### Amendments to the rules under sections 21 (1) and 60

GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:		
]	]	Words that are between square brackets and in bold typeface, indicate
		deletions from the existing rules
	_	Words that are underlined with a solid line, indicate insertions in the
		existing rules

### SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE

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### CUSTOMS AND EXCISE ACT, 1964 AMENDMENT OF RULES

Under sections 21, 60 and 120 of the Customs and Excise Act, 1964 (Act 91 of 1964), the rules published in Government Notice R.1874 of 8 December 1995, are herewith amended to the extent set out in the Schedule hereto **with effect from 30 November 2024** 

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### **SCHEDULE**

### Insertion of rules

**1.** The following rules are hereby inserted after rule 21.05.13:

"21.05A For the purposes of section 21(1) the rules numbered 21.05A followed by further digits relate, unless the context

### otherwise indicates, to the storage of imported bonded fuel goods in special customs and excise storage warehouses

### Part 1: General

### **Definitions**

21.05A.01 For the purposes of these rules and any form or other document to which these rules relate, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act bears the meaning so assigned and unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise indicates —

"BELN" means the Republic of Botswana, the Kingdom of Eswatini, the Kingdom of Lesotho or the Republic of Namibia;

"blending" in relation to bonded fuel goods in a bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, means to combine such bonded fuel goods with any other fuel goods, mineral oil products, additives or other goods in a process which alters the tariff classification of the relevant fuel;

### "bonded fuel goods" in relation to -

- (a) a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, means imported distillate fuel, residual fuel and petrol; and
- (b) a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, means imported distillate fuel and residual fuel;

### "bunkering" means, in the case of -

- (a) a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, supplying imported distillate or residual fuel to
  - (i) a foreign-going vessel for use as ship stores by such vessel for export; or
  - (ii) a coasting vessel for use by such vessel in the territorial waters of the Republic; and
- (b) a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, supplying imported distillate or residual fuel to a foreign-going vessel for use by such vessel as ship stores for export;

- "coasting vessel means a vessel in the territorial waters of the Republic engaged in the transportation of cargo between seaports within the Republic, but excludes a foreign-going vessel which—
- (a) whilst on a voyage to its end destination in the Republic engages in such transportation during that part of the voyage in the Republic; or
- (b) whilst on a voyage to a destination outside the Republic engages in such transportation during that part of the voyage in the Republic;

### "distillate fuel", in relation to -

- (a) a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, means distillate fuel as defined in Additional Note 1(g) of Chapter 27 of Part 1 of Schedule No. 1; and
- (b) a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, means distillate fuel as defined in Additional Note 1(g)(ii) and (iii) of Chapter 27 of Part 1 of Schedule No. 1;

"flow meter" means a device used to measure the quantity of liquid or gas moving through a pipe or fuel hose;

### "foreign-going vessel" means—

- (a) a vessel at a port, harbour or other place in the Republic if that vessel—
  - (i) has arrived at that port, harbour or other place in the course of a voyage from outside the Republic to a destination or destinations inside the Republic, whether that port, harbour or other place is that destination or one of those destinations or a stopover on its way to that or any of those destinations; or
  - (ii) is scheduled to depart from that port, harbour or other place in the course of a voyage to a destination outside the Republic, whether that port, harbour or other place is its place of departure to that destination or a stopover or one of several stopovers in the Republic from where it departs in the course of that voyage;
- (b) a vessel in the territorial waters of the Republic on a voyage referred to in paragraph (a)(i) or (ii); or

- (c) a vessel on a voyage from a place outside the Republic to a destination outside the Republic—
  - (i) passing through the territorial waters of the Republic; or
  - (ii) making a stopover at any place in the Republic;

"bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse" means a special customs and excise storage warehouse contemplated in section 21(1) for the storage of bonded fuel goods and includes –

- (a) a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse; and
- (b) a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse;

"harbour" means a port in terms of section 1 of the National Ports Act 2005

(Act No. 5 of 2005);

"land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse" means a bonded fuel goods special customs and excise storage warehouse situated on land, as contemplated in Part 2 of these rules;

"licensed marine remover" means a licensed marine remover as defined in rule 64DA.01;

"own transport" in relation to the licensee of a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, means to transport bonded fuel goods from such warehouse on land by means of a vehicle –

- (a) owned by the licensee, including a vehicle -
  - (i) in possession of that licensee in terms of a hire purchase or lease agreement; or
  - (ii) rented by that licensee for the purpose of such transport; and
- (b) operated by a person under the direct instructions of the licensee;

"petrol" means fuel as defined in Additional Note 1(b) to Chapter 27 in Part

1 of Schedule No. 1 to the Act;

"residual fuel" means fuel oils as defined in Additional Note 1(h) to Chapter 27 in Part 1 of Schedule No. 1 to the Act;

"sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse" means a bonded fuel goods special customs and excise storage warehouse, consisting of a storage vessel on sea, as contemplated in Part 3 of these rules;

"storage vessel" means a vessel which is used as a warehouse for the receipt, storage and transfer of bulk imported distillate fuel or residual fuel for purposes of bunkering; and

"territorial waters" in relation to the Republic means the territorial waters as referred to in section 4(1) of the Maritime Zones Act, 1994 (Act No. 15 of 1994);

"these rules" means the rules numbered 21.05A; and

"ullage", in relation to a tank in which bonded fuel goods are kept, refers to the empty space within such tank above the fuel level.

