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EDITORS' NOTE

As we crossed into the second half of 2023, Singapore Customs held a joint operation at Changi Airport with a key partner, the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority, in May 2023. 115 travellers failed to declare and pay their duties and Goods and Services Tax (GST) for goods brought into Singapore.

Do take heed of the following when returning from your next overseas trip. You must declare, upon arrival, all dutiable and taxable items in your possession. This is for any duty and GST payment that exceeds the duty-free concession and GST import relief you would still enjoy. More on pages 2 and 3.

On the trade front, we continued to actively engage and deepen relations with our global counterparts at various international and regional meetings. Turn to the next page to learn how two such meetings fulfilled our mission to facilitate international trade.

Not many would be aware of the pivotal role Singapore Customs plays in overseeing Singapore's obligations to the Chemical Weapons Convention, an international treaty prohibiting the development, production, stockpiling, transfer, and use of chemical weapons etc. So pages 7 and 8 will tell you more.

On a final yet positive note, we are pleased to share that the Electronic Banker's Guarantee Programme, which our Networked Trade Platform Office developed and has since evolved into the eGuarantee@Gov initiative, has won the OpenGov Recognition of Excellence Award (page 9). We are heartened that our steadfast commitment towards improving systems and processes continues to bear fruit.

We hope you enjoy reading this issue of inSYNC.

TAN XIAN LIN AND ISABEL CHIA
Editors



FEATURES

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● ● ● Singapore Customs actively engages other customs administrations at international and regional fora to facilitate international trade.

32ND MEETING OF THE ASEAN DIRECTORS-GENERAL OF CUSTOMS



At this annual meeting, the Directors-General will provide policy directions and strategic guidance on customs cooperation activities in the ASEAN region.

Director-General of Singapore Customs, Mr Tan Hung Hooi, had a fruitful engagement with his regional counterparts at the 32nd Meeting of the ASEAN Directors-General of Customs held in Pattaya, Thailand, from 6 to 8 June 2023.

At the annual forum, the Directors-General of Customs from ASEAN Member States reviewed the progress of workplans under the Customs Procedures and Trade Facilitation Working Group; the Customs Enforcement and Compliance Working Group; the Customs Capacity Building Working Group and their respective sub-working groups.

The Directors-General also engaged the World Customs Organisation Secretary General Dr Kunio

Mikuriya on a wide range of issues, from green customs to technology and innovation. In addition, productive exchanges arose between these leaders of the customs administrations of ASEAN and its Dialogue Partners from Australia, China, Japan and Korea.

The meeting affirmed the strong commitment and collaborative efforts of ASEAN Customs administrations in promoting seamless and secure trade.



Director-General of Singapore Customs, Mr Tan Hung Hooi, addressing the meeting.

WCO ASIA PACIFIC RHCA CONFERENCE

Deputy Director-General of Singapore Customs, Mr Lim Teck Leong, represented Singapore at the World Customs Organisation (WCO) Asia-Pacific (A/P) Regional Heads of Customs Administration (RHCA) Conference held in Perth, Australia, from 28 to 31 July 2023.

The meeting discussed matters relating to the Regional Strategic Plan, which supplements the WCO



The RHCA, organised by Australia as the WCO A/P regional Vice-Chair (2022–2024), gathered Heads (Directors-General/Commissioners) from the 34 members of the A/P region and key officials from the WCO, Regional Intelligence Liaison Office (Asia/Pacific), and Regional Office of Capacity Building (Asia/Pacific).

Strategic Plan by identifying relevant focus areas for the A/P region (Trade Security and Facilitation, Compliance and Enforcement, and Capacity Building). Several members and the private sector exchanged insights on supply chain security, the use of new technologies in customs work, and the Regional Dog Training Centres of Australia, Hong Kong, China and Indonesia.

Members also unanimously supported Hong Kong Customs Commissioner, Ms Louise Ho's nomination as the WCO A/P regional Vice-Chair for 2024–2026.



