

BENEFITS FOR IMPORTERS & EXPORTERS

SI#	Benefits	Authorised Economic Operator (AEO)-T1	Authorised Economic Operator (AEO)-T2	Authorised Economic Operator (AEO)-T3
1	Direct Port Delivery import/export container. No need for the container to be taken to CFS. Expected savings for importer/exporter depends upon the arrangement with CFS, Customs Brokers and the nature and volume of goods imported/exported.	Yes. Savings ranging from Rs.3000 to Rs.15,000/- per container	Yes. Savings ranging from Rs.3000 to Rs.15,000/- per container	Yes. Savings ranging from Rs.3000 to Rs.15,000/- per container
2	Direct payment of THC to terminals instead of routing it through shipping lines (a stay order from the courts for this benefit is in place and hence is not immediately available).	Yes. Saves Rs.5,000 to Rs.10,000/- per container	Yes. Saves Rs.5,000 to Rs.10,000/- per container	Yes. Saves Rs.5,000 to Rs.10,000/- per container
3	Deferred payment of duty i.e. duty need to be paid by 16th and 1 st day of the subsequent month	No	Yes	Yes
4	High level of facilitation	Yes	Yes	Yes
5	Reduction on Bank Guarantee	50% reduction	75% reduction	100% reduction
6	Trade facilitation by foreign Customs administration with whom India enters into a Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA). Under the MRAs, the vendor/buyer will get the same AEO benefits that are eligible to your firm in India.	No	Yes	Yes
7	Investigations, if any, would be completed, in six to nine months	Yes	Yes	Yes
8	Dispute resolution in courts within six months	Yes	Yes	Yes
9	Seal verification/scrutiny of documents by Custom officers would be waived for importers/exporters not opting for DPD/DPE	No	Yes	Yes

10	Faster disbursement of drawback within 72 hours of EGM submission	No	Yes	Yes
11	Refund/rebate of customs/central excise and service tax on submission of all documents	No	Yes. Within 45 days.	Yes Within 30 days.
12	Separate space earmarked in Custodian's premises	Yes	Yes	Yes
13	Facility of self sealment of export goods without the requirement of permission	No	Yes	Yes
14	BEs/SBs will be processed on priority	Yes	Yes	Yes
15	Faster completion of valuation by Special Valuation Branch ('SVB')	No	Yes	Yes
16	Shorter cargo release time	Yes	Yes	Yes
17	Facility to paste MRP stickers in their premises	No	Yes	Yes
18	Reliance by assessing/examining customs officer on self-certified copies without insisting on original documents	No	No	Yes
19	Risk based intervention by other Departments/Agencies	No	No	Yes
20	Access to their consolidated import/export data	No	Yes	Yes
21	Client Relationship Manager" (CRM at the level of Deputy / Assistant Commissioner available at port who will act voice of Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) holder	No	Yes	Yes
22	No Merchant Overtime Fee (MOT) for the services of Customs, after normal working hours or on holidays within the Customs area or at any time at a place beyond Customs area (levied under section 36 of the Customs Act and Customs (Fees for Rendering Services by Customs Officers) Regulations, 1998	Yes	Yes	Yes
23	E-mail regarding arrival/ departure of the vessel carrying their consignments	Yes	Yes	Yes
24	ID cards to authorized personnel of the applicant for hassle free entry to Custom Houses, CFSs and ICDs.	Yes	Yes	Yes

25	Applicant shall not be subjected to regular transactional PCA, instead Onsite Post Clearance Audit (OSPCA) will be conducted (in terms of Sections 17(6) and 157 of the Customs Act, 1962. Section 17(6) of the Customs Act, 1962 and On-Site Post Clearance Regulations (OSPCA) 2011	Yes. Once in two years	Yes. Once in three years	Yes. Once in three years
26	Email regarding arrival/departure of the vessel	Yes	Yes	Yes
27	Containers, if selected for scanning, will be scanned for priority	No	Yes	Scanning only if there is a specific intelligence information
28	Need to submit paperless declarations with no supporting documents	No	Yes	Yes