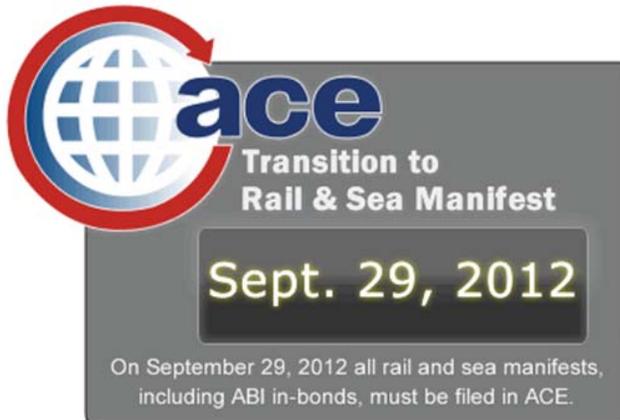




Are You Ready? The 90 Day Countdown Has Begun!



As of June 21, 2012, 91% of ocean carriers and 70% of ABI software developers impacted by the required transition to M1 have either completed or are in the on-boarding process. If you are part of the 9% of the ocean carriers or the 30% of the ABI software developers who are **NOT** yet testing ACE e-Manifest: Rail and Sea, **NOW** is the time to contact your Client Representative for assistance.

Simplified Entry Update

Simplified Entry is the first phase of Cargo Release to be built in ACE. As part of the pilot test that began on May 29, 2012, U. S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has received Simplified Entries at the three pilot ports of Indianapolis, Chicago and Atlanta from seven of the nine pilot participants selected in December of 2011. To date, Simplified Entries have been filed by A.N. Deringer, Expeditors, FedEx Trade Networks, Janel Group of New York, Kuehne & Nagel, Inc., Page & Jones, Inc. and UPS. CBP has successfully tested the filing of the Simplified Entry through to the filing of the ACE entry summary, placing and removing holds and document review. Additional scenarios are currently being tested. On June 25, 2012 CBP and the pilot participants initiated a two week period of testing additional volume through the system.

Simplified Entry streamlines the release of goods and enhances cargo security. It segregates the filing of the transportation information from the filing of the entry information. This allows for the earlier filing of entry information which will in turn allow CBP more time to identify high risk shipments. Filers can update the entry information until the point that the conveyance arrives.

The initial evaluation of the Simplified Entry pilot will take place in 60 to 90 days. This will provide CBP and the pilot participants time to assess the pilot and to identify the next steps for expansion of Simplified Entry.

For information on further development and updates on the status of the pilot, please check the CBP website at:

http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/trade_transformation/simplified_entry/



U.S. Coast Guard Participation in M1

CBP and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) successfully completed a joint pilot of the e-Manifest: Rail and Sea (M1) functionality in May 2012. The USCG became the first Participating Government Agency to navigate ACE M1 in production during a series of operational trials in May, 2012 piloted in Charleston, SC. The trials will result in better targeting capability of high risk cargo, improved communication to the trade community, and greater border security. Additional information is available on CBP.gov at:

http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/whats_new/

Responding to CBP Forms through the ACE Portal

CBP is pleased to announce that all authorized users with "Full Access" to forms and who have selected "Portal" as a mode of communication can now respond to CBP forms through the ACE Portal for both ACS filed and ACE filed entry summaries. The issues previously experienced by users when attempting to respond to forms for ACS filed entry summaries have been resolved. Brokers responding to CBP forms 28, 29 and 4647 on behalf of their clients must do so through the importer's portal account. Importers will need to grant brokers the appropriate access.

When searching for a form, the search capabilities will only return forms in the "Sent" or "Closed" status. To view forms where a response has been sent through the ACE Portal but where CBP has not closed the request, users must select "Response Received" from the "CBP Status" drop down.

