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#### PREFACE.

The purpose of this Code of Customs Regulations and Procedure is to present in a clear and concise form and in orderly arrangement all those rules and regulations which at various times have been approved by the Government and which are actually in force, as well as details of Customs general procedure—as distinct from local practice—which by long prevalence has become fully established and is now accepted as having the force of Customs law.

The regulations, rulings, and procedure detailed in this Code are to be strictly observed at all ports and by all Commissioners and employees of the Customs. Deviation from such compliance is permissible only on express authority given in writing by the Inspectorate. Port practices established and authorised before the publication of this Code are not to be altered or abolished, and no new practices are to be introduced without authority from the Inspectorate.

Commissioners and heads of departments are to see that all Customs employees on their staff familiarise themselves with the contents of this Code, and particularly with those chapters and paragraphs pertaining to the specific duties to which such employees are assigned.

The greatest care has been taken to ensure accuracy and comprehensiveness, but it is not to be expected that a work covering such a mass of detail, both in statements and in references, should be completely free from errors or omissions. If any such are discovered, they should be notified at once to the Inspectorate so that they may be corrected in future editions.

Users of this Code are advised to keep it up to date by inserting in their proper place the *Addenda et Corrigenda* which are issued officially from time to time in printed form.

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#### § 1. Coast and River Ports open to Foreign Trade.

The following ports on the coast and on the Yangtze and West Rivers are for the present open for trade to and from foreign countries to vessels of foreign type of all flags provided, in the case of steam and motor vessels, that they are of 100 tons 1 register or over and to Chinese junks provided they have a capacity of 200 piculs,2 or 20 tons 1.1. P. 11 . . l.

gross tonnage, or over:—	istic Hupeh	
Chinwangtao (秦王島) <sup>3</sup>	Ichang(宜	昌)12
with sub-office	Shasi(沙	市)13
at Shanhaikwan (山海關)4	Changsha 用用 Hung	沙)11
Tientsin(天 津) <sup>5</sup>	Yochow! (岳	州)3
with sub-office	Hankowi纠片(漢	$\Box$ )14
at Tangku (塘 沽)	Kiukiang 评的 (九	$(I)^{14}$
Lungkow (龍 口) <sup>6</sup>	Wuhu 才.微, Anhwe (蕪	湖)12
Chefoo (烟 台) <sup>7</sup>	Nanking江 (南	京)15
Weihaiwei (威海衞)8	Pukow'Kings"(浦	$\Box$ )16
Tsingtao(青島)9	Chinkiang ! (鎮	江)14
Chungking (重 慶)10	Woosung.:'(吳	淞)17
Wanhsien (萬 縣)11	Shanghai (_E	海)18
Saechwan Din		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cir. 4166.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cirs. 4969, 5161.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Cirs. 822, 4150.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Cir. 4502.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Con. Pkg.: Br. IV; Fr. VII.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Cir. 2455.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Tr. Tn.: Fr. vi; Br. xi.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Cir. 4130. — Br. Con. Whw. xvi (Cir. 4138).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Ger. Con. Kch. — Ger. Customs Ag. Kch. — Cirs. 894, 2407. — Wash. Tr. rel. Shtg. XII, XIII, An. III (Cir. 3310).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Br. Chk. Ag. 1. — Jap. Tr. Shim. vi.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Br. Com. Tr. 1902, VIII, § 12.

<sup>12</sup> Br. Chf. Ag. § 111.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Jap. Tr. Shim. vi.
<sup>14</sup> Tr. Tn.: Br. Port. x; Ger. vi;
Dan. xi; Neth. ii; Sp. v; Jap. Trade
Regs. i.—Tr. Pkg.: Belg. It. xi; Au. VIII.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Tr. Tn.: Fr. vi; Dan. xi. — Tr. Pkg.: Belg. It. XI.

<sup>16</sup> Cir. 3506.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Ger. Supp. Con. 1880, 1; Cir. 822. <sup>18</sup> Br. Tr. Nk. 11. — Am. Tr. Wg. 111. — Fr. Tr. Whp. II.

