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All Traders and Declaring Agents



REMOVAL OF SHUTOUT NON-DUTIABLE GOODS FROM FREE TRADE ZONE (FTZ)

Currently, traders are not required to apply for a Customs Inward Permit for removal of shutout non-dutiable goods from a Free Trade Zone (FTZ) back to their premises, if the removal is made on the same day of delivery of the goods into the port. We have received some feedback from the trading community, and are facilitating the clearance of shutout cargo by extending the grace period for removal of goods without a permit. With immediate effect, no Customs Permit is required for removal of shutout non-dutiable goods from an FTZ, including Changi FTZ, if:

- a the removal is made **within 24 hours** (instead of within the same day) of entry of the goods into the FTZ;
- b the goods are not earlier released from a bonded warehouse; and
- c the goods are not previously imported under temporary import.

2 Please note that the following documents are to be produced to the Customs at the Checkpoint for removal of shutout non-dutiable goods without a Customs Permit:

- a A letter from the exporter or his agent explaining the reasons for taking delivery of the shutout goods. The details of the goods are to be stated in the letter; and
- b Shipper's Note, PSA/Warehouse Delivery Note and other supporting documents.

3 Please contact the Customs Call Centre on telephone number 3552000 followed by (*) (0) if you need further clarification.

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