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## OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (IMPORT), JAWAHARLAL NEHRU CUSTOM HOUSE, SHEVA, TAL. URAN, DIST. RAIGAD, MAHARASHTRA-400 707.

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## Data quality of information furnished by the importers for assessment purposes of Prime quality CRGO (Cold Rolled Grain Oriented) Sheets -reg.

1. The Customs assessment, to a large extent, is a function of classification and valuation of goods, not only for levying correct duty on imports or extending appropriate incentives on exports but also for the purposes of ensuring uniformity of assessment practices and enforcing restrictions/ prohibitions imposed under allied laws. Further, policy makers and all other concerned also use Customs import and export database for policy decision and for statistical purposes.

2. One of the most essential requirements for ensuring correct classification and valuation of goods is the quality of data furnished by the importers and exporters as regards its completeness and accuracy. It has, however been felt that the quality of data furnished by the trade in the case of import of prime quality CRGO (Cold Rolled Grain Oriented) Sheets has remained quite poor despite the fact that this issue has been emphasized time and again by the Customs administration. The basic information like grade, specification, unit quantity code, weight, country of origin etc are not declared properly, even though such information is required to be filled specifically in the bill of entry. In some cases, such non-declaration by unscrupulous importers, is to evade duty. However, in majority of cases, it may be on account of casual approach. As a result, not only the quality of assessment has suffered but also the quality of National Import database (NIDB) has remained below expectation. Thus, poor quality of data furnished by the trade is a matter of serious concern for customs administration.

3. In the above context, attention of trade and all other stake holders is invited to the fact that it is mandatory for the importers / CHAs to declare full and correct information concerning the goods being imported such as description, grade, specification, etc. in the appropriate columns while filing the bill of entry. Further, the unit of quantity declared should be the standard unit.

4. Various studies were conducted over a period of time by the assessing group for the purpose of valuation of prime CRGO sheets. The various grades of prime CRGO sheets as ascertained, that are being imported or that can be imported is as tabulated below:

Grade	Nomenclature	Thickness ( mm )	Max core loss ( W/Kg ) ( at 1.7/t / 50 Hz )
Conventional grade (CG)	35CG 150(M6)	0.35 mm	1.5
Conventional grade (CG)	30CG 140(M5)	0.30 mm	1.4
Conventional grade (CG)	30CG 130(M5)	0.30 mm	1.3

Conventional grade (CG)	30CG 120(M5)	0.30 mm	1.2
Conventional grade (CG)	27CG 130(M4)	0.27 mm	1.3
Conventional grade (CG)	27CG 120(M4)	0.27 mm	1.2
Conventional grade (CG)	27CG 110(M4)	0.27 mm	1.1
Conventional grade (CG)	23CG 120(M3)	0.23 mm	1.2
Conventional grade (CG)	23CG 110(M3)	0.23 mm	1.1
Hi B Grade (HG)	30 HG 105 (30 MOH)	0.3 mm	1.05
Hi B Grade (HG)	27 HG 100 (27 MOH)	0.27 mm	1
Hi B Grade (HG)	23 HG 095 (23 MOH)	0.23 mm	0.95
Hi B Grade (HG)	23 HG 090	0.23 mm	0.9
Domain Refined Grade(DR)	30 DR 095	0.30 mm	0.95
Domain Refined Grade(DR)	27 DR 90	0.27 mm	0.9
Domain Refined Grade(DR)	23 DR 85	0.23 mm	0.85

The above table is purely for illustration purpose only. The details differ from manufacturer to manufacturer.

5. Needless to say that the valuation of the CRGO sheets would vary as per the grade/thickness/core loss. In absence of this information being declared, there is a possibility that the quality of the assessments are compromised. The importers/CHAs are, therefore, requested to ensure that the grade, thickness and Max core loss (W/Kg)(at 1.7/t / 50 Hz) or the nomenclature are declared clearly and without any ambiguity.

6. All concerned sections, i.e., Appraising Groups and Import Docks shall verify that grade, thickness and Max core loss (W/Kg)(at 1.7/t / 50 Hz) or the nomenclature are declared in the bills of entry by the importer/CHAs.

7. If description is incomplete, then assessment and examination may get delayed since testing may be necessary for all coils to ascertain the correct classification and value.

8. Any amendment in the Bills of Entry in the description field or in the quantity field on account of non-compliance of the above shall attract provisions of penalty under Section 117 of the Customs Act, 1962.

9. All stakeholders are advised to follow the above guidelines scrupulously. Difficulties faced, if any, may please be brought to the notice of Commissioner of Customs (Import)/ (Export) JNCH.

Sd/- on 30.10.2012 Commissioner of Customs (Import) JNCH Nhava Sheva

**To,** The CHA Association/ Importers. **Copy to:** Chief Commissioner of Customs, JNCH, Mumbai-II, Commissioner of Customs (Export), JNCH, Mumbai-II, All Addl./Joint Commissioners of Customs, JNCH, Mumbai-II, All Deputy/Asstt. Commissioners of Customs, JNCH, Mumbai-II, Website of JNCH.