

**PROCEDURES CIRCULAR
NO. (15) FOR THE YEAR 2022**

With reference to:

- The Customs Law No. 207 for the year 2020.
- The Executive Regulation of the Customs Law promulgated by Ministerial decree No. 430 for the year 2021.
- The Approval of the Minister of Finance dated 29/8/2022 regarding allowing maritime agencies to transfer and store imported shipments from abroad with unfulfilled bank procedures to the customs warehouses established outside ports and dry ports in their names according to the stipulated terms and procedures. In case transfer in the name of the maritime agencies according to the documents could not be made, the transfer shall be made in the name of the importer with the undertaking of the customs not to complete the final release procedures for these shipments except after the submission of the release order issued by the maritime agent and completion of all remaining necessary documents in that regard.

The implementation of following mechanism shall be adhered to in execution to the approval of the Minister of Finance as follows:

First: In cases of imported shipments from abroad with no issued delivery orders, the following shall be carried out:

- 1- The consignee or his representative shall apply before the maritime agent so that the maritime agent transfers the shipment to the customs licensed warehouses located outside the ports according to the usual customs procedures for storage by virtue of an application (transit certificates) and storage application in the name of the maritime agent and on his responsibility without prejudice to the responsibility of the owner of the cargo and according to the customs accepted guarantees.
- 2- No procedure shall be made on the transferred cargo to warehouses located outside for final release except after the issuance of the delivery order to the cargo owner.

Second: In case of imported shipments from abroad with issued delivery order that has been registered in logbook No.46 by virtue of Customs Declaration where procedures have been commenced and awaiting some necessary procedures for release, the following shall be carried out:

- 1- In case the consignee wishes to transfer these shipments to one of the warehouses established outside ports and dry ports, the consignee shall apply requesting the cancellation of the open customs declaration with a valid receipt and submit a storage application in its name outside the port with virtue of transit certificate according to the provisions of Article (124) of the Executive Regulations of the Customs Law No. 207 for the year 2020 promulgated by the Decree of the Minister of Finance No. 430 for the year 2021 in its name, on his responsibility and pursuant to the provided guarantee; or apply before the maritime agent to undertake the responsibility of the transfer to the warehouses located outside the ports in the name of the agent, on his responsibility and accordingly to customs accepted guarantees after cancellation of the opened customs declaration with a valid receipt.

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- 2- Upon opening a new customs declaration at the warehouses, MTS shall, via Nafeza platform, look into providing automated processing that allows transfer of electronic data of the shipment documents with the ACID and the conformity certificates issued by the inspection authorities, the release approvals from the security authorities and other regulatory authorities previously obtained by virtue of the customs declaration that has been cancelled to the new customs declaration so long as the customs declaration is in the name of the same importer and under the same import system so that the competent customs coordinate with these authorities to enlist the new customs declaration number on the conformity certificates and previously issued inspection to the same shipment or according to the decision of the regulatory authority in that respect.

The above has been sent for your kind knowledge and to be thoroughly implemented.

Kind regards,

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