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LATEST NEWS

Update: May 1, 2015 ACE Mandatory Use Date
The deadline for ACE Air Import Manifest continues to be May 1st and CBP will continue routing trade manifest submissions to both ACE Air Manifest and the legacy Automated Manifest System (AMS). However, CBP is providing flexibility for trade to test the system through June 6th when Air AMS will be phased out. Accordingly, Automated Broker Interface (ABI) Air Inbond filers will continue to use QX/WX to allow the air industry additional time to test the system. The effective date for changing from QX/WX to QP/WP is June 7, 2015.

All ABI filers will continue to use the IN query to query Air Bills. The CQ query for air manifests will be required to receive Air AMS statuses as of June 7, 2015. Both of these changes are posted to CBP.gov/ACE and filers are encouraged to test in the Certification environment.

Filers will not be impacted by the transition changes if they are in compliance with published by Air Manifest Implementation Guidelines published on CBP.gov.

- For export manifest:
  - Export manifest filing functionality in ACE will be available for filers who wish to submit data electronically.
  - Paper export manifest filing will continue being available after the May 1, 2015 ACE Mandatory filing date. Filers are encouraged to volunteer in Export Manifest Pilots once they are announced in the Federal Register Notices (FRNs).
  - Current Ocean Export Manifest pilots for the Vessel Transportation Module in the Automated Export System (AES) and the Document Image System (DIS) have been coded in ACE. These pilots will continue post May 1, 2015.
  - Mandatory filing of electronic export manifests will follow CBP’s publication of new regulations.

For additional explanatory information about the ACE Mandatory Use Dates, please visit the “ACE Mandatory Use Dates” page of CBP.gov/ACE. For questions, please contact your assigned CBP Client Representative.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 12, 2015  
Mobile, AL  
9:00 - 11:00 AM ET*  
ACE Outreach Session for Trade

May 13, 2015  
Memphis, TN  
2:00 - 4:00 PM ET*  
ACE Outreach Session for Trade

May 15, 2015  
Nashville, TN  
9:00 - 11:00 AM ET*  
ACE Outreach Session for Trade

*Visit CBP.gov/ACEoutreach for more details, including registration requirements

MORE ACE INFORMATION

→ Visit www.cbp.gov/ACE  
→ ACE Development/Deployment Schedule  
→ Subscribe to the Cargo Systems Messaging Service (CSMS) for Email Updates  
→ ACE Training  
→ List of ABI Vendors, including those certified to file entry summaries in ACE

Mandatory use of ACE for all electronic manifest filing

Mandatory use of ACE for all electronic cargo release and related entry summary filing

Mandatory use of ACE for all remaining electronic portions of the CBP cargo process
PGA MESSAGE SET IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES POSTED ON CBP.GOV

CBP has posted Partner Government Agency (PGA) Message Set Implementation Guidelines (IGs) to CBP.gov. The PGA Message Sets are part of the ACE Automated Broker Interface (ABI) and CBP and Trade Automated Interface Requirements (CATAIR), which contains the technical requirements for transmission of PGA data and associated forms that must be electronically submitted to the ACE at the time of entry or entry summary by November 1, 2015.

The PGA Message Set IGs are categorized in the following folders:

- Implementation Guidelines - Ready for Coding
- Implementation Guidelines - Draft/In Review.

The IGs that are “Ready for Coding” have been reviewed by the trade in the Trade/PGA Working Groups and updates have been made based on trade input. The IGs that are in “Draft/In Review” are still undergoing Trade/PGA Working Group review. Per completion of the trade Working Group reviews, these IGs will be moved from the “DRAFT” folder to the “Ready for Coding” folder. The trade is requested to review all of the IGs and begin making the necessary system programming changes.

The PGA Message Set IGs are as follows:

- **Implementation Guidelines - Ready for Coding**
  - Agency Tariff Code to Agency Program Cross Reference
  - Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) CATAIR Guidelines
  - Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Supplemental CATAIR Guidelines
  - EPA PGA Message Set Samples Pilot Program
  - Lacey Act Declaration ACE Guidance for Trade
  - National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) PGA Message Set Guidelines
  - United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS)

- **Implementation Guidelines - Draft/In Review (Trade/PGA Working Group review)**
  - Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosive (ATF) Supplemental Guidance for ACE
  - Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Adapted Data Element Record Layout
  - Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC) Implementation Guide
  - Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Supplemental Guide – PN Only Release 1.6
  - FDA Supplemental Guide Release 1.6
  - ACE Filing Instructions for Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) – Regulated Commodities

To access the ACE ABI PGA Message Set CATAIR chapters and appendices, and PGA Implementation Guidelines, please visit the “ACE ABI CATAIR” page of CBP.gov/ACE.

