

## India

The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs of India (CBIC) announced the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transhipment Regulations 2018, which comes into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018.

Under these regulations, Customs will require an Import General Manifest (IGM) to be filed 24 hours before vessels depart from origin ports with goods meant for import into, or transhipment via India. Therefore, Shipping Instructions (SI) will be required to be submitted 7 working days before and Bills of Lading (BL)must be confirmed 3 working days before vessel arrival at Port Klang.

Please note the following:

- 1. These information are mandatory on the SI/BL:
  - a. Final consignee name & full style address and contact details
  - b. Permanent Account Number (PAN) of the consignee
  - c. GSTN
  - d. IEC Code
  - e. In case of upcountry cargo, the exact ICD location & mode of transport
- 2. Should the shipment be consigned to a Bank, the "notify party" column should contain details of the actual consignee and all details as specified in (1).

Kindly note that any amendments submitted after the first submission (prior to vessel departing from Origin port ) will be subject to CBIC penalties, even if the vessel has not arrived at port of destination (POD).

CBIC advisory in reference: Notification No. 38 / 2018-Customs (N.T.) Full details here

