

## Lao's People Democratic Republic Peace Independent Democracy Unity and Prosperity

Ministry of Finance Customs Department

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## **Notification**

To: Director of Customs Offices, Heads of Customs Checkpoints at Vientiane Capital and Provinces throughout the country

Subject: Regulations on transportation of transit goods

- Pursuant to the Customs Law, Ref. N. 05/NA, dated 20.5.2005

In order to implement the regulation on the transportation of transit goods with the right understanding across the country and aiming at facilitating the transportation of transit goods as well as to reduce the risk of illegal practices.

The Director General of the Customs Department issues this notification as follows:

- 1. Those who wish to operate the business of transit transportation services shall have a business license for transportation services issued by the Transportation Department, Ministry of Transportation, Post and Construction.
- 2. The Lao International Freight Forwarders Association (LIFFA) shall be the representative to insure against damage of goods during transit transportation towards the Customs Department on behalf of the company operating the transit transportation services. Such guarantee shall include goods, trucks, and containers in the transit transportation. Then, the Customs Department will consider approving the transit transportation. In addition to LIFFA, the Law on Customs shall be followed accordingly.
- 3. The detailed customs declaration (Bor 80) for the transit of goods (excluding goods subject to control and prohibition by the Government) shall be submitted at the border customs checkpoint where the goods are imported. Reference documents are:
  - (1) Copy of documents of the guarantee approval, issued by the Customs Department.
  - (2) The power of attorney for the transportation of goods from the representative of the transportation or the buyer (consignee) or seller (consignor).
  - (3) Copy of documents issued by the Customs Authority of the origin country (the exporting country).

- (4) Invoice, packing list, and shipping documents.
- (5) The license from the relevant authorities (for those goods subject to control and prohibition)
- (6) In the case that there are many transit countries, there should be a copy of the transit documents of the last transited country.
- (7) In the case that there is a violation of the regulations on transit transportation in Lao PDR, the enterprise operating the transportation services shall follow the Law on Customs strictly.
- 4. The customs declaration for the truck loading transit goods shall have the following documents:
- For the contracting countries of the Cross-Border Transport Agreement, the logbook of international transportation approval and valid insurance shall be used.
- With the exception of those contracting countries mentioned above without logbook of international transportation approval, document Bor 7 shall be used and the transit documents of the last transited country, technical inspection and valid insurance.

This Notification replaces the Instruction used by the Customs Department, Ref. 0582/CTD, dated 30.1.2006 and enters into force from the date of its signature. In practice, if there are any conflicting issues between customs officials and the transportation enterprise, the concerned customs official should report to the Customs Department for further guidance and timely solution.

(Acting) Director of Customs Department

(Signature and Stamp)

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