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§ 148.0 Scope.

This part contains the regulations governing the allowance of exemptions for residents and nonresidents arriving in the United States, for crewmembers of carriers engaged in international traffic, for military and civilian employees of the United States, for certain evacuees, and for certain personnel of foreign governments and international organizations. Procedures and requirements are also set forth pertaining to registration of articles to be taken abroad, declaration

and entry, and examination of baggage, and collection of duties and taxes.

Subpart A—General Provisions

§ 148.1 Registration of effects to be taken abroad.

(a) *Persons who may use procedure.* Any person, except a nonresident seaman, airman, or person engaged in similar employment, who intends to take effects of foreign origin abroad may register such articles before departure from the United States in order to facilitate their identification on return to the United States. Only articles of foreign origin having serial numbers or other distinctive, permanently affixed unique markings can be registered.

(b) *Procedures for registration.* Applicants for registration of articles of foreign origin shall present the articles, together with a completed, but unsigned, Customs Form 4457, which may be obtained in advance of departure, to a Customs officer. After the Customs officer has examined the articles and verified their description, he shall have the applicant sign the form. The Customs officer shall then sign the form and return it to the applicant for presentation on return of the articles. Customs form 4455 may be required in any case in which Customs form 4457 will not adequately serve the purpose of registration.

(c) *Presentation on return and reuse.* The form shall be presented to the Customs officer when the registered articles are returned to the United States. The form shall be valid for reuse as long as the document is legible to identify the registered articles.

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§ 148.2 Residence status of arriving persons.

(a) *General.* Persons arriving from foreign countries shall be divided into two classes for Customs purposes:

(1) Residents of the United States returning from abroad, and

(2) All other persons, hereinafter referred to as nonresidents.

(b) *Status as returning resident.* Citizens of the United States, or persons