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Sub: Procedure for dealing with import laden containers at Docks-Reg

Representations have been received from Importers/ Shipping Liners/Agents/Custom Brokers expressing concern over the practice being followed in the Port Terminals in respect of import laden containers found with mis match of seals/broken seals.

2. The import laden containers, on arrival from the vessel are kept in the respective Port terminals and subsequently they are moved to CFSs/ICD as per the discretion of importers/liners as the case may be. Such containers are loaded in the truck and arrive at the exit gate of the port terminal for verification of container number and seal nos against BL/EIR copy by the Customs Officers on duty. After verification of the same, those containers are allowed to move towards the respective CFS. However, in case of seal mis match, it is reported that the officers on duty are insisting for the written approval of the Deputy Commissioner(Docks) and because of this practice, the already loaded container on trucks are off loaded again in the terminal and kept there till the written approval of the Deputy Commissioner is obtained, which causes unwanted hardships to the importers and to the terminal operators.

3. The issue was examined and it is decided to dispense with the existing practice being adopted in the Docks insisting for the written approval of the proper officer of customs. Whenever, import laden containers are found with mis matched seals or broken seals, it has to be invariably sealed with Customs Seal by the Docks Officers and sent for scanning immediately without insisting for any written/oral permission from the AC/DC (Docks) or demanding any letter from the shipping Liners concerned. Based on the result of the scanning, the officers at CFS/ICD shall initiate appropriate action.

4. The above simplified procedure comes into practice with immediate effect and difficulties if any, may be brought to the notice of this office.



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