	Soochow (蘇 州) <sup>1</sup> Hangchow 州 ··· (杭 州) <sup>1</sup>	Swatow(汕 Whampoa處凍(黃	頭) <sup>8</sup> 埔) <sup>9</sup>
	Ningpo Chekiany (寧 波)2	Canton(廣	$\mathcal{H})^2$
	Wenchow \(\frac{1}{2}\) (温 州) <sup>3</sup>	Chungshan ."(中	山)10
	Santuao My fukien(三都澳)4	Kongmoon .:' (江	門)11
*	with sub-office	with sub-office	
	at Tungchung 5 (東 冲)6	at Wangmoon 5 (橫	門)12
	PagodaAnchorage (羅星塔)	Samshuiリ (三	水)13
	Foochow (福 州) <sup>2</sup>	Wuchow Kwarissi (梧	州)13
	with sub-office	Nanning.屬. 心. /. (南	寧)14
	at Kuant'ou <sup>5</sup> (琯 頭) <sup>7</sup>	Kiungchow展. 耒. (瓊	州)8 KW
	Amoy(廈 門) <sup>2</sup>	Pakhoi	海)3

The ports of Aigun, Antung, Dairen, Harbin, Lungchingtsun, and Newchwang are at present not under Chinese Customs control.

The harbour limits of each Open Port, which are defined after consultation between the Customs and the local authorities, <sup>15</sup> may be ascertained on application to the Commissioner or the Harbour Master at each port concerned.

#### § 2. Land and Frontier Ports open to Foreign Trade.

The following places on or near the land frontiers are for the present open to merchants of all nationalities for the purposes of residence and trade:— >

The Customs establishment at the frontier port of Yatung <sup>22</sup> (亞東), Tibet, has been withdrawn since September 1913.

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<sup>1</sup> Jap. Tr. Shim. vi.
                                                              <sup>13</sup> Br. Burma Con. 1897, Spec. Art.
 <sup>2</sup>Br. Tr. Nk. 11.—Am. Tr. Wg. 111.—
                                                              <sup>14</sup> Cir. 1403.
     Fr. Tr. Whp. 11.
                                                              15 Tr. Tn.: Br. Fr. Dan. Rules of Trade
 <sup>3</sup>Br. Chf. Ag. § 111.
                                                                   No. 6; Jap. Trade Regs. XIII. — Tr.
 <sup>4</sup>Cirs. 822, 4150.
                                                                   Pkg.: Belg. It. Rules of Trade No. 6.
                                                             <sup>16</sup> Fr. Com. Con. 1887, II.
<sup>17</sup> Cirs. 4354, 4396. (The Mengtsz Com-
 <sup>5</sup>These sub-offices are not open to
     direct foreign trade.
 <sup>6</sup> Cir. 4350.
                                                                   missioner of Customs resides at
 <sup>7</sup> Cir. 4469.
                                                                   Yünnanfu.)
 <sup>8</sup>Tr. Tn.: Fr. vi; Br. xi.
                                                              <sup>18</sup> Fr. Com. Con. 1895, 11.
                                                              19 Cirs. 1806, 4396.
 <sup>9</sup> Cir. 172. — For regs. vide Appendix 10.
<sup>10</sup> Desp. 129248 to Lappa.—Cir. 4391.
                                                              <sup>20</sup> Fr. Com. Con. 1895, III.
<sup>11</sup>Br. Com. Tr. 1902, VIII, § 12.
                                                              <sup>21</sup> Br. Burma Con. 1897, XIII.
                                                              <sup>22</sup> Br. Sik. Tib. Con. 1890, Regs., Art. I.
<sup>12</sup> Cir. 1347.
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#### § 3. Customs Stations at Land Frontiers.

The following Customs stations control the trade between China and Indo-China and between China and Burma:—

	Szema	o. Yunnan	思茅	雲角
Menglien (孟	連)	Menglung	(猛	籠)
Iwu(易	武)	Kamlampa		壩)
Mengma (猛	馬)	Mengpeng	120	搻)
Nanchiao(南	嶠)	Chiangcheng	10 juniore contra	城)
Talo(打	洛)	Shangyung		勇)
*	Tengyu	EH. Tengollung	膝越	<b>鍾</b> )
Niuchuanho (牛		Manwyne	(轡	允)1
Chêtao(遮	島)1	Manhsien		線)1
Changfeng (Win-		Shamulung (Sur		
ter)(璋	鳳)1	mer)	(杉 木	體)1
Wanting (婉	丁)2	Mêngka	and the second	夏)1
Lungling (龍	陵)1	Nahsang	586 50.	$\mathfrak{A}$ ) <sup>1</sup>
Mengting (Win-		Mêngsa (Sur		
ter) (孟	定) <sup>1</sup>	mer)		撒) <sup>1</sup>
and with barriers at—				
Malipa (麻 戛	栗 埧) <sup>1</sup>	Chansi	(盞	西)1
Lasa (腊	撒)1	ą.		
W.	-0.50	彦	中	

## § 4. Maritime Customs Stations in the Canton Delta.

Steam and motor vessels (including self-propelled lighters) of less than 100 tons register, of all flags and with tows, are for the present permitted, under special regulations, to trade between Hongkong and Macao and ports open to foreign trade in the Canton Delta on condition that such vessels stop at one or other of the undermentioned Maritime Customs stations for the examination of cargo and the payment of duty:—

Lintin	(伶	仃)3	Malowchow	(馬	溜	$)^3$
Taishan	(大	鏟)3	Chienshan	(前		川)3

Steam and motor vessels (including self-propelled lighters) of 100 tons register or over, when not engaged in towing, are for the present permitted to trade direct between Hongkong, Macao, and Open Ports under General Regulations.

