

Procedure for importation and Sale of Computer Colour Printers/ Scanners/ Colour Photocopying Machines and All in One unit

The Ministry of Defence, Public Security and Law and Order has published its new regulations on the procedure to be followed by Customs in the importation of Computer Colour Printers/Scanners and Colour Photocopying Machines.

01. Procedure for importation by individuals

- 1.1 Sri Lanka Customs should maintain a Data Base on all such imports
- 1.2 Sri Lanka Customs should submit a monthly report of all such imports to the Ministry of Defence, Public Security and Law and Order with a copy to the CID (Criminal Investigation Department).
- 1.3 The Report should include the following details:
 - 1.3.1 Name of the Passenger/Individual
 - 1.3.2 N.I.C. No. of the Passenger/Individual
 - 1.3.3 Address of the Passenger/Individual
 - 1.3.4 Where the item will be located
 - 1.3.5 Details of the Equipment
 - 1.3.5.1 Type and Model
 - 1.3.5.2 Serial No.

02. Importation of Colour Photocopy Machines for showroom/demonstration purposes

- 2.1 Vendor Association Members are authorized to import 02 machines for each showroom / demonstration through the approval of the controller of Import/Export and subjected to following conditions:
 - 2.1.1 The machine should be kept with the vendor till the sale is finalized.
 - 2.1.2 Prior to the sale of the item, a security clearance to be obtained from the Ministry of Defence, Public Security and Law and Order about the concern of the customer and a separate detailed report to be submitted to the CID.

03. Procedure to be followed in the importation and sale of "all in one" units

- 3.1 The same procedure for the importation and sale of computer colour printer and scanner will be applicable. However, after obtaining the approval from the MOD the importer should have a separate approval from the Controller of Imports/Exports.
- 3.2 In addition to the details furnished to the CID on the customer, after the sale, all details of the "All in One" Unit should be furnished to the Controller Imports/Exports.
- 3.3 No further approval will be granted unless the information of the previous imports have been submitted.

04. The following procedure should be adopted when releasing consignments in future

- 4.1 If the importer is a registered company, should obtain approval from the MOD for the importation of the consignment indicating all the details.

05. General

- 5.1 No restriction has been imposed on the black and white printer, scanners or all in one units.
- 5.2 The transferring of the ownership of the colour printer scanner or All in One Unit should not be done prior informing the CID on the new user.
- 5.3 HS Code 8443.39.01 remains unchanged where All in One Units are currently classified.
- 5.4 DPI (Dots per Inch) restrictions for colour printers scanners and Copiers will no longer be applicable.
- 5.5 All instructions issued by the MOD in this regard prior to this will be annulled.