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V.O.CHIDAMBARANAR PORT TRUST

(Old Name : Tuticorin Port Trust)

V.O.Chidambaranar Port Trust (Issue of Entry Permit for Vehicles/Equipments/Persons) (Amendment) Regulations, 2014

(No. TRA-OPNOP-VEH-DWELL-V1-14/41761/D. 984)

No. SRO.C-14/2015.

1. Short Title and Commencement:

(i) These Regulations may be called as V.O.Chidambaranar Port Trust (Old Name : Tuticorin Port Trust –issue of Entry Permit for Vehicles/Equipments and Persons) (Amendment) Regulations, 2014.

(ii) These Regulations shall be applicable for Entry of Vehicles, Equipments and Persons in Port area in Zone – A and Zone –B.

These will not apply to visitors, the Ships' crew and the foreign nationals entering the Port.

(iii) These Regulations shall come into force on the date of Publication of the approval of the Central Government in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions :

(a) "Port area" means, the area defined as 'Port Limit' including the roads, open space and the Dock Basin.

(b) "Board" means, the Board of Trustees of the Port of V.O.Chidambaranar Port Trust (Old Name : Tuticorin Port Trust) constituted under the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963.

(c) "Chairman" means, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

(d) "Traffic Manager" means the Officer for the time being in charge of Traffic Department of V.O.Chidambaranar Port Trust (Old Name : Tuticorin Port Trust) and includes his Deputies and Assistants and any other officer acting under the authority of the Traffic Manager.

(e) "No Parking Area" means, the area where a board with the words "No Parking" is put up.

(f) "Overspeed" means, the speed of the trucks beyond the speed limit indicated by a display board in any place on the Road/Wharf/dock Area.

3. Regulating the entry of persons into Port restricted area :

(i) All persons entering the security gates in Zone 'A' and Zone 'B' shall be restricted entry through issue of entry permits by the Traffic Manager.

(ii) The type of entry permit to be issued and period of validity, etc., shall be decided by the Traffic Manager.

(iii) Entry permits shall be issued on tendering the requisition by the Organisation/Agency in their Letter Head by furnishing all the details including the name of the person, designation, purpose of entry, the period upto which the entry permit is required, etc. The Letter should be under the signature of authorized person of the Firm/Company.

(iv) On authorization of the same by the Officers concerned in the Traffic Department, necessary fee as per the Scale of Rates shall be paid in the Photo Pass Section for obtaining the entry permit. Entry permit will be issued at the Pass Section. The entry permit shall be visibly displayed at all times and shall be produced for verification when demanded by the Security/ Traffic Department.

(v) After the validity period is over, the entry permits shall be surrendered while applying for fresh entry permits.

(vi) If any entry permit is lost, for obtaining a fresh one, the individual concerned shall produce the police complaint receipt, issued by the concerned Police Station.

(vii) The requisition for issue of fresh photo permit shall be made with the Office of the Traffic Manager.

4. Regulating the entry of vehicles/equipments etc.,

(a) Entry of all vehicles including light vehicles and 2 wheelers into the Port Security Gates shall be restricted by issue of vehicle entry permit (Licence) for different periods and on collection of necessary entry (licence) fee mentioned in the Port Scale of Rates. The period of the permit shall be decided by the Traffic Manager.

- (b) For issuing entry permit for vehicles, documents will be verified for ascertaining the following requirements:
 - (i) Registration number of the vehicle.
 - (ii) Insurance validity period.
 - (iii) FC period.
 - (iv) "Pollution under control" certificate.

(c) In the case of equipment, besides the above documents, certificates obtained from the competent authority under the Dock Safety Regulations namely Form –II, Form –IV and Form - VI shall also be produced.

