

P08 How to Export

- Explain the roles of Customs
- Describe basic export procedures
- Apply Harmonized System (HS) code
- Explain controlled goods for export
- Perform TradeNet® to raise export permit



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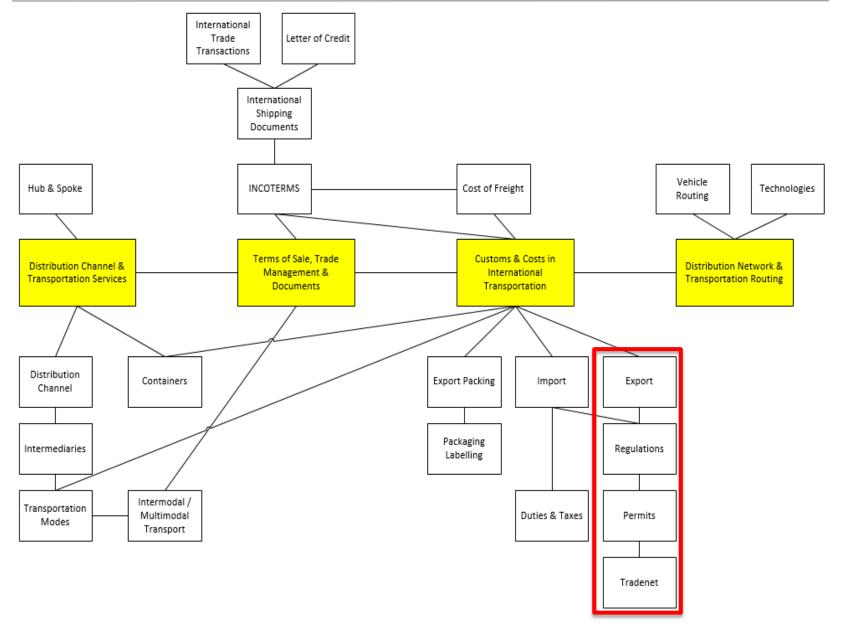






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Customs



- Customs refers to the government agency and the function of controlling imports and exports to conform to governmental regulations, and they control and regulate activities at borders
- Customs rules and regulations must be followed strictly to avoid penalty, fine, or punishment



Roles of Customs



- Collection & protection of customs revenue by preventing the evasion of duties and taxes
- Provision of one-stop solutions for trade and customs matters, such as issuance of permits, licenses and Certificates of Origin, and provision of classification and valuation advice
- Facilitation of trade through simplification of customs procedures and administration of tax suspension schemes
- Enforcement of trade requirements under the respective Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)
- Regulation of trade in strategic goods and strategic goods technology

Basic Export Procedures



- For export of goods out of Singapore, you are required to:
 - Obtain an OUT Permit through TradeNet® any time before export, prior to goods lodgement with sea port operators or air cargo ground handling agents, if your goods are exported by sea or air*, or
 - Obtain an OUT Permit through TradeNet® before goods are exported out of Singapore by road and rail, or
 - Obtain an OUT (Temporary Consignment) Permit through TradeNet® before exporting goods previously imported under the Temporary Import Scheme out of Singapore, or
 - Obtain an OUT (Temporary Export/Re-imported Goods) Permit through TradeNet[®] before goods are exported under the Temporary Export Scheme
 - Obtain an OUT (Approve Premises/Schemes) Permit through TradeNet® before goods are released from the LW and ZGS for export out of Singapore

Source: Singapore Customs Website

Basic Export Procedures



If the exporter is not a TradeNet® user, the exporter can do the following:

- Appoint a TradeNet® declaring agent such as TradeNet® Service Centre, freight forwarder or cargo agent to declare its exports
- Provide the export invoice and Bill of Lading/Airway bill to the company's TradeNet® declaring agent for them to declare the exports
- Collect the Permit from the TradeNet® declaring agent after it has been approved

Source: Singapore Customs Website

Who are the Declaring Agents?



- A declaring agent refers to an entity making an application for a permit, certificate, license or any other document or form of approval to the Director General under the Customs Act, the Regulation of Imports and Exports Act or any regulations thereunder, and may be:
- A declaring entity making such application for itself;
 or
- 2. A business entity providing to a declaring entity services for the making of such applications.

