

**S.I.44 of 2023**

## CUSTOMS MANAGEMENT ACT

*(Act 22 of 2011)***Customs Management (Amendment) Regulations, 2023**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 270 of the Custom Management Act, 2011, the Minister responsible for finance and trade makes the following regulations —

**Citation**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Custom Management (Amendment) Regulations, 2023.

**Amendment of Regulation 2**

2. Regulation 2 of the Customs Management Regulations, 2014 (S.I.42 of 2014) in these Regulations referred to as the “principal Regulations”, is amended by inserting in the alphabetical order, the following new definitions —

“House waybill” means a transport document used in air shipments, issued and signed by a freight forwarder or Courier Operator, generally on a pre-printed or electronic format, containing the terms and conditions of the carriage of goods as specified by the freight forwarder;

“IATA” means International Air Transport Association;

“Master Waybill” means a transport document used in air shipments, issued and signed by the air cargo carrier or agent, generally on a pre-printed or electronic format, containing the terms and conditions of the carriage of goods over routes of the carrier;

“Waybill” means a document prepared by the carrier of a

shipment of goods containing details of the shipment, route, and charges;

“XML file” means an extensible mark-up language file that utilise customised tags, to describe the structure of a document and how it should be stored and transported.”

### **Amendment of Regulation 19**

**3.** The principal Regulations is amended by repealing Regulation 19 and substituting therefor the following —

“**19.** The carrier or the carrier's authorised agent and the courier operator or the courier operator's authorised agent shall, respectively, electronically submit cargo manifests for Waybills, both Master Waybill and House Waybill, to Customs through the customs computerised system and shall conform to the IATA standard XML file messages formats or, subject to the authorisation of the Commissioner of Customs, manually capture the cargo manifest directly to the customs computer system —

- (a) within 72 hours before the arrival of a vessel carrying the cargo; or
- (b) immediately following the departure of an aircraft from its point of origin for cargo arriving by air.”

**MADE this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.**

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NATIONAL PLANNING AND TRADE**

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