Deputy Director-General of Singapore Customs, Mr Lim Teck Leong (centre), met his counterparts, Commissioner of Hong Kong Customs and Excise Department, Ms Louise Ho (right) and Acting Controller of Royal Customs and Excise Department of Brunei Darussalam, Mr Mohammad Mu'inuddin Chin bin Abdul Rahman (left), on the sidelines.



REMEMBER TO DECLARE AND PAY TAX ON YOUR OVERSEAS HOLIDAY SHOPPING

All incoming passengers are reminded to make accurate and complete declarations of all dutiable and taxable items in their possession for duty and Goods and Services Tax (GST) payment exceeding their duty-free concession and GST import relief upon arrival. When in doubt, please approach the officers at the Customs Tax Payment Office.

All goods brought into Singapore are subject to GST at the prevailing rate of 8 per cent on the value of goods. This ensures a level playing field for local GST-registered businesses selling to local consumers. This is practised in most countries who have implemented GST or Value-Added Tax.

GST import relief on goods bought for personal use

All passengers except those who are crew members and holders of work permit, employment pass, student pass, dependent pass or long-term pass issued by the Singapore Government, will be given GST import relief on goods purchased or acquired overseas. These goods include new articles, souvenirs and gifts intended for personal use or consumption.

The relief amount is based on the value of goods they bring in and the period that they are away from Singapore. Passengers will have to pay GST on the value of the goods which is in excess of the GST import relief granted to them.

PERIOD AWAY FROM SINGAPORE	VALUE OF GOODS GRANTED GST RELIEF
48 hours and above	Up to \$500
Less than 48 hours	Up to \$100

There is no duty-free concession and GST import relief for cigarettes and tobacco products. All cigarettes and tobacco products, including those purchased in Singapore with the 'SDPC' mark, are subject to duty and GST when brought into Singapore.

They must also comply with the Standardised Packaging (SP) requirements¹. Importation of cigarettes and / or tobacco products that do not comply with the SP requirements is not allowed, and these cigarettes and / or tobacco products will be disposed of at the checkpoints.

Duty-free concession for liquor products

For liquor products, passengers and crew members are entitled to duty-free concession if they satisfy a certain set of conditions. Please refer to Singapore Customs' website at <https://go.gov.sg/duty-free-concession> for more information.

Passengers caught for not declaring dutiable and taxable goods brought into Singapore

In a joint enforcement operation between Singapore Customs and the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority at Changi Airport in May 2023, 115 passengers were caught for failing to declare and pay duties and GST on goods brought into Singapore. These goods included luxury bags, watches and cigarettes. The total composition sum imposed was close to \$28,000.



The five undeclared luxury bags purchased overseas and valued at \$13,825, with GST involved amounting to \$1,106.



The undeclared luxury watch and bag with a total value of \$5,637, and GST involved amounting to \$450.96.

¹For more information, please refer to the Health Sciences Authority's website at <https://www.hsa.gov.sg/tobacco-regulation/overview>.

In one case, a male Singaporean was caught with five undeclared luxury bags that he and his girlfriend purchased overseas. The five bags were valued at \$13,825 and the amount of GST involved was \$1,106. In another case, a female Singaporean was found with one undeclared luxury watch and one luxury bag, with a total value of \$5,637. The amount of GST involved was \$450.96.

Under the Customs Act, any person who is in any way concerned in any fraudulent evasion of, or attempt to fraudulently evade, any customs duty or excise duty shall be guilty of an offence and will be liable on conviction to a fine of up to 20 times the amount of duty and GST evaded or jailed for up to two years.

CUSTOMS@SG WEB APPLICATION: DECLARATIONS AND TAX PAYMENTS MADE EASY

Passengers are strongly encouraged to make advance declarations and payment for their dutiable or GST goods up to three days prior to their arrival in Singapore, using the Customs@SG web application.

The web application will calculate the duty and/or GST payable, and passengers may save the e-receipts in their mobile devices as proof of declaration and tax payment. Upon their arrival, they can proceed to exit the checkpoint through the Green Channel.

Passengers may access the Customs@SG web application here: <https://go.gov.sg/customs-sg>, and refer to Singapore Customs' website at <https://go.gov.sg/customssgapp> for more details.



