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Para 2.62(a) provides that Certificates of Origin for exports from India can only be issued by agencies authorized by DGFT, in the manner DGFT prescribes, and that IEC holders use the same invoice numbers in CoOs and Shipping Bills; the Approved Exporter Scheme text becomes Para 2.62(b).

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Notification No. 05/2026-27 (S.O. 1806(E)), dated April 7, 2026, amends Para 2.62 in Chapter 2 of the Foreign Trade Policy 2023 with immediate effect.

A new Para 2.62(a), "Issuance of Certificates of Origin", provides that Certificates of Origin (CoO) for exports from India can only be issued by agencies authorized by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade, and that the authorized agencies shall issue CoOs in a manner prescribed by DGFT from time to time. All IEC holders availing CoOs shall use the same invoice numbers in both CoOs and the corresponding Shipping Bills to enable automated verification.

The existing text of Para 2.62, "Approved Exporter Scheme for Self-Certification of Certificate of Origin", is retained in the same words as Para 2.62(b), sub-paras (i) to (iv). It covers eligibility of manufacturers who are also Status Holders, their recognition by DGFT as Approved Exporters under Para 2.94 of the Handbook of Procedures read with Appendix 2F, and the scheme coming into effect only when India incorporates it into a specific agreement and it is notified by DGFT.

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Before	Para 2.62 contained only the Approved Exporter Scheme for Self-Certification of Certificate of Origin.
After	Para 2.62(a) provides that Certificates of Origin for exports from India can only be issued by agencies authorized by DGFT, in the manner DGFT prescribes, and that IEC holders use the same invoice numbers in CoOs and Shipping Bills; the Approved Exporter Scheme text becomes Para 2.62(b).
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Conditions	• Certificates of Origin (CoO) for exports from India can only be issued by agencies authorized by the Directorate General of

Foreign Trade.

- The authorized agencies shall issue CoOs in a manner as prescribed by DGFT from time to time.
- All IEC holders availing CoOs shall use the same invoice numbers in both CoOs and corresponding Shipping Bills to enable automated verification.
- Under the Approved Exporter Scheme, self-certification is permitted only for goods manufactured as per the Industrial Entrepreneurs Memorandum (IEM) / Industrial License (IL) / Letter of Intent (LOI) issued to manufacturers.
- The Approved Exporter Scheme comes into effect only when India incorporates the scheme into a specific agreement with its partner/s and the same is notified by DGFT.

Applies to	Exporters and IEC holders availing Certificates of Origin for exports from India, and the agencies authorized to issue them.
Issued under	Section 5 of the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992, as amended from time to time, read with Para 1.02 of the Foreign Trade Policy 2023
Signed by	LAV AGARWAL, Director General of Foreign Trade & Ex-Officio Addl. Secy.

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Description	Before	After
Para 2.62 of the Foreign Trade Policy 2023	2.62 Approved Exporter Scheme for Self-Certification of Certificate of Origin, sub-paras (i) to (iv).	2.62 (a) Issuance of Certificates of Origin: (i) Certificates of Origin (CoO) for exports from India can only be issued by agencies authorized by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade. (ii) The authorized agencies shall issue CoOs in a manner as prescribed by DGFT from time to time. (iii) All IEC holders availing CoOs shall use the same invoice numbers in both CoOs and corresponding Shipping Bills to enable automated verification. (b) Approved Exporter Scheme for Self-Certification of Certificate of Origin, sub-paras (i) to (iv), in the words of the existing Para.

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