XML MESSAGES FOR TRANSIT / VERSION 1.2 AMENDMENT 4

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Customs has shifted from paper declarations to electronic declarations for T transits. Transit declarations can be made either using EDI messages or web based declarations. Using the messages described in these message implementing guidelines T and TIR transits can be started and ended (paper document is still used in parallel with the electronic declaration for TIR transits).

These message implementing guidelines contain descriptions for messages between Finnish customs and traders. EDI messages betweens Customs and traders are used both for starting and ending transits. A form is used as the transit accompanying document. The form is also sent as a pdf file.

Further information regarding the transit procedure and web declarations can be obtained from Customs' web site at www.tulli.fi.

VERSION HISTORY

Version and date	Reason for amendment	File and reference
1.0 30.10.2013	First published version	All
1.1 15.4.2014	Amendment of errors discovered during pilot phase	3_NCTS_en 4_NCTS
1.2 13.4.2015	Correction of noticed deficiencies	3_NCTS_en 4_NCTS
1.2 amendment 1 21.11.2016	Correction of refusal message	4_NCTS
1.2 amendment 2 22.5.2017	Correction of schemas and guide for message interchange	2_NCTS_en 4_NCTS
1.2 amendment 3 20.10.2017	Correction of noticed deficiencies	3_NCTS_en
1.2 amendment 4 22.1.2018	Correction of the FITREQ-message	3_NCTS_en 4_NCTS

Changes in the documentation have been highlighted in yellow.

The following changes have been made in version 1.2 amendment 4:

1. Local reference number (LRN has been changed from mandatory to option on the message for requirement for further information.

Regarding the information provided in the messages and pdf documents

Traders are identified by Business ID and trader identifications issued by Customs. Customs sends response messages based on the identification on the declaration message. Customs' Business ID (FI0245442-8) is used as Customs' identification.

In data element ControlReferenceID, the trader enters a control reference which is defined by Customs (an14). In the beginning of the control reference is a 5-6 character trader abbreviation, followed by a reference number with leading zeros (e.g. FIRMA000000001).

The message identification (an..14) entered in data element MessageReferenceID is free for the trader to choose over. Trader's message identification is used as identification for Customs' response messages.

The accompanying document which is sent as a pdf file contains the information listed in appendixes 45A and 45B in the Community Customs Code implementing provisions.

Goods items for transit are to be entered in sequence.

In simplified procedure the due date for presentation at destination is entered on the transit declaration (FITDEC). Term date and time is stated on error messages (FITERR) for the time limit of correction and on requirement for further information (FITREQ) for the time limit for providing the requested information.

Acknowledgements

The trader mainly carries the responsibility of monitoring data interchange, i.e. the trader has to look after that all sent messages receive a response.

Customs' system checks that every message sent to Customs conforms to the XML standard and the standards set by Customs. At least one response message is always sent the EDI sender as acknowledgement for the checks the system made. For errors either a refusal message or an error message is sent. For further information regarding message, please see the guide for message exchange.

Presentation of data

The character set used is UTF-8.

XML SCHEMAS USED FOR ASSISTANCE IN CREATING MESSAGES

Schemas used by Customs may be used for building XML messages to be sent to Customs' import system. They are linked together in the manner described below.