


GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION

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, Anura Kumara Dissanayake, the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development promulgate following Regulations.


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Minister of Finance, Planning and
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Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,
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March 19, 2025

REGULATIONS

1. These Regulations may be cited as the “Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 03 of 2025”.
2. The Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 02 of 2013, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1804/17 dated April 03, 2013 is hereby amended.
3. The Regulation Nos. 5, 7 and 8.1 (iv) of the Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 02 of 2013, referred above are hereby substituted and read as follows;

“5. The stamp of the local bank that opened the letters of credit and that of the corresponding bank in the country of export shall be placed, on the original cancelled certificate of registration, its English translation and the documents referred to in regulation 3(a) or a copy of it and 3(b).

Provided that, upon receipt of the export inspection certificate (pre-inspection certificate) and condition report with a complete description of the vehicle including a list of accessories as specified in Regulation No. 3 (a) and (b) referred above, without placing the stamp of the corresponding bank in the country of export, license banks shall release such documents subject to;

- i. Documents being dispatched directly by the corresponding bank, and
- ii. Authenticity of the export inspection certificate and condition report with a complete description of the vehicle including a list of accessories being verified online through the respective inspection agency, by endorsing “Authenticity of this document has been verified” on the said documents.”

“7. Verification of Authenticity

7.1 The documents referred to in Regulation 3(a) and 3(b) shall form part of the documents hereinafter required for clearance of motor vehicle, by Sri Lanka Customs.

7.2 Director General of Sri Lanka Customs shall further ensure the authenticity of document received with an endorsement of License bank in terms of Regulation No. 5 above, through online verification, prior to Customs clearance of relevant motor vehicles.”

“8.1 (iv) For imports from all countries - Bureau Veritas (e-mail address : itd.sgp@sg.Bureauveritas.com)”

4. 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.
5. These regulations shall enter into force with effect from March 19, 2025.
6. These Regulations shall also be applicable for importation of motor vehicles under Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 02 of 2025, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2421/44 dated January 31, 2025, regardless of date of issuance of export inspection certificate.