#### Licensing of bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

- 21.05A.02 (a) No person may operate a bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse unless such warehouse is licensed in accordance with paragraph (b).
  - (b) Any person who intends operating a bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse must
    - (i) apply for a licence in accordance with rule

      60.01A(c)(i) and comply with all the requirements

      specified on the electronic application or form DA

      185 and the relevant annexure; and
    - (ii) before a licence is issued, furnish such security the Commissioner may require in the form of a bond subject to the provisions of rules 120.08 and 120.09.

(c) The provisions of section 60(2) and the rules under that section apply with the necessary changes to any refusal of an application for a licence or the renewal, cancellation or suspension of the licence issued in respect of a bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse.

### Customs treatment of on-sea transfers and receipts of imported fuels

21.05A.03 (a) For purposes of this rule –

"on-sea transfer", in relation to imported fuel, means the action of transferring within the territorial waters of the Republic, imported distillate fuel, residual fuel or petrol from the foreign-going vessel on which it was brought into the Republic, to another vessel; and

"on-sea receipt", in relation to imported fuel, means the action of receiving within the territorial waters of the Republic, distillate or residual fuel onto a foreign-going vessel on which it will leave the Republic, from another vessel.

- (b) Any on-sea transfer must take place either
  - (i) directly to a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, in the case of distillate or residual fuel; or
  - (ii) to a vessel operated by a licensed marine remover for purposes of removal to
    - (aa) a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, in the case of distillate or residual fuel; or
    - (bb) a land-based bonded fuel goods

      special storage warehouse, in the
      case of distillate fuel, residual fuel or
      petrol.
- (c) Any on sea-receipt must take place either –

- (i) directly from a vessel that is a sea-based
  bonded fuel goods special storage
  warehouse; or
- (ii) from a vessel operated by a licensed marine remover.
- (d) An on-sea transfer or an on-sea receipt contemplated in paragraph (b) or (c) respectively, may only take place upon due entry of the imported fuel for warehousing or for export, depending on the circumstances.
- (e) No distillate fuel, residual fuel or petrol brought into the Republic on board a foreign-going vessel may be transferred within the territorial waters of the Republic from such foreign-going vessel directly to another foreign-going vessel leaving the Republic, or to a coasting vessel, subject to paragraph (f).
- instruction to transfer distillate fuel, residual fuel or petrol to a vessel other than a vessel contemplated in paragraph (b) or (c) due to an emergency situation arising in the territorial waters of the Republic, the transfer may despite paragraph (e) take place in accordance with such instruction, provided that the Commissioner is notified of the transfer.

### <u>Procedure to be followed to obtain permissions from Commissioner</u> <u>contemplated in rule 21.05A.10 or 21.05A.12</u>

21.05A.04 (a) For purposes of obtaining a permission contemplated in rule 21.05A.10(a) or 21.05A.12(a), the relevant licensee must submit a request for permission on its official letterhead or that of its duly authorised representative to the e-mail address indicated on the SARS website for receipt of such requests.

- (b) A request referred to in paragraph (a) must reflect the following information in relation to the person requesting permission or the duly authorised representative of such person:
  - (i) The name and customs and excise client number of the person requesting permission;
  - (ii) if the request is submitted by a clearing agent on behalf of the licensee, the name and customs and excise client number of the clearing agent; or
  - (iii) if the request is submitted by another authorised representative, the name of the representative, and—
    - <u>(aa) if the other representative is a natural</u>
      <u>person, such person's—</u>
      - (A) SARS tax reference number or, if
        such person does not have a SARS
        tax reference number, the number
        and type of such person's
        identification document; and
      - (B) contact details and any physical and postal addresses in the Republic; or
    - (bb) if the other representative is a juristic entity—
      - (A) its SARS tax reference number or, if it does not have a SARS tax reference number, its registration number or the number of its founding document, indicating whether the entity is incorporated, registered or recognised in terms of the laws of the Republic or another country and, if another country, the name of that country;
      - (B) its contact details and any physical and postal addresses in the Republic;

#### and

- (C) the name and contact details of a contact person.
- (c) The following information in relation to the request must be reflected:
  - (i) The customs and excise client number of the warehouse if not provided under paragraph(b)(i);
  - (ii) the relevant provision in terms of which permission is requested;
  - (iii) full details relating to the grounds to be considered for purposes of the request;
  - (iv) full details relating to the level of urgency of the request; and
  - (v) any other information relevant to the request requested by the Commissioner.
- (d) A request must be supported by all relevant
   documents to substantiate information provided in the
   request, which must be submitted upon request.
- (e) A person who submitted a request in accordance with this rule is entitled to receive a receipt notification.
- days prior to the date when the permission is required to be in place: Provided that in the case of circumstances contemplated in rule 21.05A.12(b) which constitute an emergency, a request may be submitted when the emergency situation arises.

### Part 2: Land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

<u>Licensing requirements for land-based bonded fuel goods special</u>
<u>storage warehouses</u>

**21.05A.05** (a) The licensed premises of a land-based bonded fuel goods

special storage warehouse includes the storage infrastructure at the demarcated geographical site as well as any pipeline infrastructure on that demarcated site extending up to the location of the inlet and outlet flanges leading into and out of the demarcated site respectively.

### (b) Flow meters and gauges must –

- (i) be installed to accurately monitor the volume of bonded fuel goods received in, stored in and removed from the licensed premises at any given time; and
- (ii) tested at regular intervals not exceeding a period of six months, and recalibrated if necessary.
- (c) Bonded fuel goods may only be received into a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse
  - (i) if the licensee, in the case of a transfer contemplated in rule 21.05A.03(b)(ii)(bb), is in possession of a copy of form DA 1 submitted by the carrier operating the foreign-going vessel on board which the bonded fuel goods were brought into the Republic; and
  - (ii) upon due entry for storage in such warehouse;
- (d) Distillate fuel, residual fuel and petrol must be stored separately in the warehouse in tanks marked to indicate the type of goods.
- (e) The same demarcated premises may not be used for the licensing of a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse and a customs and excise manufacturing warehouse.