Screenshot of Customs@SG web application landing page when viewed on mobile device.

DO YOU KNOW?

1) I bought a \$2,000 bag while holidaying overseas and started using it during the trip. Do I still have to pay GST when I bring the bag home? How is the GST computed if there is no longer any price tag/receipt/package?

Yes, the bag is subject to the prevailing GST rate of 8 per cent. Should the price tag, receipt or payment transaction records not be available, the value of the goods will be assessed based on the value of identical or similar goods when computing the GST payable.

If you have been away from Singapore for more than 48 hours, you will be entitled to a GST import relief amount of S\$500. Therefore, the amount of GST that you will have to pay is S\$120 [$S\$(2,000 - 500) \times 8$ per cent]. If you have been away from Singapore for less than 48 hours, you will be entitled to a GST import relief amount of S\$100. Therefore, the amount of GST that you will have to pay is S\$152 [$S\$(2,000 - 100) \times 8$ per cent].

2) If I were to remove the price tag/package and use an item bought overseas immediately, before returning home to Singapore, is the item still subject to GST? What if the item was bought from a second-hand shop and is not brand new? Can it be considered a used article or personal belonging where GST import relief is granted regardless of its value?

In both cases, the item is still subject to GST as they were newly purchased or newly acquired overseas. GST is payable if the value of the item exceeds the GST import relief amount granted to new articles (see Q1). "Used articles and personal belongings" are items that you already had, prior to departure from Singapore.

3) I have already paid sales tax for an item purchased overseas and I did not claim tax refund. Do I still have to pay GST?

GST is applicable on all items brought into Singapore regardless of whether foreign sales tax was paid for the item overseas, and regardless of whether the traveller has claimed a tax refund for the item abroad.

4) I had received a gift while overseas. How is the tax calculated since I will not have a receipt and will not be able to estimate the value of the gift?

Without a receipt, the value of the goods will be assessed based on the value of identical or similar goods when computing the GST payable.

SMS Chee Hong Tat visits Pasir Panjang Export Inspection Station for first-hand overview of Singapore Customs' operations

On 23 March 2023, Singapore Customs hosted a visit by the Senior Minister of State (SMS) for Finance & Transport, Mr Chee Hong Tat, at the Pasir Panjang Export Inspection Station (PPEIS).

SMS Chee was updated on a few key projects within our four transformation focus areas of "Trade Facilitation", "Compliance", "Enforcement" and "Checkpoints". SMS Chee commended these developments would benefit both public and private sector stakeholders.

SMS Chee also noted how our officers at Singapore Customs' Export Inspection Stations would continue

to play an important role at major checkpoints in safeguarding Singapore's revenue collection, as well as uphold the security of our trade supply chain.

During his tour of the PPEIS Command Centre, he further observed the inspection process for an export container, from an x-ray scanning analysis to a physical examination of the goods at the inspection bay.

SMS Chee also met various Singapore Customs' checkpoints officers to better understand the challenges of their work. He expressed his appreciation of their diligence and contributions.



Singapore Customs' checkpoints officers briefing SMS Chee on the x-ray scanning analysis for an export container.



Singapore Customs' checkpoints officers showing SMS Chee the Integrated Command Centre System used to remotely operate the Brani Export Inspection Station.



SMS Chee and Singapore Customs' checkpoints officers filming a video for his social media.



Group photograph of SMS Chee with Singapore Customs officers.

Case files: Enforcement Highlights

CASE 1: A WOMAN AND TWO MEN ARRESTED AND 259 BOTTLES OF DUTY-UNPAID LIQUOR SEIZED

For their involvement in duty-unpaid liquor activities, a female Chinese national was arrested on 11 May 2023 together with her brother and her Singaporean husband, in an operation conducted near Woodlands Avenue 6.

Singapore Customs officers had sighted her carrying two red plastic bags at a residential building's drop-off point while her brother was pushing two trolleys laden with boxes. Following checks, our officers found 54 bottles of duty-unpaid liquor in the plastic bags and boxes. A follow-up search at her residence led to another 205 bottles of duty-unpaid liquor seized.