Search for CBP Forms

Form Type:

Date of Issue: To

Date of Entry: To

Entry Summary #:

IR #:

Port Code: [Lookup Port Code](#)

Reference or File #:

Mfr./Shipper/Seller:

CBP Status:

Action #	Entry Summary #

Access to the Shared Reports Folder

Your account shared reports folder is located under "Public Folders, Shared Reports, Trade." The account specific folder is automatically generated by ACE and reflects the top account name followed by the ACE ID number. In order for all report users who have access to your ACE Portal account to see the same Shared Reports folder, all users **must** have been granted access to the Top Account. If the user has not been granted access to the Top Account by either the Trade Account Owner or the Proxy Trade



Account Owner, they will see a different shared reports folder under the account. To verify whether the user has access to the top account, please follow the steps below:

1. Select the **Tools** tab.
2. Select **User Access**.
3. A list of users displays. Select the user's last name link in the "*Last Name*" column.
4. If you have access to more than one Top Account you will be required to select the account to which you wish to grant access. Select the radio button from the Top Account to which you wish to grant access.
5. Select the **Select and continue** button.
6. The "User Access" screen displays which shows the user's current role and whether they have access to the Top Account. If the user does not have access to the Top Account, select the "**Yes**" radio button. Then select the **Continue** button.
7. Select the **Save** button.

Keeping Entry Banks Updated

When rail line release entry banks fall to 1% remaining, the train manifest may fail. This will result in cargo disruptions and may force rail carriers to remove shipments from inbound trains. It is recommended that at all ports, filers retain a reserve sufficient to operate for 1 week at normal volume and that usage of these entry numbers is monitored to determine whether the threshold has been reached. Self filers should contact CBP at the port to verify the status of their rail entry banks.

Clarification on Using In-bond Authorization Functionality in ACE

The following information is being provided to clarify the in-bond authorization functionality in the ACE Portal.

	Partners Authorized	Result
1.	Bond Owner authorizes no partners	Anyone can obligate the bond. No SCAC or filer codes are present in the in-bond authorization file in the ACE Portal.
2.	Bond Owner authorizes self as partner	Only the SCAC of the bond owner is listed in the in-bond authorization file in the ACE Portal. The bond owner can obligate the bond; all other partners are blocked from using the bond even if they are shown as authorized partners in the ACE Portal.
3.	Bond Owner authorizes others as partners	Only the bond owner and the partners listed in the in-bond authorization file in the ACE Portal can obligate the bond. Bond owners must first remove themselves from the ACE Portal as users of the bond if they previously added their SCAC as an authorized partner.

Note: Bond owners can always obligate their own bond.



Truck carriers are reminded not to use the in-bond authorization functionality. At the present time the ACE Truck application has not been enhanced to function with the new "In-bond Authorization" file in ACE M1. As such, although for ACE Truck created in-bonds the system may accept an in-bond shipment in ACE, the system will not issue the "movement authorized" message. This could result in a truck or shipment being delayed at the border until the issue is resolved.

If the trade uses the QP functionality there should be no issues as all QP in-bonds use the ACE M1 "In-bond Authorization" function.

PTT 356 Error Message

For importers moving cargo under a PTT (Permit to Transfer) to a foreign trade zone facility, if you encounter an invalid bond error message you will need to check your ACE Portal account to see if you have a type 4 bond on file. This applies to the Importer of Record (IR) number that is input on the PTT request. To view bond(s) in the ACE Portal, follow the instructions below:

1. Select the **Accounts** tab.
2. Change to the importer view.
3. Select the IR number and the **Bonds** link from the "Select Task" portlet.
4. If you have a type 4 bond but the IR # reported on the PPT request is not displayed, contact your surety company to obtain a bond rider to add the IR number.

Recent ACE Updates

Please note you may need to copy and paste the URLs below to your internet browser.

ACE Trade Capabilities Planned for 2012

The ACE Trade Capabilities Planned for 2012 fact sheet has been posted to CBP.gov. The fact sheet provides information on the priorities CBP has established as ACE trade capabilities planned for 2012. The new fact sheet can be found using the following URL:
http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/whats_new/

Simplified Entry Information Notice

The Information Notice on Simplified Entry has been posted to CBP.gov. The notice provides additional information on Simplified Entry and impacted ACE reports. The notice can be found using the following URL:

http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/whats_new/

Benefits of ACE for Rail and Sea Carriers

A new fact sheet has been posted to CBP.gov which lists the benefits of an ACE Portal account for rail and sea carriers. The fact sheet can be found using the following URL:



http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/newsroom/fact_sheets/trade/ace_factsheets/ace_overview/railseacarriers.ctt/railseacarriers.pdf