### Removal of bonded fuel goods from land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

**21.05A.06** (a) No bonded fuel goods may be removed from a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, unless duly

- entered by the importer or, in circumstances where transfer of ownership has taken place in accordance with section 26, the new owner of the goods, for purposes of –
- (i) home consumption and upon payment of duty due thereon;
- (ii) export (including supply as ship stores for foreigngoing vessels); or
- (iii) removal to a BELN country under the export

  procedure, after entry for home use and upon payment of duty.
- (b) Only a licenced remover in bond as contemplated in section 64D, or the licensee of the land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse using own transport, may remove bonded fuel goods by road—
  - (i) for export;
  - (ii) for removal to a BELN country;
  - (iii) to a rail tanker, a vessel or an aircraft for removal for export;
  - (iv) to a coasting vessel for own use; or
  - (v) to a vessel operated by a licensed marine remover for onward removal –
    - (aa) to a coasting vessel; or
    - (bb) to a foreign-going vessel for export.
- (c) Only a licensed marine remover may remove imported
  bonded fuel goods from a land-based bonded fuel goods
  special storage warehouse by sea for onward removal for
  export on a foreign-going vessel.
- (d) Bonded fuel goods may only be removed from a

  land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse
  to any BELN country under the export procedure, after
  entry for home use and payment of duty.
- (e) Removal from a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for re-warehousing is not permissible.

# Goods and activities in land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

- 21.05A.07 (a) Only bonded fuel goods may be stored in a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for a period of six-months, which period may, on application by the importer before the expiry of that period, be extended for no more than three months.
  - (b) No blending or manufacturing of bonded fuel goods may take place in a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse.
  - (c) Bonded fuel goods in a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse may be combined with equivalent bonded fuel goods of the same class or kind to obtain a mixture of consistently acceptable quality and the following agents, which may not increase the volume or change the tariff classification of the goods, may be added:
    - (i) A lubricity agent;
    - (ii) a distinguishing agent for identification of ownership;
    - (iii) a cold flow agent; or
    - (iv) a stabilising agent.
  - (d) If the addition of an agent as contemplated in paragraph
    (c) caused the volume of the relevant bonded fuel goods
    to increase, the bill of entry in respect of such goods must
    be adjusted in terms of section 40(3).
  - (e) Any agent referred to in paragraph (c) may despite paragraph (a) be kept in the warehouse.

### Keeping of books, accounts and documents

**21.05A.08** (a) The licensee of a land-based bonded fuel goods special

storage warehouse must, at the warehouse in a safe place accessible to the Controller, keep or provide access to a record in a form approved by the Controller of all receipts into and deliveries or removals from the warehouse of bonded fuel goods, with such particulars as will make it possible for all such receipts and deliveries or removals to be readily identified with the bonded fuel goods warehoused, and with clear references to the bills of entry passed in connection therewith.

- (b) For the purposes of section 101 and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any rule, every licensee of a bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse must, as required in terms of rule 60.08(2)
  - (i) keep proper books, accounts and documents and any data created by means of a computer, of all transactions relating to the storage of bonded fuel goods and any agent received and used as contemplated in rule 21.05A.07(c), for a period of five years calculated from the end of the calendar year in which any such document was created, lodged or required for the purposes of any customs and excise procedure;
  - (ii) include in such books, accounts, documents and data any requirements prescribed in any provision of the Act in respect of the activity for which the licence is issued; and
  - (iii) produce such books, accounts, documents and data as the Commissioner may require and submit such particulars in connection with the transactions and activities relating to the licensed premises –

    (aa) on demand at any reasonable time; or

    (bb) at intervals as may be determined by the Commissioner.
- (c) Books, accounts, documents and data contemplated in

### paragraph (b) include -

- (i) ITAC permits in relation to bonded fuel goods imported or exported, in the case where the licensee is also the importer or exporter;
- (ii) South African Maritime Safety Authority or Transnet

  authorisations or permissions, as may be
  applicable, and any supporting documents relating
  thereto;
- (iii) copies of form DA 1 (Report inward for ships) in relation to the foreign-going vessel importing the bonded fuel goods destined for warehousing;
- (iv) copies of form DA 1 (Report outward for ships) in relation to the foreign-going vessel to whom the bonded fuel goods is supplied for export;
- (v) bills of entry for imported bonded fuel goods
  received into the warehouse, removed from the
  warehouse for delivery to foreign-going vessels for
  export or entered for home consumption;
- (vi) in the case where the licensee is also the importer or exporter, all relevant
  - (aa) customs worksheets;
  - (bb) clearing and forwarding instructions issued;
  - (cc) bills of lading in relation to the foreigngoing vessel importing the bonded fuel goods destined for warehousing;
  - (dd) purchase orders in relation to the bonded fuel goods;
  - <u>(ee)</u> supplier's invoices in relation to bonded fuel goods supplied to the warehouse; and
  - (ff) agreements of sale in relation to buying or selling of bonded fuel goods;
- (vii) delivery instructions including instructions to licensed marine removers;

