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Sub: Registration and Application process for all the stake holders under Sea Cargo Manifest & Transhipment Regulations – Reg.

Kind attention of Authorised Sea Carriers (Including Shipping Line)/ Authorised Sea Agents (Steamer/Shipping Agent) / Authorised Other Notified Persons (Freight Forwarders/NVOCC) / Authorised Transhippers / Terminal Operator/ Custodians / Authorised persons of all the above is invited to Non-Tariff Notification No. 78/2019 dated 31.10.2019 vide which Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment (Second Amendment) Regulations were notified, and filing the Cargo Declaration in the new format under the subject regulations shall come into effect from 16.02.2020.

2. The requirement of getting registered through ICEGATE under new regulations was brought to the notice of all the stakeholders vide this Office Trade Facility No. 25/2018 and Public Notices 34/2018, 40/2018 and 18/2019. However, it is seen that only few have registered till date. Considering that the testing of new modules/messages under the said regulations are available from 15.01.2020 and that the new formats for filing Arrival / Departure Manifest as per the regulations shall come into force from 16.02.2020, the stakeholders are required to get themselves registered under the new regulations before 20.01.2020. During the interim phase i.e. 15.01.2020 to 16.02.2020 the stakeholders are required to send the messages/manifests in the new format as well as in addition to the existing formats for ensuring smooth switchover to the new format.

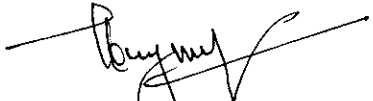
3. The registrations for all the stake holders were operationalized. The master applicant entity will submit the application using their login credentials on the ICEGATE web portal. The application will have details of master applicant entity, persons authorised by them to work on their behalf, various operations they intend to perform under new regulations and supporting documents like address proof, contract/agreement etc. If the same entity is executing different roles, they are required to apply separately for each of those entity types. Thereafter, the application will be routed through ICES for approval by jurisdictional Customs Officer.

4. A detailed guidance note on the application process, application form and the various codes, terms and validations has been made available on the ICEGATE web portal (<https://www.icegate.gov.in/SeaManifestRegulation.html>) as part of a detailed technical guidance note on SCMTR for the benefit of Stakeholders.

5. Different entity types that are required to be registered under the new regulations along with messages/ manifests they would be required to file with Customs are enclosed herewith as Annexure - I.

6. All the stakeholders are required to take cognisance and comply with the new regulations. Any difficulty in complying with the same may be intimated to the undersigned.

(Authority: ICES Advisory 01/2020 - Registration and Application process for all the stakeholders).


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Annexure - I

ICES Advisory 01/2020 (SCMTR) dated 13.01.2020 – Registration and Application Process for all the Stakeholders – reg.

Reference is invited to ICES Advisory 04/2019 dt 28.02.2019 on registration process under the new Sea Cargo Manifest Regulations (SCMTR). Initially, registration of only Authorized Sea Carriers (ASC) like Shipping Lines/Agents etc. was operationalized. Over the last few months, registrations of all other stakeholders have also been implemented.

2. While some stakeholders have registered successfully on ICEGATE, many are yet to do it. In this context, it is informed that vide Notification No 78/2019 – Customs (N.T.) dated 31.10.2019, the date of implementation of the new regulations have been fixed as 16th of February, 2020. Consequently, many of the new messages would be available for testing from the 15th of January. In the interim phase till 15th February, the stakeholders would be required to send the messages/manifests in the new format as well in addition to the existing formats. This would be the testing phase to ensure that the complete switchover to the new formats in February is smooth.

3. It is imperative, therefore, that all the stakeholders register on ICEGATE and apply from within their ICEGATE login to operate under the new SCMTR. Table 1 below gives a matrix of different entity types that are required to register along with the messages/manifests they would be required to file with Customs. Further details on these were given in earlier advisories and is also available on ICEGATE website under the new Sea Cargo Manifest Regulations link (<https://www.icegate.gov.in/SeaManifestRegulation.html>). With a few exceptions as detailed in column (iv) in the table below, the registration process remains largely the same for all the stakeholders which has been detailed in the above mentioned advisory 04/2019. The advisory also details on the process of approval of registration by the Customs officer in ICES.

TABLE 1

Entity Type (i)	Description (ii)	Messages/Manifests (iii)	Specific Requirements for Registration (iv)	Tentative Date to Start Testing (v)
ASC – Authorized Sea Carriers	Shipping Lines and Shipping Agents	SAM, SDM, SEI, SDN		25.01.2020
ANC – Other Notified Carriers	Freight forwarders, NVOCC	CSN	National Surety Bond (Bond Code = '5B') as per Regulation 1A to be registered in System before approval of registration by officer	15.01.2020
ATO – Authorized Terminal Operators	Terminal Operators	Vessel related messaged (VCN, VE5PRO etc.), Container Loading/Landing Reports	Auto Approval – No requirement for officer approval.	15.01.2020

ACU Authorized Custodians	- CFS/ICD/Port Custodians	SF/ST, Actual time of Arrival/Departure	Auto Approval - No requirement for office approval. Requirement first to onboard ICEGATE MFTP (ref. ICES Advisory 14/2019 dt 12.06.2019).	15.01.2020
ATP Authorized Transhippers	- Transhippers executing the TP Bond and responsible for the cargo during transshipment	ASR, CIM-AR, CIM-DP		25.01.2020