ACE DEPLOYMENT E—APRIL 18 RELEASE UPDATE

CBP is working to complete development of core trade processing capabilities in ACE and decommission corresponding capabilities in legacy systems by the end of 2016. Below is a list of new ACE capabilities impacting the trade community, deployed on April 18, 2015:

- **File Entries with Non-Automated Manifest System (AMS) Bills**
  - This capability will allow filers to submit ACE entries to CBP for processing without an associated carrier transmitted Bill of Lading (BOL) AMS.

- **CBP Ability to Edit ACE Entries (CBP- Initiated Corrections)**
  - This capability will allow CBP port personnel, upon trade request, to edit entries previously submitted to ACE by the trade community (commonly known as “pen and ink” changes).

For more information about ACE Deployment E – April 18 Release, please visit the “ACE and Automated Systems” page of CBP.gov/ACE, and navigate to the “What’s New with ACE?” section of the page. You may also click on the hyperlinks provided.
Filers must ensure they are fully prepared to file all electronic entries and corresponding entry summaries in ACE by the November 1, 2015 ACE filing deadline, just over six months away.

Filers have advised CBP that they understand their entries are filed in ACE, when in fact they are transmitting ACE Entry Summary data and certifying corresponding cargo release data in the Automated Commercial System (ACS). These transmissions do not constitute an ACE entry filing, which is required for the November 1, 2015 mandatory date.

The ability to transmit both ACE cargo release (entry) and ACE entry summary requires specific software changes that address the new data requirements. For example, there are additional party reporting requirements such as the Buyer and Seller for ACE cargo release (entry). There are also new requirements for split shipments as well as corrections and cancellations for ACE Cargo Release.

Please contact your software vendor or service bureau to verify that your software program can successfully transmit both ACE Cargo Release (SE transactions) and ACE Entry Summary (AE transactions). Being approved to transmit in ACE and having the appropriate software application to file both ACE Cargo Release and ACE Entry Summary will be necessary to ensure compliance with the November 2015 ACE filing deadline.

At present, only 4 percent of all entries are filed in ACE. 100 percent of entries must be filed in ACE by November 1, 2015. Please take immediate action to confirm that your entries are being filed in ACE, and if not, determine when your entries will be filed in ACE to meet the November 1, 2015 deadline. Below are examples of entry and entry summary filing submission methods transmitted through the ABI available today, and available as of November 1, 2015:

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<th>Available Today</th>
<th>Available as of 11/1/15</th>
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<td>- AE transaction with certification processed entirely in ACE</td>
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Filers who are unsure about whether their software supports the November 1, 2015, mandatory requirements, should contact their software vendor or service bureau as soon as possible. Once you confirm your software is updated, please contact your assigned CBP Client Rep to advise that you want to be approved for ACE Cargo Release.

CBP regularly updates the following references on CBP.gov/ACE:

- List of certified software vendors

- ACE Cargo Release Capabilities by Mode (Entries currently available to be filed in ACE Cargo Release or to be Certified from Summary in ACE Cargo Release)

For more information on ACE entry and entry summary filing, please visit the “ACE ABI CATAIR” page of CBP.gov/ACE.
**TIPS OF THE MONTH**

**Modifying MMM - 6009 In-Bond Details Report to Add Descriptions for In-Bond Source Type and Status Codes**

Carriers run the Multi-Modal Manifest (MMM) - 6009 In-bond Details Report to obtain in-bond transaction number, destination and origin port codes, arrival, departure and create dates and times. This report also provides an in-bond source type and status code which identifies the submission method used for the in-bond and the status of the transaction. To obtain a description of the In-bond source type and status code, users can modify the MMM-6009 report and add the “In-Bond Source Type Description” and “In-bond Status Description” data objects. To modify the MMM-6009 In-Bond Details Report, please note the following steps:

1. After launching the MMM-6009 In-Bond Details report and clicking on “cancel” in the prompts box, switch from “Reading” to “Design” mode inside the blank report.

2. Click on the “Available Objects” button on the left pane of the report workspace to display additional data objects that may be added to the standard report.

