

## GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN

## DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS VALUATION CUSTOM HOUSE KARACHI

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Determination of Customs Values of Ring Travelers Under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. 95 1/2016)

No. Misc/25/2016-VII

Dated: November 04, 2016

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Ring Travelers are determined as follows: -

- 2. **Background of the valuation issue:** Customs values of Ring Travelers were determined under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, vide Valuation Ruling No.400/2011, dated 25-11-2011. The Valuation Ruling required revision in line with the prevailing prices in the international market. Therefore, this Directorate General initiated an exercise for determination of customs values of Ring Travelers.
- 3 **Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values:** Different meetings with stakeholders were held and a final meeting was held on 21-07-2016. Importers had been requested to furnish the following documents before or during the course of meeting:
  - A. Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
  - B. Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
  - C. Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.
  - D. Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate that the benefit of difference in price is passed on to the local buyers.
- 4. Certain importers submitted documents in support of their contentions claiming that their invoices and declarations were lower than the values determined in the ruling. Some importers pleaded that the ring travelers may be determined on lower side as the goods are being used in textile industry to promote exports. Ring travelers are used in textile mills around the world to process yarn. These products have a direct effect on the quality of yarn produced as their action physically turns the raw material into finished product. The importers wanted time to produce documents in support of their contentions, but they have not submitted the requisite documents except some import invoices. Resultantly numerous surveys were conducted for determination of the customs values.
- 5. Method adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed to arrive at customs values of different numbers/sizes of Ring Travelers. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable owing to wide variation in the values being declared to the customs. Identical / similar goods value methods provided in Section 25 (5) & (6) were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case which provided some reference values of the subject goods but the same could not be exclusively relied on due to wide variation in declared values of subject goods. Stakeholder's meetings were also scheduled but during the

meetings very divergent point of regarding international market prices was presented. Thereafter, market enquiry as envisaged under section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969, was conducted. For the purpose different markets were surveyed repeatedly. The computed value method as provided in Section 25(8) of the Customs Act, 1969, could not be applied as the conversion costs from constituent material at the country of export were not available. Online values of subject goods were also obtained. All the information so gathered was evaluated and analyzed for the purpose of determination of customs values. Consequently, the Customs values of Ring Travelers have been determined under Section 25(9) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. **Customs values for Ring Travelers:** Ring Travelers *hereinafter* specified *shall* be assessed to duty/taxes at the following Customs Values: -

S. No.	Description	PCT	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs value US\$/kg
1	2	3	4	5	6
01.	Ring Travelers Assorted Types/Sizes	8448.3110	8448.3110.1000	Switzerland	120
02.			8448.3110.1100	France	100
03.			8448.3110.1200	Japan	80
04.			8448.3110.1300	Germany	80
05.			8448.3110.1400	India	60
06.			8448.3110.1500	China	55
07.			8448.3110.1600	Other Origins	70

- 7. In cases where declared/transaction values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account the element of air freight while assessing the goods.
- 8. **Validity of this Valuation Ruling:** The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value for assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Sections (1) or (3) of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.
- 9. **Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling:** A revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided under Section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issue of this ruling, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in this Valuation Ruling for the given description of goods are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate General

immediately. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in this Valuation Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that valuation ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certification required thereon. In addition to this, it is further necessary to verify that there is no mis-declaration of any sort or violation of Import Policy Order or Section 15 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.

11. This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.400/2011 dated 25-11,201.

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Director

## Copy for information to: -

- 1. Member (Customs), F.B.R., Islamabad.
- 2. Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
- 3. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 4. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 5. Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
- 6. Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
- 7. Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
- 8. Director General, Audit (Customs & Petroleum), 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, PT&T Audit Building, Mauj-e-Darya Road, Lahore.
- 09. Director General, Post Clearance Audit (PCA), Islamabad.
- 10. Director General, Internal Audit (Customs), Karachi.
- 11. Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
- 12. Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation (Camp Office), Lahore.
- 13. Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in WeBOC database system and deleting Valuation Ruling No.400/2011, dated 25-11-2011.
- 14. Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- 15. Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta, Gujranwala, Faisalabad, Sialkot, Rawalpindi & Peshawar.
- 16. Law Section, Customs Valuation, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 17. Review Section, Customs Valuation, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 18. Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 19. CHO, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
- 20. Notice Board, Customs Valuation 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Custom House, Karachi / MCC, Appraisement (East/West), Custom House, Karachi.
- 21. Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Constitution Avenue, Islamabad, for uploading FBR website and deleting Valuation Ruling No.400/2011, dated 25-11-2011
- 22. Guard File.