00
5.	Myanmar Hardwood / Gurjan Logs	4403.4910	4403.4910.1100	Myanmar	325.00
6.	Hardwood Logs	4403.4910	4403.4910.1200	African Countries	275.00
7.	Medium Light Hardwood Logs	4403.4910	4403.4910.1300	South East Asia	380.00
8.	Red Meranti Sawn Timber Wood	4407.2500	4407.2500.1000	South East Asia	380.00
9.	Yellow Meranti Sawn Timber Wood	4407.2600	4407.2600.1000	South East Asia	335.00
10.	Beech Wood Sawn Timber	4407.9200	4407.9200.1000	Europe/ North America	350.00
11.	Ash Wood Sawn Timber & Other Hardwood Species	4407.9500	4407.9500.1000	Europe/ North America	400.00

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- 5. In cases where declared/transaction values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms of sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account the differential amount between air freight and sea freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling.
- 6. Validity of this Valuation Ruling: The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value for assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Sections (1) or (3) of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.



- 7. Revision of the values determined vide this Valuation Ruling: A Revision Petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided under Section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issue, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 8. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that values given in the Ruling for the given description of goods are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate General immediately.
- This Ruling Supersedes Valuation Ruling No.46/2007, dated 10-11-2007 and 180/2009, dated 31-10-2009 (followed by corrigendum dated 04-11-2009).

Copy for information to:

- S.A to Chairman, F.B.R., Islamabad.
- (2)Member (Customs), F.B.R, Islamabad.
- Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi. (3)
- Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisement), Custom House, Karachi.
- Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi. (5)
- Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
- Chief Collector of Customs, (North), Islamabad.
- Director General, Intelligence and Investigation (Customs), Islamabad.
- Director General, Post Clearance Audit, Islamabad.
- (10) Director General Internal Audit, (Customs), Islamabad.
- (11) Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, (Customs), Karachi/Lahore /Islamabad/Peshawar/Quetta/Faisalabad.
- (12) The Project Director WeBOC, 11th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- (13) Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation, Custom House, Nabha Road, Lahore.
- (14) The Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi for uploading in One Customs and WeBOC database and deleting the Valuation Ruling No. 46/2007, dated 10-11-2007 and No.180/2009, dated 31-10-2009 and Corridendum dated 04-11-2009), on the date of issue of this Ruling.
- (15) Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- (16) Chairman (Valuation Committee), KCC&I, Aiwan-e-Tijarat Road, Karachi.
- (17) Customs Revenue Audit, 8th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- (18) Law Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
 (19) Review Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- (20) Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- (21) CHO, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
 (22) Notice Board, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom Karachi/MCC, Appraisement, 1st Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
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