Roles of a Declaring Agent (DA)



- Act as the critical intermediary between Singapore Customs and the trading community to facilitate the submission of trade declarations.
- Ensure accuracy, completeness and integrity of the trade declarations as the submitted trade data are used by various government agencies for revenue collection, statistical analysis, risk profiling and other regulatory oversight purposes.

Approving Authorities



Singapore Customs (SC):

- Lead agency on trade facilitation and revenue enforcement matters under the Ministry of Finance.
- Responsible for the implementation of customs and trade enforcement measures including those related to Free Trade Agreements and strategic goods

Others:

International Enterprise (IE) Singapore Board:

- Lead agency under the Ministry of Trade and Industry spearheading the development of Singapore's external economic wing.
- Help Singapore-based companies grow and providing heightened support to start and develop their business overseas.

Competent Authorities (CA):

E.g. Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority.

TradeNet® and EDI



- TradeNet®: a network set up for the transmission of trade documents for approval by authorities, integrate the import, export, and transshipment cargo documents submission for non-dutiable and dutiable, non-controlled and controlled goods
- EDI (Electronic Data Interchange): the standard format adopted for data transmission between participating parties

TradeNet®



- Singapore's National Single Window was launched on <u>1 January 1989</u>
- Provides a single platform for Singapore's trade and logistics community to fulfill all import, export and transshipment related regulatory requirements
- Enables multiple parties to lodge standardized electronically, with a single point of entry



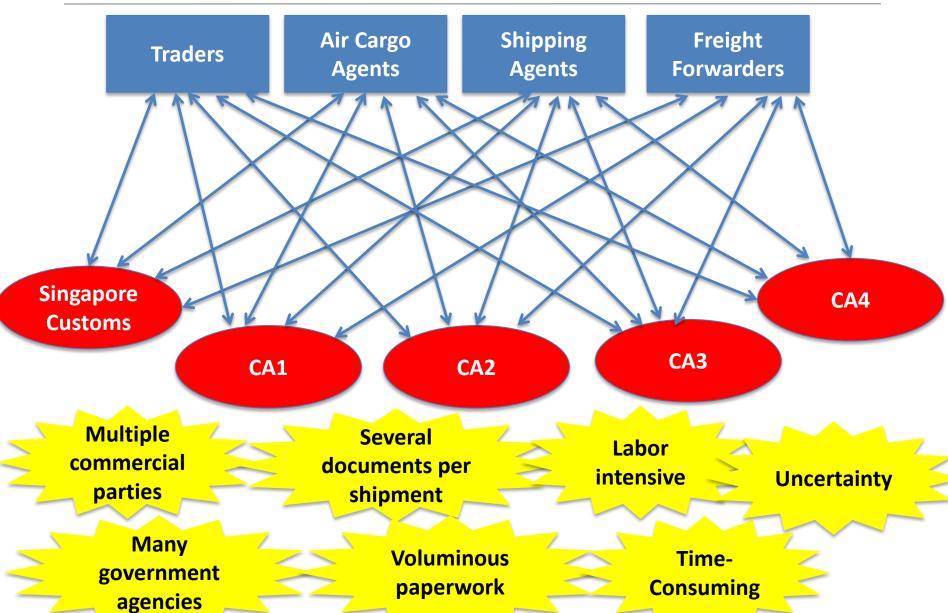
TradeNet®



- Combining both, TradeNet® System is a nation-wide Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) System which allows the various parties from the public and the private sectors to exchange structured trade message and information electronically
- Declarants use TradeNet® to obtain a Cargo Clearance Permit (CCP) from the Customs
- Declaration sent to International Enterprise (IE) Singapore Board, Singapore Customs (SC), or any Competent Authorities (CA)

