



E-Serve No.: 114 of 2026 | Date: March 30, 2026

Sub: Clarification on Validity of Self-Sealing Permission for Exporters

Dear Madam / Sir,

CBIC has issued a Circular No.14/2026-Customs dated 27th March 2026 ([copy enclosed](#)) on the clarification of the validity period of self-sealing permission granted to exporters under Circular No. 26/2017-Customs dated 01.07.2017 and Circular No. 36/2017-Customs dated 28.08.2017.

Accordingly, it is clarified that the self-sealing facility, once granted to an eligible exporter or merchant exporter, has no prescribed validity period. The permission remains valid unless the jurisdictional Customs authority specifically withdraws, suspends or cancels it due to non-compliance, misuse of the facility, or any other valid reason.

CBIC has authorised its officers to be trade-friendly and allow benefits easily, but if anyone misuses the system, strict action including cancellation of the facility must be taken.

You may please make a note of the above.

Regards,

Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal
Executive Director

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