- (viii) agreements of sale in relation to buying or selling of bonded fuel goods in the case of a transfer of ownership where the licensee is a party to the agreement;
- (ix) records of any samples taken before the transfer of bonded fuel goods
  - (aa) from the foreign-going vessel importing the
    bonded fuel goods to the vessel operated by
    the licensed marine remover transporting the
    goods to the warehouse; and
  - (bb) from the vessel operated by the licensed marine remover transporting the bonded fuel goods from the warehouse to the foreigngoing vessel on which the goods are to be exported;
- (x) laboratory reports in relation to bonded fuel goods received into the warehouse;
- (xi) flow meter reports and flow meter calibration
   reports, and if available, surveyor's reports, forms
   P2.01 (dipping sheet) and ullage measurement
   reports;
- (xii) discharge reports;
- (xiii) delivery notes indicating at least the volume, type of product, product grade, product specification, date and place of delivery and supplier name and details in respect of bonded fuel goods received;
- (xiv) an updated list of the name and customs and excise

  client number of all licensed marine removers as

  well as all vessels operated by such licensed

  marine removers contracted for purposes of the

  delivery of bonded fuel goods—
  - (aa) to the land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse;
  - (bb) to foreign-going vessels for export; or

- (cc) to coasting vessels for use by such vessels;
- (xv) charter agreements in respect of vessels referred to in subparagraph (xiv), if applicable;
- (xvi) the name and customs and excise client number of all licensed removers in bond contracted for purposes of the delivery of bonded fuel goods by road as contemplated in rule 21.05A.06(b);
- (xvii) the results of any tests done in respect of the bonded fuel goods received in and removed from the warehouse; and
- (xviii) any other relevant records or documents as may be specified by the Commissioner.
- (f) Separate records must be kept in relation to distillate fuel, residual fuel and petrol as well as any agents used in respect thereof as contemplated in rule 21.05A.07(c).
- (g) For purposes of any records kept in terms of this rule any quantity of fuel levy goods must be expressed in litres at 20°C, utilising the IP 60 (B) measurement tables, jointly published by the Institute of Petroleum and the American Society for Testing of Materials.

#### Part 3: Sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

# Licensing requirements for sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

- 21.05A.09 (a) Only storage vessels that are self-propelled and have

  been duly entered for customs purposes are eligible for

  licensing as sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage

  warehouses.
  - (b) The licensed premises of a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse includes the storage vessel and any storage facility that forms an integral part of the structure of that vessel.

- (c) Distillate fuel and residual fuel must be stored in separate marked tanks or storage facilities in the warehouse.
- (d) Flow meters and gauges must -
  - be installed to accurately monitor the volume of bonded fuel goods received in, stored in and removed from the warehouse at any given time; and
  - (ii) tested at regular intervals not exceeding a period of six months, and recalibrated if necessary.
- (e) A storage vessel operating as a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse may only operate within the port limits of the port that it services, as described in Government Gazette No. 32873 of 22 January 2010, subject to rule 21.05A.10(a).
- storage warehouse is issued in respect of a specific port subject to compliance with all relevant requirements relating to approvals, licences or certificates of whatever nature by the relevant regulatory and other bodies in relation to the importation and receiving, storage or supply of fuel for bunkering.
- (g) Bonded fuel goods may only be received into a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse
  - (i) if the licensee is in possession of a copy of form

    DA 1 submitted by the carrier operating the foreigngoing vessel on board which the bonded fuel goods
    are brought into the Republic;
  - (ii) upon due entry for storage in such warehouse; and
  - (iii) upon due entry for re-warehousing in such

    warehouse of bonded fuel goods removed from

    another sea-based bonded fuel goods special
    storage warehouse.
- (h) Only a licensed marine remover may remove bonded fuel goods from a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse: Provided that transfers may be

- effected by using a fuel hose directly from the warehouse to a foreign-going vessel.
- (i) The same vessel may not be used for purposes of a seabased bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse storing bonded fuel goods and as a vessel operated by a licensed marine remover.
- (j) A licensee must keep or provide access to records
  contemplated in rule 21.05A.15 at the land-based
  premises of that licensee used for purposes of the
  business for which the licence was issued and which is
  indicated on the electronic application or form DA 185.

# Circumstances in which storage vessels operating as sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses may leave port limits

- 21.05A.10

  (a) Despite rule 21.05A.09(e), the licensee of a seabased bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse may, after obtaining prior permission from the Commissioner in a manner set out in rule 21.05A.04, leave the port limits of the port serviced by that warehouse in circumstances where that storage vessel requires maintenance or repairs that can only be done at a port other than that port.
  - (b) A licensee who requested permission as contemplated in paragraph (a) must comply with any further direction or condition the Commissioner may issue in relation to the temporary absence and the return of the vessel, or in relation to the warehoused bonded fuel goods on the vessel.
  - (c) Where in unforeseen circumstances it is essential for a
    licensee to take immediate action in accordance with
    any lawful evacuation instructions issued by another
    regulatory authority relating to an emergency situation

- arising in relation to the relevant port or port environment, such licensee may, despite the prior permission requirement in paragraph (a), act in accordance with such instructions and subsequently notify the Commissioner of the position of the vessel and the reason for leaving the port limits.
- (d) The provisions of rule 21A.05A.04 apply with the necessary changes in respect of a notification referred to in paragraph (c).

### Removal of bonded fuel goods from sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

- 21.05A.11 (a) Subject to rule 21.05A.12(a), bonded fuel goods in a

  sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse
  may only be removed from such a warehouse upon due
  entry by the importer, or in circumstances where transfer
  of ownership has taken place in accordance with section
  26, the new owner of the goods, for purposes of
  - (i) export (including supply as ship stores for use by foreign-going vessels); or
  - (ii) re-warehousing in another sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse.
  - (b) No bonded fuel goods may be removed from a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for rewarehousing in a warehouse other than a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, subject to rule 21.05A.12(c).