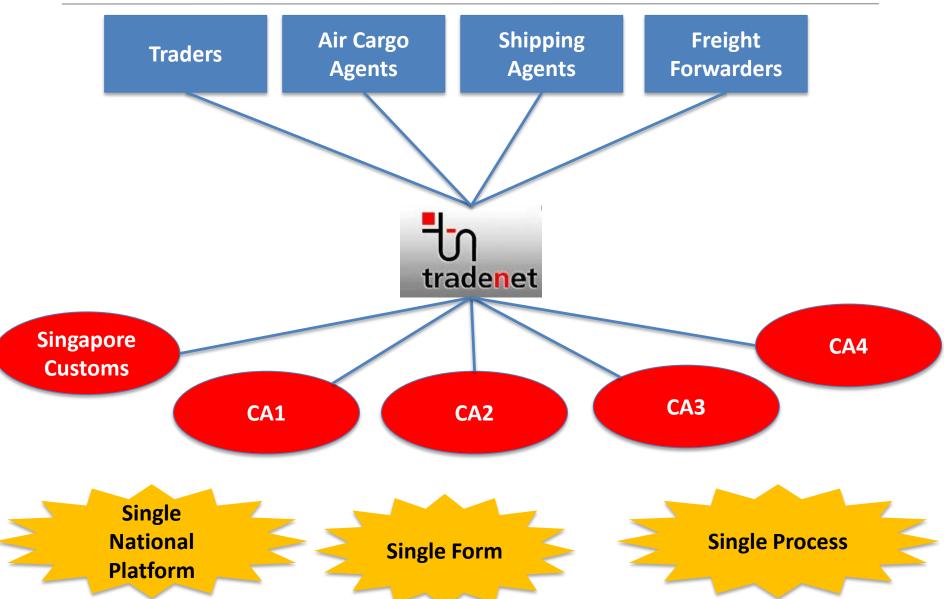
Before TradeNet®





TradeNet®





Why do we need Permits?



- Under the regulation of Imports and Exports Regulations, permits are required for all consignments imported into, exported out of or transshipped in Singapore
- Trade data is collected from the Import and Export Permits submitted by the traders or declarants through TradeNet®
- Permits are randomly selected to be returned with supporting document to Singapore Customs for verification
- True and correct declarations when submitting declarations to Customs for approval is a must. The law provides penalties for non-compliance and false, wrong or incorrect declarations

Permit Declaration through TradeNet®



Documents needed when preparing a TradeNet® permit application:

- i. Supplier's/ Exporter's Invoice
- Bill of Lading/House Bill of Lading OR
- iii. Master Air WayBill/ House Air WayBill
- iv. Packing List
- v. License
- vi. Certificates e.g. Certificate of Origin



PERMIT NO : OD8J003393G

Sample of Cargo Clearance Permit (CCP)

CARGO CLEARANCE PERMIT PG: 1 OF 2

MESSAGE TYPE : OUT (WITH OR WITHOUT CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN)

DECLARATION TYPE : DIRECT (INCLUDING STORAGE IN FTZ)

IMPORTER: VALIDITY PERIOD : 28/10/2008 -

10/11/2008

TOTAL GROSS WT/UNITS: 11.1100/TNE

EXPORTER: TOTAL OUTER PACK/UNIT: 10.0000/LOT

COLD STORAGE [1983] PTE LTDBLK 608 TOT CUSTOMS DUT PAYABLE: NARTIN RD 06-08 TRADEMART TOT EXCISE DUT PAYABLE: -

10005470000Z TOTAL GST AMT : HANDLING AGENT: TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE : -

CARGO PACKING TYPE : CONVENTIONAL

IN VES NAME:

PORT OF LOADING/NEXT PORT OF CALL: VOYAGE/FLIGHT NO :

OBI./MAMB NO

Harmonized System



- Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System is commonly known as the Harmonized System (HS)
- Comprises 100 Chapters and is arranged in 21 Sections
- An international nomenclature for the classification of goods, used as:
 - Basis of customs tariff
 - Compilation of trade statistics
 - International trade negotiations
 - Determination for origin of goods
 - Monitoring of controlled goods

Example of a HS code



Item	HS Code
Crushed cinnamon	0906.20.00

Section: II – Vegetable Products

Chapter: 09 - Coffee, tea, mate and

spices

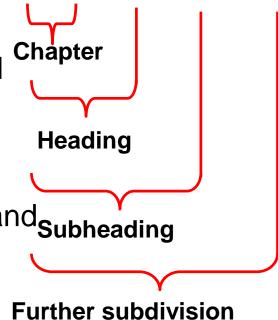
Heading: 09.06 - Cinnamon and

cinnamon-tree flowers

Subheading: 0906.20 - Cinnamon and Subheading

cinnamon-tree flowers, crushed or

ground



Further subdivision (addition of 2 digits)

