



### **ACE Reports Help Folder**

New information is now available to assist all ACE report users when running ACE Reports. Simply launch the reporting tool, select the “+” beside Public Folders and then select **Help**. Users will see two help sources. The first source is the ACE Portal Reports Dictionary which is a reference guide of the most frequently accessed reports designed to enhance the understanding of reports for ACE users, assist in identifying the report that best fulfills a particular business need, and encourage the overall use of the reporting tool. The Dictionary defines each report and its corresponding data objects, making it easier for ACE users to identify specific reports to meet their data requirements. The Dictionary also provides the exact location of each report in the ACE reporting tool, the categorical classification of each report, the standard report filters/prompts and a description of each data object contained in the report. Since the ACE Portal Reports Dictionary is quite large, users will need to wait a few seconds for it to completely load. The second source is the Reports User Guide which contains step by step instructions for running ACE reports.

### **Issue with ACE Quick View Reports**

U.S. Customs & Border Protection (CBP) has discovered an issue with the entry summary count in Quick View Reports. When running the Filer Activity Summary – Top 5 HTS number report, the number of entry summaries is correct.. For all other Quick View Reports for filers and importers, the number of entry summaries may be too high when the report is run. CBP is aware of the issue and will make every effort to resolve it as soon as possible. In the interim, users can run Account Management Entry Summary Aggregate Report AM 015 to view the number of entry summaries filed.

### **Use of Old CBP Form 7501 Entry Summary**

CBP is extending the deadline for the requirement to use the June 2009 version of the CBP Form 7501. The new effective date is April 1, 2010. As of April 1, 2010, the only official form that CBP will support is the June 2009 version of the CBP Form 7501. CBP is transitioning to this form based on an Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requirement. OMB requires that CBP review public use forms every three years (the expiration date of the form changes after the review).

The June 2009 CBP Form 7501 version is available online at the following link: <http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/toolbox/forms/>. This link includes the CBP Form 7501 and the continuation sheets, as well as the CBP 7501 instructions (posted 8/31/05), which apply to the new 7501 form. Although the CBP Form 7501 is not required for ACE entry summary transmissions, during the test phase this form may be used as a cover sheet in lieu of the CBP Document/Payment Transmittal form. CBP will continue to use the CBP Form 7501 for entry summaries filed in ACS.

Beginning April 1, 2010, entry summaries filed with a form other than the June 2009 CBP Form 7501 version will be rejected.



Please be advised that the Harmonized Tariff Schedule can be accessed via the International Trade Commission web site using the following URL:

<http://hts.usitc.gov/>

### **What are the Rules for Creating a Password?**



Your new password must:

- Contain exactly eight characters;
- Contain at least four letters;
- Contain at least one of the following symbols: !"\$%&\*0+/:;<>?@[^\_{}#;
- Contain a combination of uppercase letters and lowercase letters and numbers and;
- Not contain any consecutively repeated characters.

### **Attention Reconciliation Report Users:**



CBP would like to remind all importers and filers that when running ACE reports, reconciliation flags are not being consistently displayed for the entry summary. Until this issue is resolved, filers should NOT rely on ACE reports for reconciliation purposes. At this time the Automated Commercial System remains the system of record for non-ACE entry summaries. Filers can use the entry summary data they submitted through the Automated Broker Interface for reconciliation purposes. Alternatively, filers needing assistance in completing the reconciliation entry can purchase applicable reports from the Finance Center. CBP continues to work on this issue and will provide notification as soon as it is resolved.



### **Attention ACE Portal Account Users:**

All ACE portal users need to have an individual ACE User ID and Password. Security will allow only **one** user to be logged into the account using the same User ID and password.



**Containers with Any Amount of Cargo Residue Must Be Manifested and Entered**

CBP has recently indicated that cargo containers with any residue of cargo must be manifested and entered in compliance with all customs laws. This modification was announced in the July 17, 2009 Customs Bulletin (Vol. 43, No. 28, beginning on page 138).

The CBP statement was made in connection with its modification to ruling HQ 113129, in which CBP held that a steel container qualifying as an instrument of international traffic and filled with a chemical when exported, could be entered as empty when imported into the U.S., even if a residue of that chemical remained in the container.

As a result of the modification, re-imported containers with residues should not be entered or manifested as empty and the residue contained should be classified, manifested and entered.

The CBP Bulletin indicates this action is effective for containers arriving in the United States on or after Sunday, August 16, 2009.

**Attention Truck Carriers**

It has been discovered that if a carrier or their agent requests an in-bond move via their ACE Portal e-Manifest declaration and they use certain Units of Measure (UOM) descriptions in the shipment / commodity / quantity and weight section, the in-bond request will be rejected internally by the system with no error message being returned to the carrier.

This may be the cause of situations where a carrier has requested an in-bond move via his ACE Portal e-Manifest only to be told by CBP at the border that the in-bond request is not in the system. We are investigating the issue and will notify you when there is a solution other than the work around recommended below.

To avoid this situation, the following UOM codes for packaging should NOT be used when filing in-bond shipments via the ACE Portal:

Crate	Dozen	Each	Feet	Gallon	Load
Meters	Pairs	Pail	Square Foot	Truck Load	

The following UOM for weight should not be used when filing an ACE e-Manifest via the ACE Portal with an in-bond movement request: Ton



*Reminder for Truck Carriers:*

The bonded carrier (that is the entity whose IR number is reported in the in-bond request) is the party that is able to arrive/export in-bonds through an ACE portal account.



**What Should I Do When I See Welcome Null, Null?**

*When logging onto the ACE Portal if you see “**Welcome null, null,**” you must completely close the current browser session. You can also select “**New Window**” from your browser’s **File** option.*

**Trade Symposium December 8 – 10, 2009**

CBP has announced that the 2009 Trade Symposium is scheduled for December 8 – 10, 2009 and will be held in Washington, DC. Registration opens at noon on Thursday, October 1. Please be sure to mark your calendars for this event.

**Looking Ahead:**

The next Entry Summary Accounts and Revenue (ESAR) Antidumping/Countervailing Duty (AD/CVD) release will expand to accept and process type 03 (AD/CVD) entry summaries. This next release is currently targeted for early 2010. The revised draft ACE ABI CATAIR chapters have been published in advance of this release and can be found on CBP.gov at the following link:

[http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/ace\\_edi\\_messages/catair\\_main/abi\\_catair/catair\\_adcvd/](http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/ace_edi_messages/catair_main/abi_catair/catair_adcvd/)

Included in this posting are:

- > Entry Summary Create/Update (revised)
- > AD/CVD Case Information Query (revised)

With the ESAR AD/CVD release, ACE will become the system of record for team review. Importers with ACE Portal Accounts who elect to receive CBP Form 28s, 29s and 4647s through the ACE Portal will be able to view and respond to all 28s, 29s and 4647 regardless of the system of record of the entry summary.