(For Provisional Regulations governing steam and motor vessel towed traffic between Hongkong and the Canton Delta, vide Chapter XII, § 9, p. 125.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Desp. 1422/159727.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Desp. 1483/166405.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cirs. 4166, 4207, 4391.

#### § 5. Kowloon, Lappa, and Luichow Customs Stations.

For the protection of China's revenue on the frontiers of the leased territories of Kowloon, Macao, and Kwangchowwan the following frontier guard posts and/or revenue-collecting stations, in addition to those mentioned in § 4, have been established:—

KOWLOON DISTRICT. 九豁

	KOWLOON .	DISTRICT. 心能
Shekow (蛇 Kwaimiao (桂 Shatau (沙 Shumchun River (深 Shumchun Railway Station (深 Lofong (深 Shatowkok (沙 Yimtin (鹽	川車站) <sup>2</sup> 坊) <sup>2</sup>	Kaichung (溪 涌)²         Shaüchung (沙 魚 涌)²         Tipfuk (疊 福)²         Namo (南 澳)²         Samun (三 門)²         Swabue (汕 尾)³         Kowloon Rail-way Station (九龍車站)²
,	LAPPA DI	STRICT.
Kwanchak (關 Shekok (石	閘) <sup>4</sup> 角) <sup>4</sup>	V.17
į.		
ĕ.	Luichow I	DISTRICT.
	Stations	(12).7
Onpo (安Wongpo (黄Chiliu (芷Macheung (蔴Fookhin (滿Taifou (大	舖) 坊) 章建 阜)	Saichungmei (西 涌 尾) Shentong (沈 塘) Shingyueh (城 月) Luichow (雷 州) Muiluk (梅 菉) Shuitung (水 東)
	Barriers	(3).7
Shuangchi (雙 Tinpak (電	溪) '白)	Pokho (博 賀)
<sup>1</sup> Cir. 5394. <sup>2</sup> Cirs. 418, 917. <sup>3</sup> Cir. 4717.	<sup>4</sup> Cir. 418. <sup>5</sup> Cir. 4868.	<sup>6</sup> Cir. 5044. <sup>7</sup> Cirs. 5173, 5212, 5247.

#### § 6. Ports of Call.

The following ports of call are for the present open under special regulations to steam and motor vessels for the shipping and discharge of cargo as well as of passengers (unless otherwise stated):—

On the Grand Canal (Between Shanghai and Hangchow).

All Flags.

Kashing ....... (嘉 興)¹

On the Lower Yangtze (between Woosung and Hankow).

All Flags. Kiangyin 上. 斯 Liungsa Hukow . . . . . . . . (湖 陰)2 口)4 Nantunghsien ... (南通縣)<sup>3</sup> Wusüeh 河北.... (武 穴)4 formerly Tung-Lukikow . . . . . . (陸溪口)<sup>4</sup> chow.....(通 州) Tayeh (for certain Anking 形然 (知hwei (安 慶)45 privileged vessels Tatung .....リ... (大 誦)4 and for cargo only) (大 Huangshihchiang. (黃石港)6 Hupei Chinese Flag only.

Liuchiatu ...... (劉家渡)8

On the Upper Yangtze (Between Ichang and Chungking).

Chinese Flag only.

7 <u>—</u> 21		0 5		
Patung (E	见 東) <sup>9</sup>	Chungchow	(忠	州)9
Wushan (A	区 山) <sup>9</sup>	Fengtu		都)9
Kweifu	<b></b>	Fowchow		州 ) <sub>8</sub>
or Fengchieh (Z	<b>を 節)</b>	Changshow	(長	壽)9
Yünyang (§	层陽)9			

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ON THE WEST RIVER.

All Flags.