Identity of Harmonized System



- The Harmonized System is identified by a 6-digit code. It is an international classification and all countries using the HS Classification System will be referring to the same items falling within the 6digit code
- Countries adopting the HS may make provisions for further subdivisions beyond the 6-digit level
- Singapore adopts the 8-digit HS code incorporating the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature to promote uniformity in the classification of goods within ASEAN member countries

Certificate of Origin (CO)



 Certificates of Origin (COO or CO) are documentary proof that a product has met the Rules of Origin to be qualified as originating from Singapore. CO can be broadly classified into two types, namely Ordinary Certificates of Origin and Preferential Certificates of Origin

Ordinary Certificate of Origin

 A document that can be used to satisfy your buyers that the products exported are wholly obtained, produced or manufactured in Singapore, depending on the Rules of Origin

Preferential Certificate of Origin

 A document that can help improve the competitive edge of your exports by enabling your buyers to claim preferential tariff treatment when importing your products under one of the Schemes of Preferences or Free Trade Agreements

Purposes of CO



- When exporting a locally manufactured product into the importing country, the product is subjected to import tariffs
- To encourage the economic growth of various countries in the world, countries participate in various Schemes of Preference which grants participating countries' exports lower import tariffs when imported into countries offering the scheme
- Countries also sign Free Trade Agreements (FTA) with each other to encourage economic growth through investments and increased trade flow between them through lowering of import tariffs
- Examples of Schemes of Preference: GSP,GSTP
- Examples of countries that Singapore has FTA with: ASEAN, China, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, US

Rules of Origin



To qualify a Singapore product as wholly obtained or produced in Singapore (Ordinary or Preferential Certificate of Origin), it must be either:

- Wholly obtained in Singapore, i.e. wholly grown in Singapore or produced in Singapore without any imported materials as stipulated in the relevant Free Trade Agreement; OR
- Manufactured in Singapore from materials and parts, which are either wholly or partly imported, according to the appropriate rules of origin and must not be made through a simple or minimal operations as stipulated in the relevant Free Trade Agreement

Issuing of CO



- Singapore Customs has authorized the following 5 Organizations to issue Ordinary COs:
 - Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry
 - Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
 - Singapore International Chamber of Commerce
 - Singapore Malay Chamber of Commerce and Industry
 - Singapore Manufacturers' Federation
- These organizations also issue Certificates for products from other countries which are re-exported from Singapore
- However, they do not issue the Ordinary CO for the export of Singapore-origin textiles and textile products to EU and US
- Singapore Customs also issues Ordinary COs and is the authorized agency to issue Preferential COs under Schemes of Preferences and Free Trade Agreements

Export Control Goods



- The export and transshipment of some goods are subject to the control of Controlling Agencies (CA)
- Some Controlling Agencies require exporters to apply for approval or a license prior to the export or transshipment of the controlled goods
- Exporters are required to submit the permit applications to the relevant Controlling Agencies through the TradeNet® system for processing and approval before exporting or transshipping the goods that are subject to control

Examples:

Item	Controlling Authority
Animals, Ginseng	Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority (AVA)
Arms & Explosives	Arms and Explosives (A&E),
	Police Licensing and Regulatory Licensing Division Department (PLRD)

Controlled Goods



- 36 different Controlling Units under 12 different Government Controlling Agencies (CAs)
- Common reasons for such control are:
 - Public health and well-being
 - Public safety
 - Security
 - Social responsibilities
 - International agreements
- All controlled goods are legislated in the respective CAs legislations and regulations

Strategic Control Goods



- Strategic Goods refer to goods relating to the development, production, and use of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons, or missiles that are capable of delivering these weapons; and also conventional arms and military equipment
- They include certain "dual-use" goods that have both civilian and sensitive military applications, and can be used as precursors or components for WMD
- The Strategic Goods Control List comprises 2 lists:
 - 1. List of Military Goods
 - 2. List of Dual-Use Goods