5. Violations of License Conditions :

(a) In the case of entry of persons into the Port, the following acts will be construed as violations under these Regulations:

- (i) Furnishing of false information or misrepresentation of facts by the persons/Agents for obtaining entry permit.
- (ii) Not bringing to notice of the Port, the change of Driver/Cleaner on whose name the permit had been issued.
- (iii) Entering a place to which he/she is not authorized or entering the Port without bonafide business inside the Port.
- (iv) Non-production of entry permit when demanded by Security Personnel/Traffic Staff.
- (v) Entry into/out of Port area for work in drunken condition.
- (vi) Entry into Port area carrying banned items.
- (b) The following acts will be construed as violation in the case of entry of Vehicles/equipments into the Port :
 - (i) Driving a vehicle without licence.
 - (ii) Not producing the licence to the Officials of the Port for verification.
 - (iii) Non-production of computerized Pollution Under Control certificate at the gate and in other place of the Port.
 - (iv) Entry into Port area without obtaining the entry permit.
 - (v) Leaving the vehicle unattended at any dock area or storage area.
 - (vi) Non-observance of speed limit of 30 k.m. in the Port area
 - (vii) Not stopping at the security gates for checking.
 - (viii) Parking the vehicle in the "No parking area.
 - (ix) Parking the vehicle in the Dock or Storage area for more than the required time.
 - (x) Driving the vehicle without wearing the uniform stipulated by RTO.
 - (xi) Non-observance of one way traffic.
 - (xii) Damaging Port property or causing accidents in the Port premises and/or leaving the accident spot with intention to escape.
 - (xiii) Driving a vehicle by a person who is not authorized.
 - (xiv) Driving a vehicle by a person in intoxicated condition either by use of alcoholic drinks, drugs or any such thing which will be identified after testing the person in the Port Hospital or Government Hospital.
 - (xv) Parking a non-functional vehicle without the parking light during night or low visibility time.
 - (xvi) Carrying projected articles without red lamp/red flag at the front and rear ends.
 - (xvii) Driving a vehicle without number plate on either side.

6. Penalties:

(a) For violations by persons in obtaining/using the entry permit, the permit of the person shall be suspended/cancelled by the Traffic Manager.

(b) For violations in respect of vehicle entry, listed in Regulation 5(b), penalty of Rs.200/- and or/banning of entry into the Port for a period of upto one week on each occasion would be imposed by the Traffic Manager. If violation of any kind is noticed on a third occasion within 6 months, the vehicle will be banned entry into the Port area for a period of 1 month, in addition to levy of fine as above by the Traffic Manager.

(c) Dwell time and penalty for commercial vehicles inside the Port area :

(i) For the purpose of levy of penalty for overstay of commercial vehicles inside the Port area, the time will count from Check Post I or II on entry to Check Post I or II on exit and for excess stay time within the Port area beyond the specified duration will involve penalty. Any relaxation due to reasons beyond the control of either parties is required, then, the relaxation of penalty is left to the discretion of the Traffic Manager.

(ii) The dwell time shall be fixed by the Port in consultation with the Port Users and notified to the users in the form of a "Trade Notice".

(iii) Dwell time and penalty for commercial vehicles inside the Port area are as follows :

SI. No.	Type of Vehicle	Time allowed for TRT (Check Post I & II and back)	Penalty
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	Container (Export)	14 hours	Beyond 14 hours, penalty of Rs.50/- imposed for every subsequent 2 hours for over staying.
2.	Container (Import)	5 hours	Beyond 5 hours, penalty of Rs.50/- imposed for every subsequent 2 hours for over staying.
3.	Other cargo (Export & Import)	8 hours	Beyond 8 hours, penalty of Rs.50/- imposed for every subsequent 2 hours for over staying.
4.	Other than Port bound vehicles	24 hours	Beyond 24 hours, penalty of Rs.50/- shall be imposed for every subsequent 2 hours for over staying

(d) Any lorry carrying logs inside the Port area or outside the Port area is expected to fit Red lights at both the ends so as to avoid motor accidents which will invite a penalty of Rs.500/- and further, the imposition of penalty will be conveyed to the Control room of the Traffic Squad.

(e) The amount of Penalty may be revised by the Board from time to time.

7. Appeal :

Any individual who suffers from the action taken by the Port for violations of the conditions in these regulations if wishes to appeal against the penalty imposed, they may do so within a week's time for consideration of their case to the Chairman. Each such case will be decided by the Chairman, V.O.C. Port Trust based on merits.

Tuticorin-628 004, 7th May 2015. U. RAJENDRAN, Traffic Manager, V.O. Chidambaranar Port Trust.