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**Traders and Declaring Agents** 

Dear Sir/Madam

#### CHANGES TO THE STRATEGIC GOODS CONTROL LIST AND THE LIST OF ITEMS REQUIRING MANDATORY TRANSHIPMENT AND TRANSIT PERMITS UNDER THE FOURTH AND FIFTH SCHEDULES OF THE STRATEGIC GOODS (CONTROL) REGULATIONS

#### Update to the Strategic Goods Control List

Singapore Customs would like to inform you that the **Strategic Goods** (Control) (Amendment) Order 2022 has been gazetted on 1 August 2022 and will come into effect from 1 October 2022.

2 The Strategic Goods (Control) (Amendment) Order 2022 brings Singapore's Strategic Goods (Control) Order 2021 ("SGCO 2021") up to date with the 2021 Wassenaar Arrangement's Munitions List, and the 2021 European Union's List of Dual-Use Items ("EUDL"). The EUDL contains dual-use items controlled by the four multilateral export control regimes (the Australia Group, the Missile Technology Control Regime, the Nuclear Suppliers Group and the Wassenaar Arrangement).

3 The Strategic Goods (Control) (Amendment) Order 2022 will incorporate revisions such as new controls, as well as editorial changes for consistency and clarity of controls. You may access the SGCO 2021 via our website at <u>www.customs.gov.sg</u> > Businesses > Strategic Goods Control > Strategic Goods Control List. A document on the amendments can be found via our website at <u>www.customs.gov.sg</u> > Businesses > Strategic Goods Control > Resources.

# Amendment to the Strategic Goods (Control) Regulations

4 As part of our continuous efforts to enhance Singapore's strategic goods control system, Singapore Customs has reviewed the Fourth and Fifth Schedules of the Strategic Goods (Control) Regulations (SGCR).

5 We would like to inform that the Fourth and Fifth Schedules of the SGCR have been updated to include new items. The changes will take effect from **1 October 2022**. We have listed the category codes of these new items in **ANNEX A**. Please refer to the Fourth and Fifth Schedules of the SGCR for the full list of items (by their category codes) where permit exemptions under Regulation 13(2) of the SGCR do not apply. If you wish to refer to the detailed item descriptions of these category

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codes, you may refer to the SGCO 2021 via our website at <u>www.customs.gov.sg</u> > Businesses > Strategic Goods Control > Strategic Goods Control List.

6 We would also like to remind you that strategic goods permits are also required if the goods you are transhipping or bringing in transit are not listed under the Fourth and Fifth Schedules of the SGCR but are known, suspected or that you have been informed that they are intended or likely to be used, wholly or in part, for or in connection with the production or development of Weapons of Mass Destruction.

7 In addition, you need to observe any other controls and prohibitions made under other domestic legislations including the prohibitions made under the Regulation of Imports and Exports Regulations that gives effect to the United Nations Security Council Resolutions.

8 You are also reminded that under Regulation 3 of the SGCR, the person who transfers the strategic goods or issues the through bill of lading or through air waybill, or the person acting on his behalf, should ensure that a permit application is submitted at least 5 working days prior to shipment date (from Singapore) for single-use permit and at least 2 months in advance for bulk permits with a complete set of supporting documents for the transfer of strategic goods. This would allow ample time for assessment by Singapore Customs and avoid last minute shipment delays.

9 If you have any further enquiries, clarifications or feedback, please email to <u>customs\_stgc@customs.gov.sg</u>.

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Yours faithfully

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# ADDITIONAL CATEGORY CODES LISTED UNDER THE FOURTH AND FIFTH SCHEDULES UNDER REGULATION 13 (2) OF THE STRATEGIC GOODS (CONTROL) REGULATIONS (SGCR)

- 6A102
- 6A108
- 6B008
- 7A004
- 7A005
- 7A006
- 7A104
- 7A105
- 7A106
- 7A116
- 7A117
- 7B001
- 7B002
- 7B003

# Extract of Regulation 13(2) of the SGCR:

#### Exemption

13. - (2) Section 5(1)(a) shall not apply to --

(a) the transhipment of any goods listed in Parts 1 and 2 of the Schedule to the SG Order, <u>other than</u> those specified in the **Fourth Schedule**, if —

(i) the goods are taken into one or more free trade zones immediately after they have been brought into Singapore;

(ii) the goods remain at all times in a free trade zone, or remain in 2 or more free trade zones except when the goods are being transferred from one free trade zone to another, before they are brought out of Singapore; and

(iii) the total period in which they remain in the free trade zone or free trade zones is no more than —

(A) 45 days if they are brought into Singapore by water; or

(B) 21 days if they are brought into Singapore by air; or

(b) the bringing in transit of any goods listed in Parts 1 and 2 of the Schedule to the SG Order, <u>other than</u> those specified in the **Fifth Schedule**, if the period in which the goods remain in transit is no more than —

- (i) 45 days if they are brought into Singapore by water; or
- (ii) 21 days if they are brought into Singapore by air.

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