

EU IMPORT CONTROL SYSTEM 2 (ICS2) OPERATIONAL GUIDE

MSC CUSTOMER ADVISORY

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Since 4 November 2024, MSC has successfully started submitting customs declarations under ICS2 ([European Union's Import Control System 2](#)) requirements.

MSC is pleased to support and comply with this new regulation, which will become fully effective also for House Filers from April 2025, as it will enhance the security and safety of customers' pre-arrival procedures.

This is served to guide and remind customers of **How data can be provided to MSC.**

Master Bill of Lading data

The data including following must be provided to MSC via the usual Shipping Instructions (SI) channels:

- EORI number of consignee is **an optional field**, and must be provided for all the EU based legal entities ("legal person") that requested and are in possession of this number, therefore only for shipments with final destination in EU. EORI is not needed when consignee is not a "legal person" or a legal entity located outside EU.
- Commodity code (Harmonized System) must be declared with at least 6 digits.
- House Bill of Lading(s) included in the shipment: yes or no.
- Goods are delivered in ICS2 countries: yes or no.
- Full address details, including street name, number, PO Box, city, postcode and country for all involved parties
- **EORI number of Supplementary declarant, only in the case of Multiple ENS filings**

If no specific field is available in eSI, this information must be submitted in the SI comment section.

Buyer and Seller and/or House Bill of Lading(s) data

These are specific ICS2 required data. Customers can submit this information via:

- **myMSC**, accessing to the dedicated **EU Customs** module and completing the required data requested by the user interface
- **EDI**, via dedicated IFTMIN segments, fully described on the [Developer Portal - MSC](#)
- **INTTRA**, where both Buyer and Seller data and House Bill of Lading(s) data can be included in the shipping instructions journey

Exceptionally, House Bill of Lading(s) data not shared to MSC via above channels will be filed by MSC and submitted to EU customs. For this value-added service, MSC will invoice USD 30 per House Bill of Lading.

Should you have any questions, [please contact your local MSC representatives](#) in our global network of more than 675 offices.

Thank you for your support,

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