

Ministry of Communications
Department of Telecommunications
Wireless Planning and Coordination (WPC) Wing
Sanchar Bhawan, New delhi-110001

File No. R-11018/06/2017-PP

Date: 23/09/2021

To

Chief Commissioner of Customs (CCPU, DZ) (Preventive)
New Customs House, Near I.G.I. Airport & Cargo Complex
New Delhi-110037.


Subject: Clarification i.r.t. Import of license-free wireless equipment- matter reg.

Sir,

Representation(s) has been received from the importer(s) of wireless equipment operating in the license-exempted frequency bands stating that Customs Authority is seeking Import license as issued by WPC Wing, DoT for import of such products; whereas, vide order dated 26.02.2019 (copy attached), such products, complying with the said order, are permitted to be imported based on an undertaking to be submitted to Customs Authority (generated from Saralsanchar).

2. In this regard it is intimated that a letter was issued from WPC Wing vide No. P-11014/04/2013-PP (Vol-I) dated 12.07.2021, requesting Customs authority to strictly enforce the provision of DGFT Import policy i.r.t. import of wireless equipment. However, it was not in suppression of any other order issued earlier from WPC Wing on the subject. Hence, any exemption from import licensing requirement from WPC Wing, granted earlier vide any order/ O.M. will continue to be applicable.

3. It is clarified that vide order dated 26.02.2019, the process of obtaining ETA certificate and subsequent import license was made simpler by making it under self-declaration mode. Under this, for any product complying with the Gazette Notifications w.r.t. license-exempt frequency use and falling under 'FREE' category of DGFT Import policy, ETA certificate could be obtained under self-declaration (from Saralsanchar portal) by fulfilling other procedural formalities. Import clearance of such products could be obtained by submitting an undertaking (generated from Saralsanchar) to the Customs authority along with the ETA Certificate (Please refer order dated 26.02.2019 for details). For such cases, no separate import license is required from WPC Wing.


(Ashim Dutta)
DWA

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1. M/s Vertel Digital India Pvt. Limited
2. Sr. DWA (ASMS), for uploading on website.

No. ETA-WPC/Policy/2018-19
Ministry of Communications
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WPC Wing
Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.

Dated, the 26th February, 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: ETA through self-declaration for certain categories of Wireless Equipment in license exempt bands.

This is with reference to Equipment Type Approval (ETA) requirement for certain categories of wireless equipment operating in license exempt bands with low transmission power which are exempted from import licensing requirement as per the import policy of DGFT.

2. ETA through self-declaration is permitted for commercial / finished products such as mobile / computing devices viz. as mobile handsets, smart phones, electronic notepads, laptops, Smart watches, Short Range Devices including accessories, microphones, speakers, headphones, earphones, printers, scanners, cameras etc., operating in licensed exemption bands as permitted in India. A self-declaration from importer / authorized Indian representative may be treated as sufficient evidence to process such clearances by the Customs and Central Excise Authorities. (self-declaration format is enclosed).

3. Import license requirements are as regulated by the Export and Import (EXIM) Policy of DGFT.

This is issued with the approval of Competent Authority.

M. Pathak
26/02/2019
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To

3. All Chief Commissioners of Customs / Customs (Prev.)
All Chief Commissioners of Customs and Central Excise
All Commissioner of Customs
All Commissioner of Customs and Central Excise

4. WPC Field Offices

Copy to:

- (iv) PPS to Secretary (T) / AS (T) / Member (T) / Member (S),
- (v) PPS to Secretary (MeitY)
- (vi) DoT Website

Annexed to **O.M. No. ETA-WPC/Policy/2018-19 dated 26th February, 2019** on ETA through self-declaration for certain categories of Wireless Equipment in license exempt bands.

Self-Declaration Format to be submitted by the importer / local representative

To whomsoever it may consider

I..... (Name & Designation) do hereby confirm that the consignment landed at (port) carrying AWB No..... consisting of following products exclusively operate in license exempt bands and comply with the technical parameters as notified by the Government vide Gazette Notification no..... dated.....

S.No.	Name of Equipment Manufacturer / Importer	Make & Model with S.No.	Frequency range of equipment	Output power of equipment	Remark

Further, I hereby undertake that

- (i) The test report, issued by accredited laboratory (Name)..... & (country).....of the product(s), attached is genuine and without any alteration;
- (ii) prescribed ETA fee of Rs. 10000/- per model has been paid through Bharat Kosh (<https://bharatkosh.gov.in>) vide receipt no..... dated.....;
- (iii) Consignment details, test reports and ETA fee payment details have been informed to WPC, DoT vide e-mail addressed to etselfdecl.wpc-dot@gov.in dated (Copy enclosed).
- (iv) I shall extend full cooperation to WPC Wing during any sample check / audit carried out for the purpose of RF analysis / spectrum monitoring in view to avoid interference to other wireless users.
- (v) the consignments contain wireless products which are exempted from import licensing requirement as per the import policy of DGFT;

Accordingly, the said consignment may please be released. We clearly understand that we are liable to be prosecuted under Indian law, in case of any wrong declaration.

Signature & Seal of importer/ **Authorized Indian Representative**

Name:

Address:

Contact No.: