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IMPORT AND EXPORT (REGISTRATION) (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 1998

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 31 of the Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60))

1. Export declarations

Regulation 5(3) of the Import and Export (Registration) Regulations (Cap. 60 sub. leg.) is amended by repealing "Only" and substituting "Unless the shipment relates to articles in respect of which a charge under regulation 8(1)(b) applies to some articles and a charge under regulation 8(1)(c) applies to other articles, only".

2. Charges payable on lodgement of declarations

Regulation 8(1) is amended---

(a) in subparagraph (aa)---

- (i) by repealing "33,000" wherever it appears and substituting "46,000";
- (ii) by repealing "35" and substituting "25";
- (iii) by repealing "and" at the end;

(b) by repealing subparagraph (b) and substituting---

"(b) in respect of any export declaration for articles for which the origin country code refers to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region---

(i) where the value of the article or the aggregate value of the articles specified in the declaration does not exceed \$46,000, a charge of---

- (A) \$13 if the declaration is lodged in accordance with regulation 6(a) or (b); or
- (B) 50 cents if the declaration is lodged in accordance with regulation 6(c);

(ii) where the value of the article or the aggregate value of the articles specified in the declaration exceeds \$46,000, a charge calculated at the rate of---

- (A) \$13 if the declaration is lodged in accordance with regulation 6(a) or (b); or
- (B) 50 cents if the declaration is lodged in accordance with regulation 6(c),

for the first 46,000 dollars' value and 25 cents for each additional 1,000 dollars' value or part thereof and rounded up to the nearest 10 cents; and

(c) in respect of any export declaration for articles other than those referred to in subparagraph (b)---

(i) where the value of the article or the aggregate value of the articles specified in the declaration does not exceed \$23,000, a charge of---

- (A) \$13 if the declaration is lodged in accordance with regulation 6(a) or (b); or
- (B) 50 cents if the declaration is lodged in accordance with regulation 6(c);

(ii) where the value of the article or the aggregate value of the articles specified in the declaration exceeds \$23,000, a charge calculated at the rate of---

- (A) \$13 if the declaration is lodged in accordance with regulation 6(a) or (b); or

(B) 50 cents if the declaration is lodged in accordance with regulation 6(c), for the first 23,000 dollars' value and 50 cents for each additional 1,000 dollars' value or part thereof. ";

(c) by adding---

"(1A) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(b), the origin country code shall, where a declaration is lodged in accordance with---

(a) regulation 6(a) or (b), be determined in accordance with the Imports and Exports Classification List;

(b) regulation 6(c), be determined in accordance with the Hong Kong Electronic Data Interchange Implementation Instructions for Import/Export Declarations. ".

3. Transitional

The Import and Export (Registration) Regulations (Cap. 60 sub. leg.), as amended by this Regulation, apply to shipments whose shipment date occurs on or after 1 August 1998.

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Explanatory Note

The purpose of this Regulation is to reduce the charge under the Import and Export (Registration) Regulations (Cap. 60 sub. leg.) in respect of all imports and in respect of exports originating from the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.