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PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL

Government Notifications

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS CONTROL ACT, No. 1 OF 1969

IN terms of the powers vested in me by Section 20 read together with Sub-Section 4(1) and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies promulgate following Regulations.

RANIL WICKREMESINGHE,
Minister of Finance, Economic
Stabilization and National Policies.

Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,
Colombo 01,
March 15, 2024.

Regulations

1. These Regulations may be cited as the “Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 05 of 2024”.
2. These Regulations are issued as per the decision of the Cabinet of Ministers dated February 26, 2024, on the Memorandum No. 24/0309/628/018 dated February 07, 2024, submitted by the Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation read together with the Observations of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies dated February 26, 2024, on the said Memorandum.



3. Regulation Nos. 3.1 and 3.2, of this *Gazette* hereinafter set out, are issued as integral parts of the Regulations of the Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 02 of 2023, published in the *Gazette* No. 2312/78 dated January 01, 2023, as amended.

3.1 Notwithstanding the Regulation No. 4 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 02 of 2023, referred above, importation of goods as described in the Schedule below shall be allowed by the Director General of Sri Lanka Customs on recommendation of the Chief Accounting Officer of the respective Ministry in charge of the subject, subject to other prevailing Rules and Regulations applicable on importation of motor vehicles, classified under the HS Chapter 87.

HS Code	Description	Number of Units	Importer / Consignee
8703.21.54	Other, not more than two years old (Three Wheelers only)	05	Ministry of Women, Child Affairs and Social Empowerment
8704.22.61	Not more than five years old (Refuse Garbage Compactor Truck only)	01	M/s Airport and Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Pvt) Limited
8704.21.91	Other vehicles with separate bodies for cabin and cargo area, not more than four years old (Double Cabs only)	04	PALAM/A Project of the Ministry of Education
8703.40.71	Not more than three years old (07-Seater Motor Vehicle only)	01	M/s CHEC Port City Colombo (Pvt) Ltd

3.2 Notwithstanding the Regulation No. 4 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 02 of 2023 referred above, importation of motor vehicles by Government organizations as donation or as per the provisions of Project Agreements exclusively for the purpose of direct usage shall be allowed for Customs clearance by the Director General of Sri Lanka Customs on the approval of Controller General of Department of Imports and Exports Control, subject to recommendation of the Secretary to the Treasury.

4. The Special Import License Regulations No. 01 of 2023, published in the *Gazette* No. 2312/77 dated January 01, 2023, as amended subsequently, is hereby further amended.

4.1 Notwithstanding the Regulation No. 9 of the Special Import License Regulations No. 01 of 2023, referred above, the Controller General of Imports and Exports shall issue Import Control License (ICL) for importation of Ambulances listed out in the **Schedule V** of the said Regulations, which are imported on "No Foreign Exchange (NFE)" basis for the purpose of direct usage of public or private hospitals, subject to recommendation of the Secretary to the Treasury.

5. To achieve the objectives of these Regulations, the Controller General of Imports and Exports shall issue "Operational Instructions" to the Director General of Customs, licensed banks or any other relevant authorities.

6. The final decision shall be made by the Controller General of Imports and Exports on any issues arising in relation to these Regulations.

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Operating Instructions 06/2024

Director General
Sri Lanka Customs

CEOs of all Licensed Banks

Dear Sir/ Madam

Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 05 of 2024

Following Operating Instructions are issued under the powers vested in Imports and Exports (Control) Act No. 1 of 1969, and in terms of Regulation No. 5 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 05 of 2024, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2376/14 dated March 19, 2024.

The Gazette Extraordinary No. 2376/14 dated March 19, 2024, has been published to amend Special Import License Regulations No. 01 of 2023, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2312/77 dated January 01, 2023, and Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 02 of 2023, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2312/78 dated January 01, 2023.

1. Director General of Sri Lanka Customs shall clear;
 - a) The following motor vehicles imported by the relevant institutions (Importer/Consignee) as specified in Regulation No. 3.1 of Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 05 of 2024;
 - i on the recommendation of the Chief Accounting Officer of the respective Ministry in charge of the subject and,
 - ii subject to other prevailing Rules and Regulations applicable on importation of motor vehicles, classified under the HS Chapter 87.

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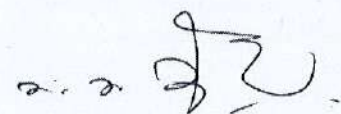
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- b) Motor vehicles imported by Government Organizations as donation or as per the provisions of Project Agreements in terms of the **Regulation No. 3.2** of Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 05 of 2024, on the approval of Controller General of Department of Imports and Exports Control,
- c) Ambulances imported on "No Foreign Exchange (NFE)" basis for the purpose of direct usage of public or private hospitals in terms of the **Regulation No. 4.1** of Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 05 of 2024, subject to a valid Import Control License (ICL) issued by the Controller General of Imports and Exports,
2. Licensed banks shall establish Letter of Credit (LC), release the documents and effect the payments relevant to the motor vehicles referred in above 1 (a) and (b).



T.T. Upulmalee Premathilaka
Controller General of Imports & Exports

Enclosures: Gazette Extraordinary 2376/14 dated March 19, 2024.

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1. The Governor, Central Bank of Sri Lanka: Grateful to issue specific directions to all commercial banks to implement the above instructions.