

**OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT)**

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**Subject:** Instructions on scanning of containers passing through gateway port Nhava Sheva- in partial modification to [Facility Notice no. 13/2008](#) dated 4<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2008 -reg:

It has been noticed that some containers selected for scanning are not presented for scanning and are being taken directly to the respective CFS without scanning. This non-reporting of the selected containers to the scanners is defeating the very purpose of the scanning in the heightened National Security scenario. Further, there is a need to ensure that the containers whose images are found to be *prima facie* suspicious are not cleared without obtaining NOC from Container Scanning Division.

2. Hence in partial modification of [Facility Notice no. 13/2008](#) dated 4<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2008 and other instructions/Notices issued on scanning, the following

procedure will be followed notwithstanding anything contrary to the same contained in earlier notices issued in respect of scanning of containers.

3. It is hereby notified for information to all concerned that **once a container is selected for scanning, it will not be exempted from scanning**. In case of non-functioning of scanners, /Over-weight or Odd Dimensional Containers (ODC), the Customs Officer manning the concerned scanner will endorse the EIR copy on reverse with stamp. The concerned CFS will submit a list of such *NOT SCANNED* containers on the next working day to the Container Scanning Division. Such containers can be examined by Docks officers posted at the concerned CFS. The percentage of such examination is to be decided by the AC/DC in charge of the concerned CFS. The details/findings of such containers are to be communicated to the Container Scanning Division by the AC/DC docks on next working day. Thereafter, NOC from Container Scanning Division may be obtained for such containers. In case, the number of such *NOT SCANNED* stamped containers is very high, Container Scanning Division may waive the requirement of granting of NOC to such containers after getting approval from Additional Commissioner of Customs, Container Scanning Division.

4. If a container is not selected in the first scanning list for a particular IGM but gets selected after reaching the concerned CFS, on the basis of any amendment subsequently filed for that particular IGM, such containers can be cleared through either of the two under mentioned procedures:

- a. The container can be brought back for scanning to the Relocatable scanner located at CWC Distripark with the seal intact, and prior to giving out of charge; OR
- b. NOC from Container Scanning Division may be obtained.

5. In order to eliminate the procedural delay in intimating the concerned CFSs regarding containers found to be *prima facie* suspicious, the following procedure is to be followed:

The Equipment Interchange Receipt (EIR) of such suspicious containers shall be endorsed with remarks *Scanned/Subject to clearance by DC/CSD*. After scrutinizing such images, the DC/ Container Scanning Division will:

- a. either issue NOC after scrutiny of BE details/Examination of goods (vis-a vis image) by Container Scanning Division officers.  
*or*

- b. mark such containers for examination by Docks officers posted at concerned CFSs by following the normal Customs procedure. In such cases, NOC is not required from Container Scanning Division.

6. The CFSs are to inform the scanning status of each container to the AC/DC docks by way of marking the same as (i) Container Scanned, OR (ii) Container selected for scanning but Not Scanned OR (iii) Container Scanned, Subject to clearance from DC/CSD on the seal cutting document.

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