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DGFT Amends Single Port of Entry Caveat for Imported Apples

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Report Highlights:

On September 14, 2015, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry's Directorate General for Foreign Trade (DGFT) published a notification stating that all imported apples (falling under HS Code 08081000 of chapter 8) be limited to a single port of entry, namely the Nhava Sheva Port complex in Mumbai. On January 12, 2016, the DGFT officially rescinded the September notification, stating that apple imports are eligible through sea and airports in Kolkata, Chennai, Cochin, and Mumbai, as well as the dry port and airport in Delhi. The January 12 amendment also allows for cross-border imports of apples.

General Information:

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On September 14, 2015, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry's [Directorate General for Foreign Trade](#) (DGFT) published a [notification](#) on its website stating that all imported apples (falling under HS Code 08081000 of chapter 8) will be limited to a single port of entry, namely the Nhava Sheva Port complex in Mumbai.

On January 12, 2016, the DGFT officially rescinded the September 14, notification ([via Notification No. 30/2015-2020](#)), stating that apples imports are eligible through both sea and airports in Kolkata, Cochin, Chennai, and Mumbai, as well as the dry port and airport in Delhi. The January 12 amendment also allowed imports of apples via land borders of the country.

The full text of the final amendment published by DGFT on January 12, 2016, is provided below and is also available on their website: <http://dgft.gov.in/>

Details of Notification: Notification No. 30/2015-2020

- Publication Date: January 12, 2016
- Date of Implementation: Immediate

Products affected: All imported apples (falling under HS Code 08081000 of chapter 8)

Agency in Charge: The Ministry of Commerce and Industry's Directorate General for Foreign Trade (DGFT), Government of India.

January 12, 2016, Notification Number 30/2015-2020

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Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Department of Commerce
Directorate General of Foreign Trade
Udyog Bhawan

Notification No. 30/2015-2020
New Delhi, Dated: 12 January, 2016

Subject: Amendment in import policy conditions of apples under Exim code 0808 10 00 of Chapter 08 of ITC (HS), 2012 – Schedule – 1 (Import Policy).

S.O. (E): In exercise of powers conferred by Section 3 of FT (D&R) Act, 1992, read with paragraph 1.02 and 2.01 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-2020, as amended from time to time, the Central Government hereby amends the Import Policy Conditions of apples under Exim code 0808 10 00 of Chapter 08 of ITC (HS), 2012 – Schedule – 1 (Import Policy) as under:

Exim Code	Item Description	Policy	Policy Condition	Revised Policy Condition
0808 10 00	Apples	Free	Import only through Nhava Sheva Port.	(i) Import through both sea ports and airports in Kolkata, Chennai, Mumbai & Cochin; and land port & airport in Delhi. (ii) Import of apples is also allowed through India's land borders.

2. **Effect of this Notification:** Import of the item 'Apples' covered under EXIM Code 08081000 is allowed through sea ports & airports in Kolkata, Chennai, Mumbai & Cochin; and land port & airport in Delhi. Import of apples is also allowed through India's land borders.

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September 14, 2015: Notification Number 21/2015-2020

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Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Department of Commerce
Udyog Bhawan

Notification No. 21 /2015-2020
New Delhi, Dated: 14 September, 2015

Subject: Amendment in import policy conditions of apples under Exim code 0808 10 00 of Chapter 08 of ITC (HS), 2012 – Schedule – 1 (Import Policy).

S.O. (E): In exercise of powers conferred by Section 3 of FT (D&R) Act, 1992, read with paragraph 1.02 and 2.01 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-2020, as amended from time to time, the Central Government hereby amends the Import Policy Conditions of apples under Exim code 0808 10 00 of Chapter 08 of ITC (HS), 2012 – Schedule – 1 (Import Policy) as under:

Exim Code	Item Description	Policy	Policy Condition	Revised Policy Condition
0808 10 00	Apples	Free	-----	Import only through Nhava Sheva Port.

2. **Effect of this Notification:** Import of the item 'Apples' covered under EXIM Code 0808 10 00 is allowed only through Nhava Sheva port.

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