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Procedure for movement of goods under TIR Carnets-reg

The Customs Convention on International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets, 1975 (is an international transit system under the auspices of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE).

The Convention applies to the transport of goods without intermediate reloading, in road vehicles, combinations of vehicles or in containers, across one or more borders, between a Customs office of departure of one Contracting Party and a Customs office of destination of another or of the same Contracting Party, provided that some portion of the journey between the beginning and the end of the TIR transport is made by road.

The procedure at the Customs office of Departure is as follows

- (i) At the Customs office of departure, the Customs authorities shall check the cargo on the basis of information contained in the TIR Carnet completed by the transport operator. The Customs authorities shall then seal the load compartment, report it in the TIR Carnet, keep one sheet (white voucher) and fill-in the corresponding counterfoil. The TIR Carnet will then be handed back to the transport operator.
- (ii) When crossing the outgoing border of the country, Customs authorities shall check the seals, detach a second sheet (green voucher) from the TIR Carnet and fill-in the corresponding counterfoil.
- (iii) The filled-in counterfoils by Customs provide evidence to the transport operator that the TIR operation in that country has been terminated.
- (iv) The outgoing Customs office (i.e. that at the border) shall send the detached sheet (green voucher) to the office of departure within 7 days of the departure of the goods. The latter shall compare the received sheet with the one it initially retained. If there are no objections and no reservations by the outgoing office, the TIR operation may be discharged by Customs authorities in that country.
- (v) If the sheet, detached by the outgoing office, contains reservations or if it does not reach the Customs office of departure or if Customs authorities have any other reason to question the proper application of the TIR operation, an internal inquiry will be started. The transport operator and the NGA shall be informed that the termination of the TIR operation has been certified with reservations or has not taken place at all or that other reasons have led to doubts about the proper application of the TIR operation and that they are requested to provide explanations. If a satisfactory reply is not received, the Customs authorities shall apply the provisions of the TIR Convention and national legislation to determine the taxes and duties due to Customs.

(vi) If after sufficient effort, the Customs authorities are unable to collect the duties payable from the carnet holder, the Customs authorities shall claim the amount so payable from the NGA within the timelines stipulated in the Convention

For more details - <u>http://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-</u> <u>circulars/cs-circulars-2018/Circular-48-2018-Customs.pdf</u>