

Frequently Asked Questions - Strategic Goods

<p>Q1</p> <p>A</p>	<p>Can we obtain a strategic goods permit during the downtime period for my shipment of strategic goods out of Singapore?</p> <p>Singapore Customs has issued advance information on the downtime periods. We seek the cooperation of traders and declaring agents to take their permits early to avoid these periods. For further information and advice on the matter, please contact our Trade Control Branch at 6337 5996 or email us at customs_stgc@customs.gov.sg. You can also fax your enquiries to us at 6355 2156.</p>
<p>Q2</p> <p>A</p>	<p>We have submitted a strategic goods permit just before the downtime. How can I check if the application is being processed?</p> <p>Each permit application will take on average of 3 working days to process. Please contact Trade Control Branch at 6337 5996 to check on your application status.</p>
<p>Q3</p> <p>A</p>	<p>We have earlier been issued an Import Certificate (IC). We have not applied for a permit for the shipment yet. Can we import the goods based on the IC earlier issued?</p> <p>All imports must be covered by the relevant permits. Failure to obtain the relevant permit is an offence under the law. The IC cannot be used in lieu of the permit. Please contact Trade Control Branch at 6337 5996 for further information on the export of strategic goods under an IC.</p>
<p>Q4</p> <p>A</p>	<p>I have queries about the import of CWC-controlled items. Who should we contact?</p> <p>Please contact NA(CWC) at 6775 5137 or email us at customs_nacwc@customs.gov.sg.</p>
<p>Q5</p> <p>A</p> <p>A</p>	<p>What are the deadlines for ceasing to use TN3.1 and using TN4.0 for declaring strategic goods?</p> <p><u>Import and Export of CWC-controlled items</u> There will be no parallel run for permits applications for the import or export of CWC-controlled items. Traders are advised to continue to submit their permit applications for CWC-controlled items through TN3.1 up to 16 November 2007 and use TN4.0 from 19 November 2007 immediately after the downtime.</p> <p><u>Export, Transshipment and Bringing in Transit of Strategic Goods</u> Traders who are engaged in the export, transshipment and bringing in transit of strategic goods are encouraged to submit their permit applications through TN 4.0 from 19 November 2007.</p>
<p>Q6</p> <p>A</p>	<p>We have an approved permit declared via TN3.1 and are currently awaiting the arrival of the conveyance in Singapore so as to ship the strategic goods out of Singapore. Can we continue to hold on to this permit or will it cease to be valid on implementation of TN4.0?</p> <p>Your TN3.1 permit should be utilised by 14 December 2007. Otherwise, please cancel the permit by 29 November 2007 and submit a new application using TN 4.0.</p>