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All Traders and Declaring Agents

**COMMON QUESTIONS ON CUSTOMS
DECLARATIONS/PROCEDURES: HELPLIST 5/2000**



I am pleased to list below the questions and answers for List 5/2000 :

- Q1 Are there any requirements as regards the information declared in permits to cover releases of Class II goods from Bonded Warehouses?
- A With the conversion of Class II yards into Bonded Warehouses, consignments unstuffed from Class II containers are first received into the stock of the Bonded Warehouses before they are released to you. Bonded Warehouse operators are making use of the House BL number and the “Total Outer Pack” units of quantity declared in TradeNet permits to keep track of the movements of the Class II consignments into and out of the warehouses. As such, the operators have been informed to notify their consignees of the House BL number and the “Total Outer Pack” units of quantity to be used so that the TradeNet permits could be correctly declared in advance before the consignee use it to claim the goods from the Bonded Warehouses. Please also note that the Place of Release declared in your permits should be the BW numbers of these Bonded Warehouses instead of the Class II yard codes which were previously used.
- Q2 I have a consignment of Liquor & Tobacco products under through Bill of Lading which would be unstuffed from a container in the FTZ and re-stuffed into another container for transshipment within the same FTZ. Am I required to take up a permit for this purpose?
- A You are required to take up a Pink Transshipment permit for the transshipment of the consignment if Liquor & Tobacco products are to be unstuffed from a container and re-stuffed into another container in the FTZ even if the goods would be transhipped from within the same FTZ. However, you would not be required to lodge a Bank Guarantee(BG) to cover the transshipment of the consignment.
- Q3 For export of high-duty cargo, the exporter is required to obtain the master’s endorsement on the export permit as proof that the goods have been delivered on board the vessel for export. Can I seek the assistance of the shipping agents to assist me in obtaining the master’s acknowledgement?
- A You may make the necessary arrangements to fax the permits over to the shipping agents for their assistance in obtaining the master’s acknowledgement. The boarding officers of the respective shipping company can then pick up the faxed copies of the permits and deliver them to the vessel for the master’s endorsement. Endorsement made on clear faxed copy of the export permits would be accepted by Customs as proof that the goods have been delivered on board the vessel for export.

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