

to the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Armenia

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PROCEDURE

ON TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS SET FOR THE BOUNDARIES OF THE FREE ECONOMIC ZONE

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. This Procedure defines the technical requirements set for the boundaries of the free economic zones within the Republic of Armenia.
2. The entry and exit of the free economic zone are under the control of the Organiser and the customs authorities of the Republic of Armenia.

II. THE TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS SET FOR THE BOUNDARY OF THE FREE ECONOMIC ZONE

3. Those free economic zones within the Republic of Armenia, the operational type whereof implies imports and exports of goods, must be demarcated in a way as to ensure its separation from the customs territory of the Republic of Armenia.

4. The boundaries of the free economic zone separating it from the customs territory of the Republic of Armenia must be demarcated by fencing it so that to exclude the possibility of importing and exporting or damaging goods beyond the customs control from the free economic zone. The fence of the free economic zone must be built at such a distance from the buildings and structures constructed in the territory of the free economic zone in order to exclude the possibilities of importing and exporting goods beyond the customs control from the free economic zone.

5. The following technical requirements are set for fencing the free economic zone:

(1) the fence must be built of stone, concrete or other material which ensures the isolation of the territory;

(2) the height of the fence must be not less than 2.5 metres;

(3) the fence must be uninterrupted through its whole borderline, except for the entry for natural persons, as well as the checkpoints intended for imports and exports of goods and transportation means;

(4) video cameras must be placed along the fence at such a distance so that it becomes possible to ensure the visibility of the whole territory;

(5) the fence must be illuminated from the two sides (inside and outside).

6. The whole outer part of the fence of the free economic zone is deemed to be the customs boundary of the Republic of Armenia.

7. In the event that the free economic zone is based in a building or several parts of a building, the windows of the building or the part of the building must be latticed with a metallic lattice, and the entry and exit must be separated and demarcated ensuring its detachment from the customs territory of the Republic of Armenia in order to exclude the possibilities of importing and exporting goods beyond customs control from the territory of the free economic zone.

8. The building or the part of the building deemed to be the free economic zone must be illuminated from the outside.

9. Video surveillance means must be placed in the building or the part of the building deemed as the free economic zone, keeping the whole of the building or the part thereof visible.

10. For the purpose of conducting due security control, the Organiser must be supplied with an area necessary for video surveillance conducted by customs authorities and the Organiser's security bodies (checkpoint).

11. The following technical requirements are set for the checkpoint of the free economic zone:

- (1) the checkpoint must have an area intended for carrying out customs formalities;
- (2) the checkpoint must have an area intended for carrying out customs control;
- (3) the checkpoint must have a separated area supplied with the appropriate equipment for customs brokers;
- (4) the checkpoint must be provided with buildings or equipment specially separated and adjusted for maintenance of goods, which are under the maintenance of customs authorities, and require special maintenance conditions (fragile and perishable items, requiring a certain regime of humidity and temperature – flammable, hazardous for the environment);
- (5) the checkpoint must be equipped with electronic weighing scales (including scales having the capacity of weighing at least 80 tonnes of vehicle and at least 150 tonnes of railways in the event that the supply of goods into and from the free economic zone is to be carried out via railway or automobile transport);
- (6) the checkpoint must be provided with devices and equipments necessary for detailed examination (x-raying, detecting radioactive means, etc.) pursuant to the requirements by the superior customs authority;
- (7) the checkpoint must be provided with communication and electronic technical equipments, internet and radio-telecommunication necessary for the officers of the customs authority to organise the customs formalities on-site;
- (8) the checkpoint must be provided with other technical means necessary for loading, unloading, carriage or transportation of goods;
- (9) the checkpoint must be provided with an audiovisual recording system.

12. The Organiser of the free economic zone must ensure the availability of the security service (own or hired) and the sound condition of security equipment for the purpose of assuring the protection of the territory of the free economic zone and checkpoint control, as well as of video and audio recording of the actions in the whole territory via remote controlled video cameras.

The video and audio records for each day must be kept separately in the computer or any other external media, which will give an opportunity to watch and hear the video and audio record clearly via numbering according to the date. The video records must indicate the date and hour of recording. The recorded video and audio sources must be kept at least for three years.

13. In the event of a damage of the fence during the exploitation of the free economic zone, the Organiser must forthwith eliminate the deficiencies and damages, moreover, during these activities the responsibility of ensuring the security of the free economic zone must be borne by the Organiser together with the security services.

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