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GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN  
APPRAISEMENT COLLECTORATE  
CUSTOM HOUSE KARACHI

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OFFICE ORDER NO 8/2005-(A)

Subject: DECLARATION / ASSESSMENT OF IMPORTED FABRICS.

In order to check under invoicing and mis-declaration in quality, quantity, weight, origin etc of imported fabrics of various types, special committees have been constituted. CSC, assessing group and the committees, duly assisted by M/s. PRAL, KPT and terminal operators, shall ensure compliance of following procedure for comprehensive examination of consignments of fabrics:-

- i. every consignment of fabrics shall be subject to 1<sup>st</sup> examination.
- ii. committees constituted for examination of fabrics shall, in advance, generate consolidated statement of weight as reflected against each index, declared in the IGM as well as auto-recorded by the custodians through gantries / cranes at the time of unloading of containers from ships, in CD / floppy diskette form as well as hard copy, and keep said record readily available with them well before filing of G.D and examination thereof for the sake of comparison. The statement shall be carefully scrutinized by respective Deputy / Assistant Collectors wharves / terminals in consultation with Additional Collector wharves for the purpose of risk profiling and accordingly for detailed examination once such G.Ds are presented to the committees.
- iii. in case of non-weighment of containers through gantry / cranes at the time of grounding, weighment shall be done at computerized weighbridge of terminals / wharves under supervision of any of the committee members at the time of delivery and weight, endorsed on G.D by examining officer weighbridge for further necessary action.
- iv. Customers Service Centre Custom House shall ensure that GDs of fabrics are accepted and manifested with following declaration:-
  - a) complete description of fabrics
  - b) total gross and net weight of the consignment
  - c) grammage per meter / grammage per sqm
  - d) mode of packing i.e. in rolls or in bales with total number of rolls per cartoon / bales.
  - e) width and meterage of each quality separately.
  - f) density in terms of yarn per square inch of fabric.
  - g) denier of warp yarn
  - h) denier of weft yarn

above mentioned particulars shall also be required to be reflected in the commercial invoice. In case of incomplete declaration in respect of above particulars, CSC staff shall not manifest G.D and direct the clearing agent to provide / declare complete information. The importers / clearing agents may, however, have the option to request examination of goods under 1<sup>st</sup> proviso to section

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79 (1) of the Customs Act, 1969, in case complete information regarding contents and particulars of goods was not available with them.

- v. all consignments of fabrics shall be examined by the committees, especially constituted for the purpose. During course of examination, examining staff / committee shall ensure that requisite information in respect of all particulars, as mentioned above, is categorically reflected in the examination report. In this regard, correct determination of denier, density and weight etc. shall be prime focus of committees. In case of any doubt or confusion, the committee shall draw representative samples in presence of clearing agent. The samples shall be forwarded to the customs laboratory for confirmation of the above aspects.
- vi. after examination of goods, G.Ds shall be presented to the group for completion. The group shall assess various types of fabrics keeping in view the quality, grammage, meterage and other material particulars as reported by the examination staff / committee. In case of any violation, appropriate action shall be initiated by the group in light of reported violations.

2. In the meantime, M/s. PRAL, in association with KPT and terminal operators, will devise procedure for recording of weightment system which will capture the weights either at gantry / crane or computerized weighment bridges of terminals / wharves. Gross, tare and net weight of each container shall be recorded by the system. Real time transfer of weight data recorded by the terminal operators / KPT computer systems, to M/s. PRAL, shall be ensured by the custodians. M/s. PRAL shall provide online access to KPT / terminal operators for recording of weight on real time basis.

(Azhar Majeed Khalid)  
Collector

Copy to:-

1. The Additional Collectors of Customs, Appraisement-I-II-III, Custom House, Karachi.
2. All the Deputy / Assistant Collectors of Customs, Appraisement, Custom House, Karachi.
3. The Deputy / Assistant Collectors, East / West wharves / AICT, with the direction to ensure that carrier manifest weight and gantry / crane weight is appropriately ensured to be provided to the examination committee.
4. The Senior Project Manager, M/s. PRAL, 9<sup>th</sup> floor, Custom House, Karachi.
5. The Traffic Manager Karachi Port Trust, Karachi.
6. The Deputy Traffic Managers, East / West wharves, to ensure that gantry / crane weight is appropriately ensured to be provided to respective Deputy / Assistant Collectors wharves for further necessary action.
7. The Terminal Managers, KICT, PICT, AICT, Pak Shaheen Container Services, to ensure that gantry / crane weight is appropriately ensured to be provided to respective Deputy / Assistant Collectors wharves for further necessary action.
8. All concerned.