Customer Advisory

Date: 21st August 2026
Dear Valued Customers

Subject: Pakistan Import– Mandatory Declaration of Consignee / Notify party Registration / Identification Number.

As per S.R.O No.918(I)/2026 issued by Pakistan Customs, all Import shipments to **PKKHI/Pakistan** effective **22nd August**, it is mandatory to declare the following identification details in the import general manifest / carrier's declaration to customs. Implementation date is referring to filing of manifest for all shipments arriving Pakistan on or after 22-Aug-2026.

- **General Cargo: Valid NTN/FTN number is mandatory.** (NTN stands for National Tax Number of Importer, FTN stands FREE TAX NUMBER, can be updated under consignee/notify party address or in Cargo Description.)
- **Personal Effects & Vehicle Baggage**: **Passport Number and CNIC are mandatory.** CNIC stands for Computerize National Identity Card number, Passport no. and CNIC number should be updated in Consignee's address.
- **Transit Shipments: Passport Number is mandatory.** Transit Shipments refers to Cargo in transit to Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Iran etc. For these particular shipment Passport number of actual importer is required, which can be updated under consignee/notify party address or in Cargo Description.
- **EPZ Shipments:** EPZ Shipments refers to Export Processing Zone shipments (Consignee/actual Import containing address of EPZ, E.P.Z. or Export Processing Zone, Karachi). For these particular shipments CNIC & Passport number of actual importer is required, which can be updated under consignee/notify party address or in Cargo Description.
- **Transshipment:** Importers registration number, Passport Number, Passengers

Identification Number as the case may be depending on the nature of shipment. which can be updated under consignee/notify party address or in Cargo Description.

- **In case Consignee is a Bank**: Correct NTN/CNIC of the Notify Party must be declared. For example: Consignee is: To the order of National Bank of Pakistan and Notify Party is XYZ CO. LTD., Karachi, Pakistan, then NTN number of XYZ CO. LTD. Would be required.

Booking parties / Shippers / Exporters are required to ensure that the correct and complete identification numbers are provided *(as the case may be)* while providing shipping instructions at POL.

Failure to comply with the requirements may expose the importer/customer to customs-imposed fines / penalties.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our local customer service and sales representatives.

Thank you for your support and partnership with ESL.