ACE Overview and Status Update Presentation

An updated copy of the ACE Overview and Status Update presentation has been posted to CBP.gov. The presentation provides an overview of ACE functionality that has been delivered to date as well as ACE functionality scheduled to be delivered in 2012 and the future. The presentation can be found using the following URL:

<http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/ace/toolkit/>

In-Bond Authorization User Guide

An updated copy of the In-Bond Authorization user guide has been posted to CBP.gov. The user guide can be found using the following URL:

http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/manifest_railsea/

e-Manifest: Rail and Sea Webinar

On June 13 and 14, CBP hosted two webinars for the ocean and rail carrier community, highlighting the steps necessary to begin using ACE rail and sea manifest and the necessity to transition to ACE as soon as possible. A recording of the webinar is available online, free of charge, at:

http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/trade_outreach/outreach_webinar.xml

Upcoming Environmental Protection Agency Webinar

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced a webinar for parties interested in participating in the ACE Document Imaging System (DIS) testing. The EPA DIS Pilot will allow parties who have been accepted in previous ESAR tests and who file entry summaries in ACE to submit EPA documents and forms for importing Vehicles and Engines or Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA) substances via the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) in an Extensible Markup Language (XML) format. The EPA DIS Pilot webinar is scheduled on July 10, 2012, at 3:00 pm. For additional information, refer to CSMS 12-000234

Your Questions:

For de-minimus, how can trade identify original paid amounts versus Post Summary Correction (PSC) amounts in ACE reports?

Trade can run ESM-7008 modified to drag in estimated and paid amounts. In the example below, a PSC was submitted to increase MPF. The paid amounts reflect the collected (\$144.26) and the estimated amounts (\$144.81) reflect the changes transmitted in the PSC. Importers can run the AM-100 to verify the liquidated amounts. For de-minimus, the summary liquidates at the original collected/paid amounts.



ESM -7008 Report

Entry Number	Entry Summary Line Number	Importer Number	Entry Type Code	Entry Date	Create Date	Port of Entry	Country Export ISO Code	Country of Origin ISO Code	Manufacturer Code	HTS Number	Secondary SPI Indicator	NAFTA Reconciliation Indicator	Other Reconciliation Issue Code	UOM Code	UOM Qty	Goods Value Amount	Grand Total Estimated Fees	Paid Other	Duty Amount	System Control Code
00X12345670	1	12-345678900	01	4/1/2012	#####	3801	CA	US	USFXCON 31BRA	3304995000		N			0	\$42,000.00	\$144.81	144.26	\$0.00	ACE
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AM -100 Report

Importer Number	Importer Name	Goods Entered Port Code	Goods Entered Port Name	Filer Code	Entry Number	Date of Entry	Entry Type Code	Liquidation Date	Initial Amount	Liquidation Amount	Liquidation Status Description	Batch Number
12-345678900	TEST IMPORTS INC	3801	DETROIT, MI	XXX	00X12345670	4/1/2012	01	7/8/2012	\$144.26	\$144.26	No Change	LO122222ABI

What report can I run to determine if there are any outstanding flagged entries that have yet to be closed out for Reconciliation?

You can run the ACE AM-068 report and review the “NAFTA Recon Ind” and “Other Recon Ind” columns. If there are numbers in these columns the entry was flagged for either NAFTA or Other Reconciliation. For NAFTA Reconciliations, when the Recon Entry is filed the code changes from a “1” to a “2.” For Other Reconciliations, the code changes from a “0” in the second position to a “2.” Code 001 is for a Value Reconciliation. When the Reconciliation entry is filed the code changes from “001” to “021.” However, CBP is advising report users NOT to rely on the accuracy of the reconciliation flags in ACE reports and to rely on their internal records to ensure all flagged entries are accounted for..

Do ACE Cargo Entry reports include all entries?

Today Cargo Entry reports exclude rail Line Release, Border Release Advance Screening and Selectivity (BRASS), Free and Secure Trade (FAST) entries and Simplified Entries.