

PUBLIC NOTICE PRINTING OF BILL OF ENTRY RELEASE ORDERS AND STAMPING OF BILLS OF ENTRY AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Zimbabwe Revenue Authority (ZIMRA) would like to advise all clearing agents and the public that in a bid to curb the spread of COVID 19, the organisation reviewed the commercial clearance process. With effect from 17 August 2020, ZIMRA will no longer be performing the following functions:

- 1. Release of bills of entry in the system and printing release orders.
- 2. Stamping bills of entry and supporting documents.

Clearing agents have been given access rights to release assessed bills of entry in the system and print release orders. Under the reviewed process clearing agents will no longer be required to submit printed bills of entry and supporting documents to the Commercial Office for printing of release order and stamping. They should however, submit to ZIMRA the printed release order and bills of entry together with the supporting documents for release of the trucks.

It is envisaged that these changes in procedure will result in the following benefits:

- 1. Reduction in the risk of spreading COVID 19 due to elimination of contact between ZIMRA staff and clients.
- 2. Improved bill of entry turnaround time.
- 3. Reduction in cost of doing business by the trading public and clearing agents.

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