

All Traders and Declaring Agents

**COMMON QUESTIONS ON CUSTOMS DECLARATIONS/PROCEDURES :
HELPLIST 19**

I am pleased to list below the questions and answers for List 19:

Q1	I would like to remove waste oil from a vessel anchored at the territorial waters of Singapore into Customs territory for disposal. What permit should I apply?
A	The disposal of waste oil in Singapore can only be carried out by a contractor licensed by the Ministry of Environment. The shipping agent should act as the importer and apply for a pure Customs Inward permit (IN) for the removal of the waste oil from the vessel to the place of disposal in the Customs territory. The declaration purpose should be "D" and the place of receipt declared as "Dump" with the name and address of the licensed contractor indicated beside it.
Q2	For imports through unmanned places such as the Jurong Marine Base (JMB) or Loyang Offshore Base (LOB), does the validity period of the IG permits include Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays?
A	The validity period for such IG permits is two working days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays. Such permits are processed on-line during normal office hours. If you wish to take delivery of goods from such places during the weekends or public holidays, please declare the relevant permit on the previous working day for Customs to approve during normal office hours.
Q3	My racing car was previously imported under a Customs Inward permit (II) for inspection by the Land Transport Authority (LTA). Approval has been given by LTA to import the car for racing purposes only. I will be trucking out the car from LTA's inspection centre to my own premises. What type of permit should I declare?
A	Please declare a pure Customs Duty Exemption/GST Payment permit (EZ) with the declaration purpose = "TO"; the place of release = "O" (LTA) and place of receipt = "VEHRAC". The previous II permit number must be declared in the EZ permit in the field 'Previous permit number' for cross-reference. The 'country of origin' should be keyed-in at the detail level and not the header level. Please fax LTA's approval letter to the Permits Officer, Documentation Branch at Fax No. 2509606 with the transaction number of your declaration written at the top right

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