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All Traders and Declaring Agents

ADVISORY: PROPER USE OF PERMITS INVOLVING INTER-GATEWAY MOVEMENT

Singapore Customs wishes to draw your attention to the following types of TradeNet® permits used for inter-gateway movement of goods:

- a) Message Type “Transshipment / Movement” (TNP) with Declaration Type “Inter-Gateway Movement (IGM)” or “Thru Transshipment with Inter-Gateway Movement (TTI)”;
- b) Message Type “In-Non-Payment” (INP) with Declaration Type “Re-Export (REX)” or “Storage in FTZ (SFZ)”;
- c) Message Type “Outward” (OUT) with Declaration Type “Direct (with or without CO) (DRT)”.

If inter-gateway movement is involved, the above permit types will be issued with the “AX” permit condition as described below:

Permit Condition	Description
AX	Goods released from the 1 st Customs Checkpoint must be produced at the 2 nd Checkpoint within 24 hours. Otherwise, they must be stored at a place approved by a proper Officer of Customs.

2 We have observed certain non-compliance involving the above permit types, such as using the permits to temporarily import goods or manipulating the goods (e.g. labeling) en route to the place of receipt. In this regard, we would like to remind traders and declaring agents on the compliance requirements relating to these permit types. Besides complying with the “AX” permit condition, traders and declaring agents should take note that:

- The permit should be used only for movement of goods from the place of release to the place of receipt as declared in the permit;
- No manipulation of the goods is allowed en route (e.g. re-packing, sorting or labeling of goods);
- Permits cannot be used for temporary importation or other purposes (even if it is within 24 hours); and
- The goods must be produced for the customs clearance at the place of release and place of receipt as declared in the permit.

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by assuring the integrity of the trading system*

3 We would like to highlight that any non-compliance with our conditions is an offence and traders and declaring agents may be subjected to penalties and recovery of duty and/or GST for goods brought into Singapore under these permits.

4 A list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) is at Annex A for your reference. If you require further clarifications, please contact Singapore Customs Call Centre at Tel: 6355 2000 for assistance.



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FAQs - PROPER USE OF PERMITS INVOLVING INTER-GATEWAY MOVEMENT

Q1. I declared a TradeNet® permit under Message Type “In-Non-Payment” (INP) with Declaration Type “Re-Export (REX)” for my consignment of garments. However, I would like to pick up some other goods from my local warehouse in customs territory before I proceed to the 2nd checkpoint. Am I allowed to do so?

Reply: Yes. You can pick up other goods en route before proceeding to the 2nd checkpoint. However, please note that these additional goods should be covered by the appropriate permit(s) and these goods and related permits should be produced to the 2nd checkpoint for the appropriate clearance. Please take note that the goods released from the 1st checkpoint are required to be produced to the 2nd checkpoint for clearance within 24 hours. Please also be reminded that there should be no manipulation of the goods (as declared in the permit) en route to the 2nd checkpoint.

Q2. I declared a TradeNet® permit under Message Type “Transshipment / Movement” (TNP) with Declaration Type “Inter-Gateway Movement (IGM)” for my consignment of sports footwear to be moved from Changi Free Trade Zone (1st Checkpoint) to Keppel Free Trade Zone (2nd Checkpoint) for export. However, I was informed that the vessel berthing at the Keppel Free Trade Zone (2nd Checkpoint) will be delayed. Can I store the goods temporarily in my local warehouse in customs territory?

Reply: If the sports footwear need to be stored in a local warehouse pending export, you have to declare a TradeNet® permit under Message Type “In-Payment” (IPT) with Declaration Type “GST (including exemption)” as sports footwear previously declared under a TradeNet® permit under Message Type “Transshipment / Movement” (TNP) cannot be stored in a local warehouse. Thereafter, the appropriate TradeNet® permit under Message Type “Out” needs to be taken up for export of the sports footwear.

Alternatively, the sports footwear can be stored at a place approved by a proper Officer of Customs, i.e. a Zero GST warehouse. For storage in a Zero GST warehouse, you will need to declare another TradeNet® permit under Message Type “In-Non-Payment” (INP) with Declaration Type “Approved Premises/Schemes”. Thereafter, the appropriate TradeNet® permit under Message Type “Out” with Declaration Type “Approved Premises/Schemes” needs to be taken up for export of the sports footwear.

Q3. I declared a TradeNet® permit under Message Type “In-Non-Payment” (INP) with Declaration Type “Re-Export (REX)” for my consignment of air cooler parts to be moved from Keppel Free Trade Zone (1st Checkpoint) to Jurong Free Trade Zone (2nd Checkpoint) for export. Is there a need for me to produce the air cooler parts for clearance at both checkpoints?

Reply: Yes, you are required to produce the consignment of air cooler parts for customs clearance / examination / endorsement at the place of release (1st Checkpoint) and place of receipt (2nd Checkpoint) as declared in the permit.