# Permission to remove bonded fuel goods from sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses in other circumstances

21.05A.12 (a) Bonded fuel goods may not be removed from a seabased special storage warehouse in circumstances other than those contemplated in rule 21.05A.11, unless

- prior permission of the Commissioner has been obtained in accordance with rule 21.05A.04.
- (b) Permission referred to in paragraph (a) may be requested in the following exceptional circumstances:
  - (i) Where an accident or incident resulted in the contamination, destruction of diminution of warehoused goods;
  - (ii) where a breakdown, shipwreck or other unforeseen incident affects the safety or preservation of the warehoused goods;
  - (iii) where the warehoused goods must be removed from the warehouse due to repairs to or maintenance of the vessel operating as the warehouse; or
  - (iv) where an accident, incident or faulty or incorrect operation of the warehouse resulted in the loss of containment of the warehoused goods.
- (c) A licensee must comply with any conditions subject to which a permission is issued by the Commissioner taking into account section 4 of the Marine Pollution (Control and Civil liability) Act,1981 (Act No. 6 of 1981) and section 18 of the Wreck and Salvage Act, 1996 (Act No. 94 of 1996).

### Goods and activities in sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

- 21.05A.13 (a) Only bonded fuel goods may be stored in a seabased bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for a period of six-months, which period may on application by the importer before the expiry of that period, be extended for no more than three months.
  - (b) No blending or manufacturing of bonded fuel goods may take place in a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, but such goods may be combined

with equivalent bonded fuel goods of the same class or kind to obtain a mixture of consistently acceptable quality and the following agents, which may not increase the volume or change the tariff classification of the goods, may be added:

- (i) A lubricity agent;
- (ii) a distinguishing agent for identification of ownership;
- (iii) a cold flow agent; or
- (iv) a stabilising agent.
- (c) Bonded fuel goods to be used for purposes of the operation and maintenance of the warehouse may upon entry for home consumption and payment of duty be drawn from imported stock warehoused under suspension of duty.
- (d) If the addition of an agent as contemplated in paragraph
  (c) caused the volume of the relevant bonded fuel goods
  to increase, the bill of entry in respect of such goods must
  be adjusted in terms of section 40(3).
- (e) Any agent referred to in paragraph (b) may despite paragraph (a) be kept in the warehouse.

# Application of section 75(18)(d) in relation to imported distillate fuel entered for storage in sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouses

21.05A.14 For purposes of the application of section 75(18)(d) to distillate fuel entered for storage in a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, "landed" means off-loading onto the relevant storage vessel situated within the port limits of the port it services as contemplated in rule 21.05A.09(e).

#### Keeping of books, accounts and documents

- 21.05A.15 (a) The licensee of a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse must keep or provide access to a record in a form approved by the Controller of all receipts into and deliveries or removals from the warehouse of bonded fuel goods, with such particulars as will make it possible for all such receipts and deliveries or removals to be readily identified with the bonded fuel goods warehoused, and with clear references to the relative bills of entry passed in connection therewith.
  - (b) For the purposes of section 101 and notwithstanding
    anything to the contrary in any other rule, every licensee
    of a bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse must,
    as required in terms of rule 60.08(2)
    - (i) keep proper books, accounts and documents and any data created by means of a computer, of all transactions relating to the storage of imported bonded fuel goods and any agent received and used as contemplated in rule 21.05A.13(b), for a period of five years calculated from the end of the calendar year in which any such document was created, lodged or required for the purposes of any customs and excise procedure;
    - (ii) include in such books, accounts, documents and data any requirements prescribed in any provision of the Act in respect of the activity for which the licence is issued; and
    - (iii) produce such books, accounts, documents and
      data as the Commissioner may require and render
      such returns or submit such particulars in
      connection with the transactions and activities
      relating to the licensed premises
      - (aa) on demand at any reasonable time; or
      - (bb) at intervals as may be determined by the Commissioner.

- (c) Books, accounts, documents and data contemplated in paragraph (b) must include
  - (i) ITAC permits in relation to bonded fuel goods
    imported or exported, in the case where the
    licensee is also the importer or exporter;
  - (ii) South African Maritime Safety Authority or Transnet authorisations or permissions, as may be applicable, and any supporting documents relating thereto;
  - (iii) any documents relating to the customs entry of the storage vessel;
  - (iv) any documents relating to the ownership, lease or charter of the storage vessel;
  - (v) copies of form DA 1 (Report inward for ships) in relation to the foreign-going vessel importing the bonded fuel goods destined for warehousing in the warehouse;
  - (vi) copies of form DA 1 (Report outwards for ships) in relation to the foreign-going vessel to whom the bonded fuel goods are supplied for export;
  - (vii) bills of entry for bonded fuel goods received into the
    warehouse and removed from the warehouse for
    delivery to foreign-going vessels for export or for rewarehousing in another sea-based bonded fuel
    goods special storage warehouse;
  - (viii) in the case where the licensee is also the importer or exporter, all relevant –
    - (aa) customs worksheets;
    - (bb) clearing and forwarding instructions issued;
    - (cc) bills of lading in relation to the foreigngoing vessel importing the bonded fuel goods destined for warehousing;
    - (dd) purchase orders in relation to the bonded

