

# Container For Release After The Official Gate Operating Hours

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## **1 Introduction**

Apart from the existing processes specified in Malta Freeport Terminals Limited Operations Manual the below are the requirements from the respective authorities.

### **1.1 Malta Freeport Corporation**

#### **1.1.1 Gating out of container after normal gate opening hours process:**

- Containers to be pre advised to all parties by not later than 12:00hrs of the same day;
- Gating out of container requests that will occur during Saturdays and Sundays are to be advised by not later than Saturday morning;
- Submissions are to be endorsed by Customs approval and in line with Customs requirements as indicated below.

### **1.2 Malta Customs**

#### **1.2.1 C-status consignments, C-Status Excisable or T1 goods not selected for physical inspection:**

- Request for approval from the Customs Department through the undersigned and the Malta Freeport Corporation;
- Liaising with the Customs Seaport (ex-Detail Section) to assign a Customs Officer for the dispatch of the container/trailer, at importer's expense;
- Communication with the Customer Services Unit for the issuing of the gate pass (if not already in hand), at importer's expense;
- Container/trailer must always be scanned. If outside normal scanning hours, the scanning procedure must be at importer's expense;
- The container/trailer must be escorted by the Customs Enforcement Unit (CEU) and be present during unloading, if deemed necessary.

### **1.2.2 C-Status Excisable or T1 goods selected for physical inspection:**

- Request for approval from the Customs Department through the undersigned and the Malta Freeport Corporation;
- Liaising with the Customs Seaport (ex-Detail Section) to assign a Customs Officer for the dispatch of the container/trailer at importer's expense;
- Communication with the Customer Services Unit for the issuing of the gate pass (if not already in hand), at importer's expense;
- Two customs officers must be assigned from the Containers and Groupage Unit in Hal Far, to inspect, and eventually release the consignment, at importer's expense;
- The container/trailer must be customs sealed by the Customs assistant present at the Freeport Gate;
- Container/Trailer must always be scanned. If outside normal scanning hours, the scanning procedure must be at importer's expenses;
- The container/trailer must be escorted by the Customs Enforcement Unit (CEU) and be present during unloading, if deemed necessary.