Kumchuk	(甘 竹	)10 Lotinghou	 (羅定	$\Box$ ) <sup>11</sup>
Paktouhou	(白土口	) <sup>11</sup> Takhing .		慶)10
Shiuhing	(肇 慶			城)11
Yungki	(容 奇	$^{12}$	IX SEE	2247

(For regulations governing the shipping and landing of merchandise at ports of call, vide Chapter XII, §2, p. 117.)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Cirs. 4757, 4916.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Cir. 4981; vide also infra, § 8, 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cirs. 1697, 3379.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Br. Chf. Ag. § 111. — Cir. 27.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Opened as a treaty port by Br. Com. Tr. 1902, VIII, § 12; but no Custom House established.

<sup>6</sup> Cirs. 826, 868, 5158.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Cir. 1745.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Desp. 141343 to Wuhu.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Cir. 4273.

<sup>10</sup> Br. Burma Con. 1897, Spec. Art.

<sup>11</sup> Br. Com. Tr. 1902, x.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Cir. 5223.

#### § 7. Passenger Stations.

The following passenger stations are for the present open to steam and motor vessels of all flags solely for the landing and shipping of passengers and their luggage:—

#### ON THE YANGTZE.

Luchingchiang (蘆涇港) <sup>1</sup> Tienhsingchiao (天星橋) <sup>1</sup> Kowan (口岸) <sup>2</sup> Iching (儀徵) <sup>13</sup> Tichiang (荻港) <sup>4</sup>	Hwayangchen (華陽 Chichow (蘄 Hwangchow (黃 Hsinti (新 Chinghokow (荆 滔	州) <sup>5</sup> 州) <sup>13</sup> 堤) <sup>1</sup>
On the W	EST RIVER.	
Yungki       (容 奇)6         Mahning       (馬 寧)6         Kaukong       (九 江)6         Kulow       (古 勞)6         Wingon       (永 安)6	Howlik	瀝)6 步)6 城都)6 利)6

Passengers' baggage must not contain articles subject to duty, and the presence of dutiable articles will render the whole liable to confiscation.

# § 8. Stations open to Chinese Junks trading to and from Foreign Countries.<sup>7</sup>

Chinese junks, except as indicated below, are forbidden to engage in direct trade between foreign countries and China.

The following places have been for the present declared open by the Government as Maritime Customs stations, which are to exercise control over junk (and/or land) traffic generally and to and from which (in addition to the Open Ports and stations mentioned in §§ 1, 4, and 5 above) Chinese junks of not less than 200 piculs capacity may engage in trade with a foreign country and at which they may ship and discharge cargo on payment of duty:—

## 1. CHINWANGTAO CUSTOMS DISTRICT.

Stations (2).

Shanhaikwan ... (山海關) Yanghok'ou.... (羊河口)

<sup>1</sup> Cir. 868.	<sup>6</sup> Br. Com. Tr. 1902, x.
<sup>2</sup> Cir. 3329.	<sup>7</sup> Cirs. 4401, 4454, 4466, 4502, 4513, 4528,
<sup>3</sup> Cir. 826.	4644, 4868, 4933, 5032, 5044, 5064, 5097,
<sup>4</sup> Cir. 3188.	5119, 5120, 5126, 5161, 5163, 5173, 5176,
<sup>5</sup> Cir. 3378.	5177, 5179, 5235, 5247.

2. Tientsin Custo	oms District.		
Stations	(3).		
Tangshan(唐山) <sup>1</sup> Tangku(塘 沽)  3. CHEFOO CUSTO	Peitang(北 塘)		
3. CHEFOO CUSTO	MS DISTRICT.		
Station	(1).		
Hsishank'ou	. (繋 山口)		
Barrier (	(1).		
Chefoo Bluff	(芝 罘 島)²		
3 (a). LUNGKOW SUB-CUSTOMS DISTRICT.			
Stations	(13).		
Hsiayingk'ou(下營口) Yehk'ou(掖口) Haimiaohou(海廟後) Heichiangk'ou(黑港口)	A CONTACT		
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	Shawotao (沙 窩 島) Ch'üko (曲 各)		
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4. Tsingtao Cust	OMS DISTRICT.		
Stations			
Jushank'ou(乳山口)	Chink'ou(金 口) Small Harbour (青島小港) Lienyünchiang (連 雲 港) <sup>3</sup>		
Barrier (1).			
Chihwang <sup>2</sup> (柘 旺)			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Land station on Pei-Ning Railway.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> These barriers have been established for preventive purposes only, and junks registered for foreign trade are only allowed to call at them after having reported at a Maritime Customs station where duty has been levied on their cargo.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> For duty treatment of native goods shipped from Lienyünchiang by I.W.S.N. steamer to an Open Port via another Open Port, vide Chap. XI, § 6, p. 110.