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# CUSTOMS ACT (CHAPTER 70)

# CUSTOMS (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 143(1) of the Customs Act, the Minister for Finance makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations are the Customs (Amendment) Regulations 2020 and come into operation on 1 July 2020.

### Amendment of regulation 12

- 2. Regulation 12 of the Customs Regulations (Rg 2) is amended
  - (a) by deleting the word "Whenever" in paragraph (1) and substituting the words "Without affecting the application of section 27 of the Act in relation to any customs duty or excise duty chargeable on dutiable goods, when";
  - (b) by deleting the words "the proper officer of customs" in paragraph (1)(a) and (b) and substituting in each case the words "a proper officer of customs";
  - (c) by inserting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (1)(a);
  - (d) by deleting the word "; and" at the end of paragraph (1)(b) and substituting a full-stop;
  - (e) by deleting sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (1); and
  - (f) by deleting paragraphs (2) and (3) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- "(2) Upon the applicable requirements in paragraph (1) being satisfied, the proper officer of customs may authorise the removal of the goods, subject to any condition that the proper officer of customs considers necessary.
- (3) The owner of the goods removed under this regulation or the owner's agent must, if so required by the proper officer of customs, produce evidence that the goods have been deposited in the other Government warehouse or licensed warehouse.".

### Amendment of regulation 13

- **3.** Regulation 13 of the Customs Regulations is amended
  - (a) by deleting the words "Whenever the owner of any dutiable goods is desirous of removing the whole or part of such goods from a Government warehouse or licensed warehouse for export or re-export, as the case may be, he shall personally or by his agent" in paragraph (5) and substituting the words "Without affecting the application of section 27 of the Act in relation to any customs duty or excise duty chargeable on dutiable goods, when the owner of dutiable goods is desirous of removing the whole or part of the goods from a specified place of storage and bringing the goods out of the customs territory, whether on a vessel or any other form of conveyance, the owner must personally or by the owner's agent";
  - (b) by deleting the words "the proper officer of customs" in paragraph (5)(a) and (b) and substituting in each case the words "a proper officer of customs";
  - (c) by inserting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (5)(a);
  - (d) by deleting the word "; and" at the end of paragraph (5)(b) and substituting a full-stop;
  - (e) by deleting sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (5);
  - (f) by deleting paragraphs (6) and (7) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- "(6) Upon the applicable requirements in paragraph (5) being satisfied, the proper officer of customs may authorise the removal of the goods, subject to any condition that the proper officer of customs considers necessary.
- (7) The owner of the goods removed under this regulation or the owner's agent must, if so required by the proper officer of customs, produce evidence that the goods have been removed from the customs territory."; and
- (g) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (9), the following paragraph:
  - "(10) In this regulation, "specified place of storage" means a Government warehouse, licensed warehouse, customs office, customs station or any other place approved by the Director-General in writing under section 52 of the Act.".

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