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**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 01/2021**

Subject: Implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations (SCMTR), 2018 - reg...

Kind attention of all Port Terminals, Shipping lines, Shipping Agents, Transhippers, Custodians, Freight forwarders, Customs Brokers, Importers, Exporters, and other stakeholders is invited to the Circular No. 43/2020-Customs dated 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 on the implementation of Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations, 2018.

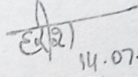
2. Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations (SCMTR), 2018 were notified vide **Notification No 38/2018-Customs (N.T.) dated 11.05.2018**. The SCMTR seek to bring about transparency, predictability of movement, advance collection of information for expeditious clearance and supersedes the earlier regulation viz. Import Manifest (Vessels) Regulations, 1971 and Export Manifest (Vessels) Regulations, 1976. The Regulations stipulate for advance notice by authorized carriers for goods arriving in or being exported out of India through gateway seaports and further movement between Customs stations. Based on the feedbacks from the various stakeholders, the changes were incorporated and the said regulations was made effective from 1<sup>st</sup> of August, 2019 with transitional provisions under Regulation 15 till the 30<sup>th</sup> of September, 2020.

3. Considering disruptions caused due to COVID-19 Pandemic and non-readiness of stakeholders, Board had issued several **Notifications time to time and the last one being Notification No.50/2021-Customs (N.T.) dated 31.05.2021** vide which transitional provisions under Regulation 15(2) had been extended till 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 to enable submission of manifests under erstwhile regulations. However as per Regulation 15(1), mandatory filing of different declarations in the new format in a phased manner is provided for as per the Annexure A to **Circular No 43/2020-Customs dated 30 September 2020**.

4. The Board has decided that following messages by the Custodian i.e., Stuffing Message (SF), ASR Filing, DP Filing and AR filing by the Custodians and VCN message by the Terminal Operators will be **made mandatory w.e.f. 20th July 2021**. The detailed guidelines and FAQs for different categories of stakeholders are available on ICEGATE (<https://www.icegate.gov.in/SeaManifestRegulation.html>) and may be kindly referred to.

5. Further, Board vide Customs Notification No. 56/2021-Customs (N.T) dated 30.06.2021 has extended the transitional provisions of SCMTR till **31st July 2021** to enable carriers continue mandatory filing on parallel basis.

6. For any assistance in complying with SCMTR and for registration and filing of messages/manifests the stakeholders may approach to the Nodal Officer for SCMTR, 2018 at the respective Customs Commissionerates of Pune Zone.

  
14.07.2021

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2. All stakeholders via Notice Board.
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