

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 540

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE CUSTOMS ACT, CHAP. 78:01

ORDER

MADE BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER SECTION 44 OF THE
CUSTOMS ACT

THE PROHIBITION (CARRIAGE COASTWISE, IMPORTATION
AND EXPORTATION) ORDER, 2026

1. This Order may be cited as the Prohibition (Carriage Coastwise, Citation
Importation and Exportation) Order, 2026.

2. The Prohibition (Carriage Coastwise, Importation and Exportation) Order is amended in the Third Schedule—
G.N. No. 4 of
1953

(a) in the heading entitled “Goods requiring export licences” in
item 1, by deleting the words—

(i) “copper,”; and

(ii) “non-ferrous scrap and old metal, scrap and waste
zinc,”; and

(b) by inserting after the item entitled “Teak, Timber and Pine
Logs”, the following item:

“Copper

1. The exportation of copper is prohibited except by
manufacturers licensed by the Minister with responsibility
for trade, to export copper as a by-product of manufacturing
articles or as surplus materials not required for
manufacturing them.

2. A manufacturer shall be eligible for a licence to export
copper pursuant to paragraph 1 where—

(a) the manufacturer provides a letter indicating the
source from which the copper was obtained and
detailing—

(i) the type, value and weight of copper raw
material imported or purchased locally; and

(ii) the quantity of copper being exported, which
should not exceed the quantity of copper raw
material imported or purchased locally;

(b) the manufacturer provides a packing list or
invoice which details the specific description,
quantity and value of the copper being exported;

- (c) a site visit is conducted by the Trade Licence Unit of the Ministry with responsibility for trade to ensure that the manufacturer is involved in manufacturing and generating copper as either—
 - (i) a by-product of manufacturing articles; or
 - (ii) surplus material not required for manufacturing articles;
- (d) on or after the coming into force of this paragraph, the manufacturer submits to an inspection by the Customs and Excise Division of the copper to be exported, whether or not the copper had previously been inspected by the Customs and Excise Division; and
- (e) in the case of a manufacturer who is a first time applicant for a licence to export copper pursuant to paragraph 1, the manufacturer provides a company profile which includes—
 - (i) the type of business activity;
 - (ii) the sourcing of input;
 - (iii) its processes;
 - (iv) its products;
 - (v) its by-products; and
 - (vi) its production levels; and
- (f) in the case of a manufacturer who is a repeat applicant for a licence to export copper pursuant to paragraph 1, the manufacturer provides—
 - (i) an account of the utilisation of the last licence issued; and
 - (ii) copies of its shipping documents, such as the export of shipment, CARICOM invoice and Bill of Lading.”.

Commencement 3. This Order comes into effect on 10th July, 2026.

Duration 4. This Order expires on 9th July, 2027.

Dated this 10th day of July, 2026.

C. HEMLEE
Secretary to Cabinet