- fuel goods;
- (ee) supplier's invoices in relation to bonded fuel goods supplied to the warehouse; and
- (ff) agreements of sale in relation to buying or selling of bonded fuel goods;
- (ix) delivery instructions to licensed marine removers;
- (x) agreements of sale in relation to buying or selling of bonded fuel goods, in the case of a transfer of ownership where the licensee is a party to the agreement;
- (xi) records of any samples taken before the transfer of bonded fuel goods
  - (aa) from the foreign-going vessel importing the
    bonded fuel goods to the vessel operated by
    the licensed marine remover transporting the
    goods to the sea-based bonded fuel goods
    special storage warehouse;
  - (bb) from the foreign-going vessel importing the
    bonded fuel goods directly to the sea-based
    bonded fuel goods special storage
    warehouse; or
  - marine remover transporting the bonded fuel
    goods to the foreign-going vessel on which
    the goods are to be exported, or to another
    sea-based bonded fuel goods special
    storage warehouse for re-warehousing;
- (xii) laboratory reports in relation to bonded fuel goods received into the warehouse;
- (xiii) flow meter reports and flow meter calibration
  reports, and if available, surveyor's reports, forms
  P2.01 (dipping sheet) and ullage measurement
  reports;
- (xiv) discharge reports;

- (xv) delivery receipts in relation to completion of deliveries, signed and stamped by the master or the chief engineer of the warehouse indicating at least volume, type of product, product grade, product specifications, date and place of delivery and supplier name and details, of the bonded fuel goods in the case where
  - (aa) a licensed marine remover transported the

    bonded fuel goods from the importing
    foreign-going vessel to the warehouse; or
  - (bb) the importing foreign-going vessel transferred the bonded fuel goods directly to the warehouse;
- (xvi) delivery receipts in relation to completion of deliveries, signed and stamped by the master or the chief engineer of the receiving foreign-going vessel on which the bonded fuel goods are to be exported, or of another sea-based bonded goods special storage warehouse in which the goods are to be re-warehoused, indicating at least volume, type of product, product grade, product specifications and date and place of delivery and supplier name and details;
- (xvii) an updated list containing the details of all vessels

  operated by licensed marine removers contracted

  by the licensee for purposes of the delivery of

  imported bunker fuel
  - (aa) to the sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse;
  - (bb) to foreign-going vessels for export; or
  - (cc) to another sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for rewarehousing;

- (xviii) charter agreements in respect of vessels referred to in subparagraph (xvii), if applicable;
- (xix) details of any requests for permission in terms of rule 21.05A.04, together with any supporting documents;
- (xx) records of fuel entered and used for selfpropulsion;
- (xxi) the results of any tests done in respect of the bonded fuel goods received in and removed from the warehouse; and
- (xxii) any other relevant records or documents as may be specified by the Commissioner.
- (d) Separate records must be kept in relation to distillate fuel and residual fuel as well as any agents used in respect thereof as contemplated in rule 21.05A.13(b).
- (e) For purposes of any records kept in terms of this rule any quantity of fuel levy goods must be expressed in litres at 20°C, utilising the IP 60 (B) measurement tables, jointly published by the Institute of Petroleum and the American Society for Testing of Materials.".

#### Amendment of rule 60.01A

- 2. Rule 60.01A is hereby amended –
- (a) by the insertion in paragraph (a)(ii) of the following item after item (cc):

  "(ccA) operating as a marine remover of bonded fuel goods as contemplated in

  rule 64DA.02(c)(ii)(aa) or (bb), respectively;";
- (b) by the insertion in paragraph (c)(i)(cc) of the following subitem after subitem (C):
  - "(D) bonded fuel goods as contemplated in rule 21.05A.02;" and
- (c) by the substitution in paragraph (c)(iii) for item (bb) of the following item:
  - "(bb) paragraphs (a)(ii)(ccA)[(dd)] to (gg) must be submitted in paper format as contemplated in paragraph (b)(ii).".

### Insertion of rules

**3.** The following heading and rules are hereby inserted before rule 64E.01:

"Rules numbered 64DA followed by further digits relate, unless the context otherwise indicates, to the licensing of marine removers of bonded fuel goods

### **Definitions**

<u>64DA.01</u> For purposes of these rules and any form to which these rules relate, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise indicates –

"blending", "bonded fuel goods", "bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse", "bunkering", "coasting vessel", "distillate fuel", "foreign-going vessel", "land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse", "petrol", "residual fuel" and "sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse" respectively, has the meaning assigned to it in rule 21.05A.01;

"licensed marine remover" in relation to a movement of bonded fuel goods to or from a bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, means a marine remover licensed in terms of rule 64DA.02(c);

"these rules" means the rules numbered 64DA.

### <u>Licensing of marine removers</u>

- 64DA.02 (a) The following movements of bonded fuel goods on sea must be performed by a licensed marine remover:
  - (i) A movement from a foreign-going vessel to a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for warehousing in such warehouse, or from such warehouse to a foreign-going vessel for export on such vessel; and

- (ii) a movement from a foreign-going vessel to a land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for warehousing in such warehouse, or from such warehouse to a foreign-going vessel for export on such vessel, to another sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for rewarehousing, or to a coasting vessel for use by such vessel.
- (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply where the transfer occurs -
  - (i) by fuel hose directly between a foreign-going vessel and a sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, or from such warehouse to a foreign-going vessel or to another sea-based fuel goods special storage warehouse for re-warehousing; or
  - (ii) by pipeline from a foreign-going vessel to a landbased bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, or from such warehouse to a foreigngoing vessel.
- (c) Any person who intends to operate a vessel for purposes of a movement of bonded fuel goods as contemplated in paragraph (a), must
  - (i) apply for a licence in accordance with rule 60.01A(c)(iii)(bb); and
  - (ii) comply with all the requirements specified on form DA 185 and the relevant annexure, indicating whether the application is in relation to
    - (aa) a licensed marine remover of bonded fuel
      goods removing duty suspended bonded fuel
      goods to or from a bonded fuel goods special
      storage warehouse; or
    - (bb) a licensed marine remover of bonded fuel
      goods removing duty paid bonded fuel goods
      from a land-based bonded fuel goods special
      storage warehouse to a coasting vessel for use

- by such vessel, or to a foreign-going vessel for removal to a BELN country.
- (d) An applicant must, before a licence is issued, furnish any security the Commissioner may require, and if security is furnished in the form of a bond, such bond
  - (i) is subject to the provisions of rules 120.08 and 120.09; and
  - (ii) must be in the form determined by the Commissioner.
- (e) The provisions of section 60(2) and the rules under that section apply with the necessary changes to any refusal of an application for a licence or the renewal, cancellation or suspension of the licence issued in respect of a marine remover of bonded fuel goods.