3. Drag the “In-bond Source Type Description” and “In-Bond Status Description” data objects from “Available Objects” to the report table.

4. Click on the “Refresh the Data” button at the bottom of the report workspace and complete the “prompts” box to obtain results on the report.

For more information on modifying ACE Reports, please visit the “ACE Reports Training and User Guides” page of CBP.gov/ACE.

**Air Manifest Frequently Generated Errors**

CBP has published a list of frequently generated air manifest error messages to ensure that filers transmit correctly air manifest data. The air manifest error code list includes:

- **No WBL Line** - Air manifest participants did not transmit line information on the Freight Report Change (FRC) message; carriers are not including required data elements like weight units.

- **No RFA Line** - Air manifest participants did not transmit amendment information, including the line identifier and the reason for the amendment.

- **Two ARR Lines in Message** - Air carriers transmitted a second Freight Departure Message (FDM) to correct arrival information, rather than deleting the first message and transmitting a new one.

- **Invalid Airport Code** - CBP regulations specify air shipment information include the code of the foreign airport from which a shipment began transportation by air to the United States. ACE will reject an air shipment’s WBL line’s airport of origin corresponding to a U.S. airport or non-airport “Metropolitan Area” International Air Transport Association (IATA) location identifier (examples: LON, PAR, ROM, MIL, BUE, TYO, SEL) as “invalid Foreign Airport of Origin.”

For additional questions about air manifest generated error messages, please contact your CBP Client Representative.
CBP has updated the **ACE Adoption Rate Monthly Report** posted on CBP.gov. The **ACE Adoption Rate Monthly Report** provides the trade community with ACE onboarding statistics, cargo release (entry) and entry summary submission rates, and deployed core capability percentages.

### ACE Adoption Rate Monthly Report

**External Version**

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<td>33,064</td>
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<td># PCA Agencies (active in portal / month)</td>
<td>22</td>
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**Item of Cargo Entries (E) and Entry Summaries (B)**

- # ACE Approved Cargo Entry Files: 12 (up 7%)
- # Cargo Entry Files filed in ACE this Month: 58 (up 33%)
- # E Files filed at least once in ACE throughout of AC: 51 (up 33%)
- # Top 100 shippers filed Cargo Entries in ACE this Month: 2 (up 200%)
- # Top 100 shippers filed Entry Summaries this Month: 2,171 (up 127%)

**Deployment of Core Capabilities by Themes**

- **March**
  - **A** musicians
  - **B** guitar players
  - **C** pianists
  - **D** drummers
  - **E** vocalists

**Entry Summary Submission Rates**

- **March 2015**
  - **March 2014**
  - **March 2015**
  - **March 2014**

- **March 2015**
  - **March 2014**
  - **March 2015**
  - **March 2014**

**Cargo Entry Submission Rates**

- **March 2015**
  - **March 2014**

### Frequently Asked Questions

**Will CBP continue to accept and process In-bonds on paper CBP Form 7512 after the May 1st and November 1st 2015 ACE Mandatory Filing Dates?**

Yes. CBP will still process manual in-bond movements after the May and November dates. Paper 7512’s will continue to be accepted until CBP’s regulations are changed to eliminate the paper CBP form. If an in-bond movement is submitted electronically, the carrier can electronically arrive the in-bond at destination. If the in-bond is submitted to CBP on CBP Form 7512, only CBP can arrive the cargo at destination.

**Does CBP have plans to enhance the ACE Secure Data Portal to include exporter accounts, export commodity filing functionality and export reports?**

Yes. CBP is enhancing the ACE Secure Data Portal to deliver a new exporter account view that includes reporting capability for export related transactions. The exporter account capability will be deployed this summer and exporters can begin applying for an ACE portal account. Exporters who already have an Importer ACE portal account will be able to add the exporter role to their account as well. CBP and the Department of Census are working together to deploy the Automated Export System (AES) Direct in the fall, the system will replace the current Census owned AES Direct system.

**Has CBP published guidance explaining how filers can delete or cancel an entry and entry summary transactions in ACE?**

Yes. CBP has published guidance on Entry Deletion and Entry or Entry Summary Cancellation. The **ACE Entry Summary Business Rules and Process** document also provides information about deleting ACE Entry Summary transactions. The Entry and Entry Summary Deletion and Cancellation guidance can be found by downloading the attachment of **CSMS# 11-000264**, or clicking on the hyperlinks provided.