

GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG Administration des douanes et accises

ICS Information for Economic Operators

Dear carrier and others to whom this message may concern,

As from the 1st January 2011, the economic operator (the carrier or his representative) shall submit an electronic entry summary declaration (ENS) for security and safety reasons at the first office of entry of the territory of the European Union. This ENS must be transmitted within the time limits foreseen by legislation.

In Luxembourg, eDouane **ICS (Import Control System)** is the electronic application that allows the economic operator to submit the ENS in order to comply with the legal obligations as laid down by legislation.

The ENS must be transmitted by the use of the electronic data processing techniques (ICS project) as defined on our webpage.

The Member States and the Commission have agreed that, due to the economic crisis and the fact that several economic operators were not in a position to lodge the ENS as from 1st January 2011, a so called **'grace period'** had been granted to trade for the first 6 months of the implementation, *i.e.*, **until 30**th **June 2011**.

During this grace period, an economic operator will not be subject to penalties for a failure to comply with the legal obligation to lodge the ENS *provided* the operator is able to demonstrate that the failure is due to factors outside of his reasonable control.

This grace period will end on the 30th June 2011. From that date forward, the carrier or his representative will be obliged to transmit the ENS to customs.

LEGAL BASE:

- Regulation (EC) No 648/2005 amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/1992 http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2005:117:0013:0019:EN:PDF
- Implementing provisions Commission Regulation 1875/2006 amending Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93 laying down provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 establishing the Community Customs Code http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2006:360:0064:0125:EN:PDF

WEBPAGE:

http://www.do.etat.lu/edouanes/eDouane_ICS/ICS.htm

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