

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

Dated, the 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2019

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Exemption of Equipment Type Approval (ETA) & Import for certain categories of Wireless Equipment operating in license exempt bands for testing/ Prototype sample units by self-declaration- Reg.**

In supersession to this Ministry letter no. R-1108/07/2017-PP dated 11/09/2018 and with reference to Equipment Type Approval (ETA) requirement for certain categories of wireless equipment operating in license exempt bands, following is decided:

2. ETA requirement is hereby exempted for test / prototype / sample / pre-launch devices in the categories of mobiles, laptops, electronic notepads, smart watches, Short Range Devices (including accessories), microphones, speakers, headphones, earphones, printers, scanners, cameras etc. and Test & Measurement equipment operating in license exempt 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 permitting number of units to the tune of 1000 (one thousand) per model (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.

  
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To

1. 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
2. WPC Field Offices

Copy to:

- (i) PPS to Secretary (T) / AS (T) / Member (T) / Member (S),
- (ii) PPS to Secretary (MeitY)
- (iii) DoT Website

**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 is being imported for the purpose of R&D / Testing / Demo / pre-launch /  
sample / Test & Measurement:

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

Further, I hereby undertake that

- (i) the sample devices operate in the license exempt bands ..... as  
exempted vide GoI gazette notification.....
- (ii) After completion of test/ prototype exercise, same equipments may be either  
exported back to the country of origin or destructed as per destruction  
guidelines of WPC Wing and these devices may not be sold in the Indian  
market.
- (iii) the Test & Measurement equipment is for the purpose of testing and  
development of the products.
- (iv) the consignments contain wireless products which are exempted from import  
licensing requirement as per the import policy of DGFT.
- (v) After release of consignment of these devices, details as tabled above, shall be  
submitted to WPC Wing, DOT vide e-mail addressed to  
[etasefdecl.wpc-dot@gov.in](mailto:etasefdecl.wpc-dot@gov.in) for record purpose.

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.: