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DGFT Notification No. 35/2026-27 makes wheat under ITC (HS) 10011900 and 10019910 free to export at once; Notification No. 34 does the same for wheat flour.

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The notification revises the export policy of two lines from "Prohibited" to "Free": ITC (HS) 10011900, "Durum Wheat: -- Other", and 10019910, "Wheat". It says the export policy of these items "shall accordingly be 'Free' with immediate effect", and its Effect paragraph says the same. It sets no condition, quantity or end date. It is signed by Lav Agarwal, Director General of Foreign Trade and Ex-Officio Additional Secretary, under F. No. 01/91/180/032/AM22/EC/Pt-E-31336.

A companion notification of the same date, No. 34/2026-27, S.O. 4716(E), published in Gazette No. 4531 of August 25, 2026 (CG-DL-E-27082026-275777), does the same for wheat flour. Under the same powers, it revises ITC (HS) 1101 0000, "Wheat or Meslin Flour (Atta), Maida, Samolina (Rava / Sirgi), Wholemeal atta and resultant atta", from "Prohibited" to "Free" with immediate effect.

Neither notification mentions export quotas, the authorizations issued under them, or any policy condition. Neither refers to three earlier wheat documents on DGFT's lists. Public Notice No. 49/2025-26 of February 24, 2026 and Public Notice No. 05/2026-27 of April 30, 2026 are both titled "Modalities for export of Wheat". Trade Notice No. 18/2026-27 of August 10, 2026 asked exporters who were issued wheat export authorizations under those two public notices to send a Chartered Accountant's utilization certificate by August 31, 2026.

Notification No. 35/2026-27 does not say what happens to authorizations already issued or to the certificates due on August 31, 2026. On October 28, 2026, DGFT's lists of notifications, public notices and trade notices showed no later document on the export of wheat or wheat flour.

Issued by	Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Document	Notification No. 35/2026-27, S.O. 4715(E)
Dated	August 24, 2026

Published	Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii), No. 4530, August 25, 2026; e-Gazette copy CG-DL-E-27082026-275783, signed August 27, 2026
Takes effect	Immediately ("with immediate effect")
Applies to	Exports of wheat under ITC (HS) 10011900 and 10019910, Schedule 2 of the ITC (HS) Export Policy
Export policy	Revised from Prohibited to Free
Conditions or quantity limits	None stated
Related	Notification No. 34/2026-27, S.O. 4716(E), August 24, 2026 (Gazette No. 4531, August 25, 2026): ITC (HS) 1101 0000, "Wheat or Meslin Flour (Atta), Maida, Samolina (Rava / Sirgi), Wholemeal atta and resultant atta", revised from Prohibited to Free with immediate effect
Earlier documents, not mentioned	Public Notice No. 49/2025-26 (February 24, 2026) and Public Notice No. 05/2026-27 (April 30, 2026), both "Modalities for export of Wheat"; Trade Notice No. 18/2026-27 (August 10, 2026), utilization certificates due August 31, 2026
Legal basis	Section 5 read with Section 3, Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992; paras 1.02 and 2.01, Foreign Trade Policy, 2023
Signed by	Lav Agarwal, Director General of Foreign Trade & Ex-Officio Additional Secy.
File number	F. No. 01/91/180/032/AM22/EC/Pt-E-31336

Export policy of wheat and wheat flour, as amended

ITC (HS) code	Description	Existing export policy	Revised export policy	Notification
10011900	Durum Wheat: -- Other	Prohibited	Free	No. 35/2026-27
10019910	Wheat	Prohibited	Free	No. 35/2026-27
1101 0000	Wheat or Meslin Flour (Atta), Maida, Samolina (Rava / Sirgi), Wholemeal atta and resultant atta	Prohibited	Free	No. 34/2026-27

The notification (PDF, 1.1 MB)

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