



# Technical Update

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## MEF - Revision of Guidelines for Goods Identification and Inspection Procedures

*(Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF) - Prakas No. 924 issued on 12 December 2023 on Principles and Customs Procedures for Identifying Goods Imports and Exports and Any Goods in Container Storage via a Scanning Machine)*

The Ministry of Economy and Finance issued Prakas No. 924, repealing the old Prakas No. 328 dated 21 March 2019, effective from 1 January 2024. This update is designed to revise the principles and procedures for identifying export, import and transit goods in containers, with a specific focus on the scanning inspection process.

### Key points of the update include:

1. Determination of Goods Subject to Scanner Inspection: Export-import and transit goods must undergo scanning inspection based on risk management principles or at the request of the goods' owner.
2. Exemptions and Selective Inspection: Export-import goods of best trade members, special operators with legal permission, and investors in Special Economic Zones (SEZ) are exempt from scanning inspection. However, they may undergo selective scanning inspection based on a chosen random principle or risk information (risk level) determined by the Customs Administration.
3. Import Procedures: Imported goods using customs regimes for customs clearance at Customs Offices and the Dry Port Authority must go through the scanning system at the dry port as determined by the Customs Administration.
4. Export Goods Handling: Goods such as garments and textiles, investors' goods and other investment project goods that have been inspected before container loading by customs officials are exempted from the scanning inspection upon request of the goods' owner or based on risk level/information determined by the Customs Administration.
5. Scanning fees: Export-import and transit goods in scanned containers are subject to scanning fees according to applicable regulations.

Additionally, the new Prakas extends coverage to "Transit Goods" alongside export-import goods, unlike the old Prakas, and eliminates specific exemptions for goods from scanning fees, differing from the old Prakas that allowed exemptions for certain goods.

We urge you to review these updates carefully to ensure compliance with the revised guidelines.

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