



OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (NS-III)
CONTAINER SCANNING DIVISION,
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F. NO. S/V-30/MISC-122/2010 CSD JNCH

Date: 28.07.2023

STANDING ORDER No.15 /2023

**Subject: Procedure for Sealing of Containers Marked as Suspicious
Consequent upon Scanning with Customs Seal-reg.**

It is brought to the notice of the Importers, General Trade, Port Terminal Operators, Transporters, Shipping Lines/Shipping Agents, CFSs under the jurisdiction of JNCH, Nhava Sheva and all other stakeholders that instances of pilferage/removal/replacement of goods from containers (especially marked as suspicious by CSD officers) en route to CFS from respective scanning points (DTCS or MXCS) have been brought to the knowledge of this office. Therefore, as a preventive measure, it is brought to the notice of all the concerned that with effect from 01.08.2023 all the containers marked as suspicious consequent upon scanning by CSD officers shall be sealed with Customs Seal before allowing these containers to leave the respective scanning points .

2. Detailed procedure for implementation of the aforesaid measure shall be as under:

2.1 CSD officer posted at out gate of the respective scanner shall ensure the sealing of container marked as suspicious consequent upon scanning with customs seal (customs bottle seal shall be affixed on the right door of the container or at such places so that container cannot be opened without cutting the customs bottle seal) before allowing the container to move out of the scanning premises/points. In case of ISO tanks which have been marked suspicious consequent upon scanning, shall be sealed with strip seals/punch seals as the customs bottle seals cannot be affixed in ISO tanks.

2.2 If all the points of the containers or ISO tanks are already sealed with private/commercial seal and there is no place left in the container to affix the customs bottle seal/strip seal/punch seal, concerned CSD Officer shall cut one of the private/commercial seals and affix the customs bottle seal/strip seal/punch seal in place of the same. However, before cutting the private/commercial seal, CSD Officer will inform the concerned CHA/Importer/Shipping Line through the driver/transporter of vehicle carrying the container about the seal cutting and will ask for presence of their representative at the time of seal cutting. The concerned CHAs/Importers/Shipping Lines/Agents are required to convey their confirmation to the concerned CSD officer through letter/mail whether they want to remain present at the time of seal cutting or they have no objection if the same is cut in their absence.


2.3 CSD officer shall mention the time as well as customs bottle seal/strip seal/punch seal number on the EIR copy while endorsing the result of scanning on it.

2.4 Respective CFS shall either manually or digitally maintain records of entry time of all such containers which have been marked as suspicious by the CSD Officers and shall also provide such report to the Assistant/Deputy Commissioner (Docks) on daily basis.

2.5 Respective Assistant/Deputy Commissioner (Docks) shall verify the time mentioned in the EIR copy with the records maintained by CFS regarding entry time of a particular container which has been marked as suspicious by the CSD officers. Respective Assistant/Deputy Commissioner (Docks) shall also track the movement of the container through the website of Logistics Data Bank i.e. ldb.co.in. While tracking/verifying/examining the movement as well as time taken by a particular container marked as suspicious to reach the destined CFS, if respective Assistant/Deputy Commissioner (Docks) notices any conspicuous/unusual movement or time difference, he/she shall ask the concerned CHA/Importer/Shipping Line for explanation/reason for such unusual movement of container and delay in reaching the container to destined CFS from respective scanning point.

2.6 If the concerned CHA/Importer/Shipping Line fails to provide the plausible reason for such unusual movement or delay, respective Assistant/Deputy Commissioner (Docks) shall refer the matter to SIIB (Import) for detailed investigation of the issue.

3. In case of any difficulty, the specific issue may be brought to the notice of ADC/JC, NS-III (email address: csd.jnch@gov.in).


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1. The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Mumbai Zone-II, JNCH, for information.
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