### <u>Licensing requirements</u>

- 64DA.03 (a) A licence contemplated in rule 64DA.02 is issued subject
  to compliance with all relevant requirements relating to
  approvals, licences or certificates of whatever nature by
  the relevant regulatory and other bodies in relation to
  bunkering operations.
  - (b) A vessel operated by a licensed marine remover for purposes described in rule 64DA.02(a)
    - (i) may not be a foreign-going vessel and must have been duly entered for customs purposes;
    - (ii) may not be used as a storage facility for bonded fuel goods;
    - (iii) must be fitted with flow meters and gauges to accurately monitor the volume of bonded fuel goods received and delivered, which must be tested at regular intervals not exceeding a period of six months and recalibrated if necessary; and

- (iv) must be made available for inspection by an officer at any reasonable time required.
- (c) A licensee must keep or provide access to records contemplated in rule 64DA.08 at the land-based premises of that licensee used for purposes of the business for which the licence was issued and which is indicated on form DA 185.

### Permissible activities in relation to licensed marine removers

- 64DA.04 (a) A licensed marine remover may operate a vessel only for purposes referred to in rule 64DA.02(a).
  - (b) For purposes of paragraph (a), a licenced marine remover must be contracted exclusively for movements in respect of a specific –
    - (i) sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse; or
    - (ii) land-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse.
  - (c) No blending or manufacturing of bonded fuel goods may take place on board a vessel operated by a licensed marine remover.
  - (d) Distillate fuel, residual fuel and petrol must when transported on board a vessel operated by a licensed marine remover, be kept in separate marked tanks.
  - (e) Duty suspended bonded fuel goods contemplated in rule 64DA.02(c)(ii)(aa) may not be transported together with duty paid bonded fuel goods contemplated in rule 64DA.02(c)(ii)(bb).
  - not remain on board a vessel operated by a licensed marine remover for a period longer than seven calendar days, which period may be extended on application to the

Commissioner in accordance with rule 64DA.05 on good grounds shown.

### Application for extension of transportation period

- (a) A licenced marine remover requiring an extension of the transport period referred to in rule 64DA.04(f) must, before expiry of the seven day period, submit an application reflecting the information listed in paragraphs (b), (c) and (d), on its official letterhead or that of its duly authorised representative to the e-mail address indicated on the SARS website for receipt of such applications.
  - (b) The following information must be provided in relation to the licensed marine remover or duly authorised representative:
    - (i) The name and customs and excise client number of the licensed marine remover;
    - (ii) if the notification is submitted by an authorised representative, the name of the representative, and—

      (aa) if the representative is a natural person, such person's
      - (A) SARS tax reference number or, if
        such person does not have a SARS
        tax reference number, the number and
        type of such person's identification
        document; and
      - (B) contact details and any physical and postal addresses in the Republic; or
      - (bb) if the representative is a juristic entity—
        - (A) its SARS tax reference number or, if it
          does not have a SARS tax reference
          number, its registration number or the
          number of its founding document,
          indicating whether the entity is

- incorporated, registered or recognised in terms of the laws of the Republic or another country and, if another country, the name of that country;
- (B) its contact details and any physical and postal addresses in the Republic; and
- (C) the name and contact details of a contact person;
- (c) Full details relating to the relevant vessel operated by the licensed marine remover and the goods on board must be set out, namely
  - (i) the name of the vessel;
  - (ii) the name of the master of the vessel;
  - (iii) a precise description of the goods on board,
    including details of the tanks, the relevant volumes of
    the different types of bonded fuel goods in such tanks
    and whether the goods are duty suspended or duty
    paid;
  - (iv) the destination of the vessel; and
  - (v) the customs and excise client number of the relevant bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse to which the licensed marine remover is contracted and on behalf of which the movement was undertaken.
- (d) The reasons why an extension of the transportation period is required and the period of extension required must be set out.
- (e) The application must be supported by all relevant documents to substantiate information provided in the application, which must be submitted on request.
- (f) The licensed marine remover or authorised representative

  must give any additional information that the

  Commissioner may reasonably subsequently require.

(g) A person who submitted a notification in accordance with this rule is entitled to receive a receipt notification.

# Commissioner to be notified of any accident, breakdown or other act or omission affecting the security of the bonded fuel goods on board

- 64DA.06 (a) A licensed marine remover must without delay notify the

  Commissioner in accordance with rule 64DA.07 of any of
  the following events occurring during the transportation of
  the relevant bonded fuel goods:
  - (i) An accident or incident involving or resulting in the contamination, destruction or diminution of such goods;
  - (ii) a breakdown of the vessel operated by the licensed marine remover or other unforeseen circumstances necessitating the transfer of such goods on to another vessel; or
  - (iii) any other act or omission of whatever nature affecting in any manner the security of such goods.
  - (b) A licensed marine remover who notified the Commissioner as contemplated in paragraph (a) must comply with any directions issued by the Commissioner pursuant to such notification.