Strategic Control Goods



- The list of Dual-Use Goods includes a wide range of goods that are designed for commercial applications but can have military applications or potentially be used as precursors or components of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD). They tend to be high-end technology products and speciality materials
- A 5-digit alphanumeric code is used for goods and technology listed under the List of Dual-Use Goods. The list is divided into 10 categories and each category is further divided into 5 product groups

Product Group A - Systems, Equipment and Components B - Test, Inspection and Production Equipment C - Materials D - Software 3 C 001 E - Technology Category Number 0: Nuclear Materials, Facilities & Equipment 1: Special Materials and Related Equipment 2: Materials Processina 3: Electronics 4: Computers 5: Telecommunications and "Information Security" 6: Sensors and Lasers 7: Navigation and Avionics 8: Marine Source: Singapore Customs Website 9: Aerospace and Propulsion

Strategic Control Goods



- The Strategic Goods (Control) Act regulates the physical and electronic transfer as well as the brokering of strategic goods and strategic goods technology
- The Act incorporates a 'catch-all' provision to cover all goods and technology that are intended or likely to be used for weapons of mass destruction (WMD) purposes
- A valid permit approved by Singapore Customs is required before you can:
 - Export, transship, or bring into transit any strategic controlled goods or
 - Export any document in which any technology is recorded, stored, or embodied



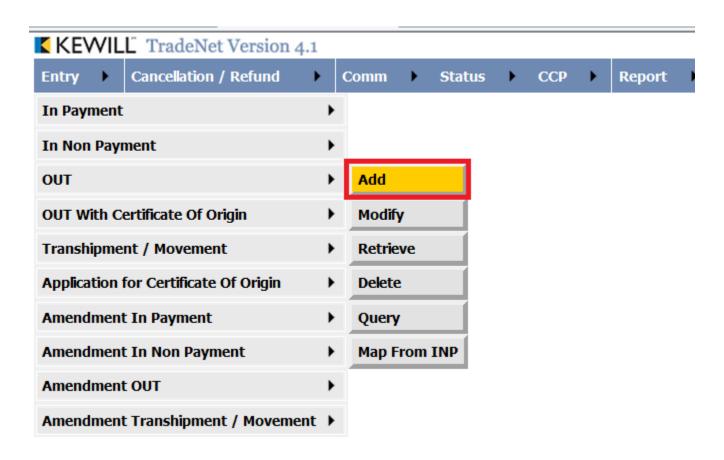
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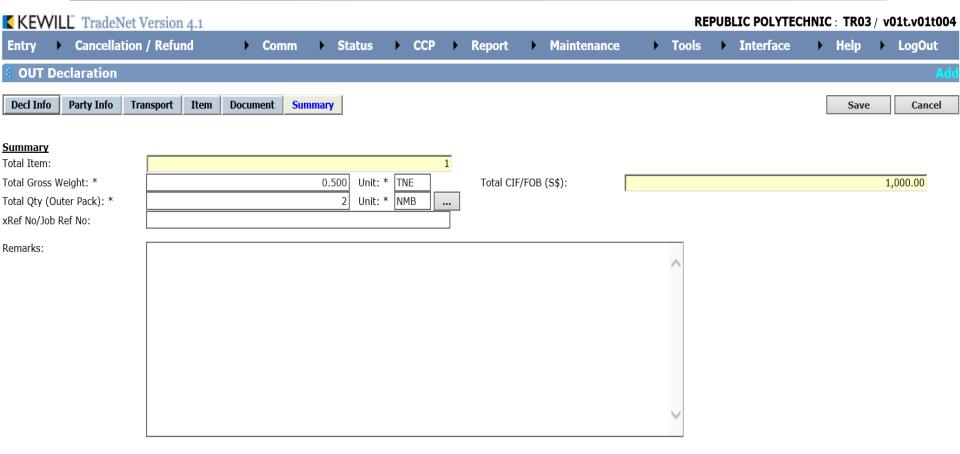


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Today's Problem



 HS Codes for Stuffed Toys representing Animals or Non-human Creatures:

HS Code	Description
9503.00.60	Stuffed Toys representing Animals or Non-human Creatures

- John needs to know the exact HS Code to use for declaration
- Toy guns and toy pistols falls under the Export Control list, and thus needs license from Arms and Explosives (A&E),Police Licensing and Regulatory Licensing Division, Department (PLRD)

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