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S.R.O. No. 482 - Law / 2025 / Customs. — The Government, having enacted the Customs Act, 2023 (Act No. 57 of 2023) in accordance with Section 263, Section 243, Sub-section (2), and the serial numbers (21) and (25) of the Second Schedule, by virtue of the power conferred thereby, and in consultation with the National Revenue Board, establishes the following regulations:

1. Title and Introduction. — (1) These regulations shall be referred to as the Shipping Agent Licensing Regulations, 2025.

(2) This shall come into effect immediately.

2. ~~Definitions. (1) Unless otherwise specified~~, in these regulations —

(a) 'Law' refers to the Customs Act, 2023 (Act No. 57 of 2023);

(b) 'Consignor' refers to the exporter designated as consignor in the Transport Document or Transport Agreement, or any person or entity authorized by them;

(g) 'Consignee' refers to the importer or any person or institution authorized by him as mentioned in the Transport Document or Transport Agreement;

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(g) 'Customs Station' means the customs defined in clause (23) of section 2 of the Law. Station;

(ng) 'Company' means the company defined in clause (g) of section 2 of the Companies Act, 1994 (Act No. 18 of 1994);

(ch) The term 'Carrier' refers to any individual or entity that assumes the responsibility of transporting goods to their destination via air, sea, road, or rail.

(e) The term 'Transport Document' refers to any negotiable or non-negotiable multimodal transport document, bill of lading, air waybill, railway receipt, truck receipt, forwarder's cargo receipt, or any other transport document recognized by the relevant bank, issued by the Carrier, Freight Forwarder, or Multimodal Transport Operator in the context of goods transportation.

(j) 'Form' refers to any form under these regulations;

(k) 'Firm' refers to a firm as defined in section 4 of the Partnership Act, 1932 (Act No. IX of 1932);

(l) 'Freight Forwarder' refers to an entity engaged in the packaging or delivery of goods, excluding packaging by another;

For the purpose of importing or exporting any goods in exchange for consideration, engaged in transportation-related activities on a commercial basis for the delivery of goods to the destination, a forwarder, Multimodal Transport Operator, delivery agent, or any entity or organization executing transportation activities;

(T) The term 'Port Authority' refers to the Chittagong Port Authority established under the Chittagong Port Authority Act, 2022 (Act No. 8 of 2022), the Mongla Port Authority established under the Mongla Port Authority Act, 2022 (Act No. 7 of 2022), the Payra Port Authority established under the Payra Port Authority Act, 2013 (Act No. 53 of 2013), the Civil Aviation Authority established under the Civil Aviation Authority Act, 2017 (Act No. 3 of 2017), the Bangladesh Land Port Authority established under the Bangladesh Land Port Authority Act, 2001 (Act No. 20 of 2001), and the management authority of the waterways situated within Bangladesh engaged in inland shipping under the Inland Shipping Ordinance, 1976 (Ord. No. LXXII of 1976), as well as other port authorities.

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