

2011 Security Measurements taken by the European Community for goods entering the EU



We would like to draw your attention that as of January 2011, any type of merchandise going to and/or passing by European ports are subject to new regulation (regardless of its final destination).

It is imperative to:

a. Describe the nature of the goods as accurate as possible. For example:

NOT ACCEPTED

Auto Parts
Foodstuff
Machine

ACCEPTED

Automobile Brakes, Windshield Glass for Auto
Orange Beverages
Pump and Engine

b. Provide for each commodity the H.S. Tariff Code

c. Provide full address and contact details of the supplier, consignee and notify party.

c. Make sure the containers are properly (bolt) sealed upon presentation at the export terminal

Based on the information provided to the E.U. customs they can take following decisions

- a. To refuse the loading on board the vessel
- b. To have the goods inspected at the first port of call of the E.U.
- c. To have the goods inspected at the final port of discharge
- d. To release goods without inspection !!

This doesn't implicate that customs at final destination can't decide to examine the cargo nevertheless.

Information on the goods should be submitted at least 24H00 hours before loading of the vessel, and this in order to avoid/reduce the % of inspections.

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