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Sub:- Amendment in CBLR, 2018 vide Notification No.62/2021-Customs (N.T.)-reg.

Attention of the Customs Brokers and other members of trade is invited to CBLR, 2018 which has been amended vide Notification No.62/2021-Customs (N.T.) dt. 23.07.2021. The Regulation 8 and 9 of the CBLR, 2018, may be read as under:

1. **Regulation 8. Execution of bond and furnishing of security.**—(1) Before granting the license under regulation 7, the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner of Customs shall require the successful applicant to enter into a bond in Form D and where specified a surety bond in Form E for due observance of these regulations and furnish a bank guarantee, or a postal security or National Saving Certificate or a fixed deposit receipt issued by a nationalised bank, in the name of the Principal Commissioner of Customs or Commissioner of Customs, as the case may be, for an amount of five lakhs rupees for carrying out the business as a Customs Broker.

(2) In cases where a postal security or National Saving Certificate or a fixed deposit receipt is furnished, the benefit of interest on the instrument shall accrue to the Customs Broker concerned.

2. **Regulation 8A. Surrender of License.** – (1) A licensee may surrender the license granted under Customs House Agents Licensing Regulations, 1984, the Customs House Agents Licensing Regulations, 2004, the Customs Brokers Licensing Regulations, 2013 or the Customs Brokers Licensing Regulations, 2018 through a written request to the Principal Commissioner of Customs or Commissioner of Customs who has issued the license, as the case may be.

(2) On receipt of the request under sub-regulation (1), the Principal Commissioner of Customs or Commissioner of Customs may revoke the license if, – (a) the licensee has paid all dues payable to the Central Government under the provisions of the Act, rules or regulations made thereunder; and (b) no proceedings are pending against the licensee under the Act or the rules or regulations made thereunder.”;

3. **Regulation 9. Period of validity of a license.** –(1) A license granted under Customs House Agents Licensing Regulations, 1984, the Customs House Agents Licensing Regulations, 2004, the Customs Brokers Licensing Regulations, 2013 or the Customs Brokers Licensing Regulations, 2018 shall be valid unless and until revoked in terms of provisions under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 8A or regulation 14.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained above, the license shall be deemed invalid, if the licensee is found to be inactive for a period of one year.


Explanation. - The term 'inactive' refers to a Customs Broker who does not transact any business pertaining to Customs during a period of one year excluding the period for which a license has been suspended under regulation 16.

(3) Subject to the provisions of regulation 7, the Principal Commissioner of Customs or Commissioner of Customs may, on an application made by the licensee in Form - I, after his license has been deemed invalid under sub-regulation (2), renew the license from the date of expiration, after satisfying himself that the applicant is otherwise eligible for grant of license under regulation 7 and upon payment of fee of fifteen thousand rupees by the Customs Broker within one month of the date of receipt of application.”;

4. In Form - A, under Declaration, for part (d), the following shall be substituted, namely: - “(d) The undersigned/the person proposed to be employed by me have been/have not been penalised, convicted or prosecuted under any of the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962), the Central Excise Act, 1944 (1 of 1944), and the Finance Act, 1994, the Central Goods and Services Act, 2017 (12 of 2017) and Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (13 of 2017).”;

5. That a new form “Form-I” has been inserted in CBLR, 2018 (attached in Annexure) in term of Regulation 9(3) of CBLR, 2018, for application by Customs broker to renew license.

6. It is stated that the aforesaid changes brought in through issue of Notification No.62/2021-Customs (N.T.) dt. 23.07.2021 and circular no. 17/2021-Customs dated 23.07.2021, intend to provide lifetime validity of the Customs Broker license. Further, the Customs brokers are required to renew and submit bonds in Form-D and where specified surety bond in Form-E along with renewed security deposit in form of Fixed Deposit/Postal Security/National Saving Certificate in terms of Regulation 8 of CBLR, 2018, in the name of Principal Commissioner or Commissioner of Customs. Hence, the Customs brokers are requested to submit the renewal intimations to the Principal Commissioner/Commissioner of customs well in advance along with bond/security as required under Regulation 8 of CBLR, 2018, to enable the department to implement the facility of lifetime validity of Customs broker license. Failure to renew the surety bond/security deposit, will entail the Customs broker license temporarily suspended/deactivated.


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Note:- The principal Regulation No. 41/2018 Customs (N.T) dt. 14.05.2018, as amended will follow.

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