### <u>Procedure to be followed to notify Commissioner as contemplated in</u> <u>rules 64DA.06</u>

- 64DA.07 (a) A licensed marine remover must submit a notification
  referred to in rule 64DA.06(a) on its official letterhead
  or that of its duly authorised representative, to the email address indicated on the SARS website for receipt
  of such notifications.
  - (b) A notification referred to in paragraph (a) must reflect the information listed in rule 64DA.05(b) in relation to the licensed marine remover or duly authorised representative.

- (c) The notification must set out full details of the event that occurred during the transportation, including
  - (i) the details listed in rule 64DA.05(c);
  - (ii) a detailed description of the event that occurred;
  - (iii) whether any bonded fuel goods are contaminated,
    destroyed or diminished, need to be transferred
    to another vessel or are not secure; and
  - (vi) the Global Positioning System (GPS) location of the vessel.
  - (d) The notification must be supported by all relevant documents to substantiate information provided in the notification, which must be submitted on request.
  - <u>representative must give any additional information</u>
    <u>relevant to the event reported that the Commissioner</u>
    may subsequently require.
  - (f) A person who submitted a notification in accordance with this rule is entitled to receive a receipt notification.

### Keeping of books, accounts and documents

- 64DA. 08 (a) A licensed marine remover must, at the land-based

  premises contemplated in rule 64DA.03(c) keep or

  provide access to records in a form approved by the

  Controller, and
  - (i) maintain an up to date list of the vessels used for any movement of bonded fuel goods contemplated in rule 64DA.02(a), indicating the date of any deletion or addition, as well as the relevant sea-based or land-based bonded fuel goods special customs storage warehouse to which a particular vessel is contracted;

- (ii) for purposes of section 101 and as required in terms of rule 60.08(2) keep proper books, accounts, documents and any data created by means of a computer, of all transactions relating to any movement of bonded fuel goods contemplated in rule 64DA.02(a) for a period of five years calculated from the end of the calendar year in which any such document was created or lodged;
- (iii) include in such books, accounts and documents any requirements prescribed in any provision of the Act in respect of the activity for which the licence is issued; and
- (iv) produce such books, accounts, documents and data on demand at any reasonable time and submit such particulars in connection with the transactions relating to the removal of bonded fuel goods as the Commissioner may require.
- (b) The books, accounts and documents referred to in subparagraph (a) must include all relevant
  - (i) South African Maritime Safety Authority or Transnet authorisations or permissions, as may be applicable, and any supporting documents relating thereto;
  - (ii) documents relating to the customs entry of the vessel or vessels operated by the licensed marine remover;
  - (iii) documents relating to the ownership, lease or charter of the vessels or vessels operated by the licensed marine remover;
  - (iv) copies of form DA 1 (Report inward for ships) in relation to the foreign-going vessel importing the bonded fuel goods destined for warehousing which are transported by the licensed marine remover to the bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse;

- (v) copies of form DA 1 (Report outwards for ships) in relation to the foreign-going vessel to which the bonded fuel goods are transported for export;
- (vi) delivery instructions from the licensee of the relevant bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse;
- (vii) delivery receipts indicating at least volume, type of product, product grade and product specifications, date and place of delivery and supplier name and details, signed and stamped by the master or the chief engineer of the vessel operated by the licensed marine remover, in the case where bonded fuel goods are received for delivery on board such vessel;
- (viii) delivery receipts in relation to completion of deliveries, indicating at least volume, type of product, product grade and product specifications, date and place of delivery and supplier name and details, signed and stamped by the master or the chief engineer
  - (aa) of the receiving sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, in the case where bonded fuel goods are removed from the importing foreign-going vessel to the relevant warehouse;
  - (bb) of the receiving foreign-going vessel on which
    the bonded fuel goods are to be exported, in
    the case where warehoused bonded fuel
    goods are removed to the foreign-going
    vessel;
  - (cc) of the receiving sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse, in the case where bonded fuel goods are re-warehoused in that sea-based bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse;

- (dd) of the receiving coasting vessel, in the case where warehoused bonded fuel goods are removed to such vessel for use by such vessel;
- (ix) discharge reports;
- (x) flow meter reports, surveyor's reports and forms

  P2.01 (dipping sheet) and ullage measurement reports if applicable, as well as flow meter calibration reports;
- (xi) records of any samples taken before the transfer of bonded fuel goods
  - (aa) from a foreign-going vessel importing the
    bonded fuel goods to the vessel operated by
    the licensed marine remover transporting the
    goods to a sea-based bonded fuel goods
    special storage warehouse; or
  - (bb) from the vessel operated by the licensed marine remover transporting the bonded fuel goods to a foreign-going vessel on which the goods are to be exported, to another seabased bonded fuel goods special storage warehouse for re-warehousing or to a coasting vessel for use by that vessel;
- (xii) voyage logbooks, including details relating to all movements of any vessel operated by the licensed marine remover;
- (xiii) details of any applications in terms of rule 64DA.05 or notifications in terms of rule 64DA.07;
- (xiv) the results of any tests done in respect of the bonded fuel goods transported, if applicable; and
- (xv) any other relevant records or documents as may be specified by the Commissioner.
- (c) Separate records must be kept in relation to the movement of duty suspended and duty paid bonded fuel goods,

differentiating between distillate fuel, residual fuel and petrol.".

### **Amendment of forms**

**4.** Item 202.00 of the Schedule to the rules is hereby amended by the substitution of the following forms:

"DA 185 Application form – Registration/Licensing of Customs and Excise Clients

DA 185.4B4 Licensing client type 4B4: Special storage warehouse"

### Insertion of form

**5.** Item 202.00 of the Schedule to the rules is hereby amended by the insertion of the following form:

"DA 185.B17 Licensing client type 4B17: Marine remover of bonded fuel goods".