Investigations revealed that the woman's husband had allegedly purchased the duty-unpaid liquor from an online marketplace for resale. He then engaged the siblings to liaise with buyers on the delivery using social messaging platform.

The duty and GST evaded amounted to about \$22,710 and \$2,460 respectively. Court proceedings are ongoing for the three persons.



The duty-unpaid liquor found in red plastic bags and boxes.



The duty-unpaid liquor found in the residential unit.

CASE 2: TWO MEN ARRESTED AND OVER 1,490 CARTONS OF DUTY-UNPAID CIGARETTES SEIZED

On 5 May 2023, two male Indian nationals were arrested in an operation at a carpark near Eunos Road 7A. Sighting the two men transferring brown boxes from a van to a lorry, Singapore Customs officers conducted a check. 150 cartons of duty-unpaid cigarettes were found in the van, as well as 1,343 cartons and eight packets of duty-unpaid cigarettes in the lorry.

Investigation revealed that one of the men had allegedly used his company's van to collect the boxes from an unknown lorry at a carpark at Bulim Avenue. He subsequently drove the van to the Eunos carpark. Parking the van beside his company's lorry, he had the other man to assist him in transferring the boxes between the two vehicles.



The lorry and van parked at the Eunos carpark.

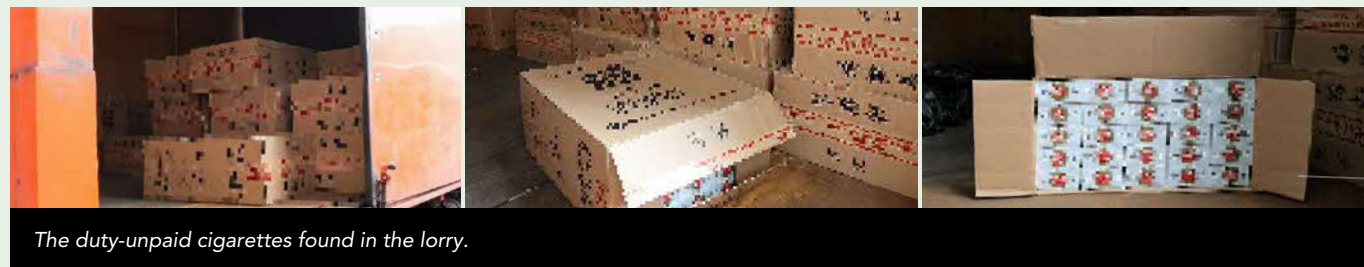


The duty-unpaid cigarettes found in the van.



The duty and GST evaded amounted to about \$146,690 and \$13,200 respectively. Both vehicles and all the duty-unpaid cigarettes were seized.

Investigations and court proceedings are ongoing.



The duty-unpaid cigarettes found in the lorry.

CASE 3: SINGAPOREAN MAN FINED OVER \$2 MILLION FOR EVADING DUTY AND GST ON IMPORTED MOTOR VEHICLES

On 10 February 2023, the State Courts sentenced the sole director of a motor vehicle trading company to a fine of \$2,090,870 for fraudulent evasion of duty and GST; by suppressing the declared values of 933 motor vehicles imported into Singapore between June 2016 and June 2019.

The man pleaded guilty to 12 charges of evading duty amounting to about \$202,990 for the imports of 120 motor vehicles. Another 62 similar charges – for duty and GST evasion amounting to about \$1,301,360 and \$631,810 respectively for the imports of 813

motor vehicles – as well as a charge relating to failure to retain documents, were taken into consideration during sentencing.

Investigations revealed that he had paid his overseas suppliers the actual values for the vehicles but obtained commercial invoices with lower values. He submitted these false invoices as supporting documents for Singapore Customs to assess the customs values for the vehicles. When importing them into Singapore, he instructed his declaring agent to declare the import permits based on the suppressed values.

Protecting revenue while facilitating trade fairs

Singapore Customs works closely with the Singapore Tourism Board (STB) to facilitate international trade fairs by granting duty exemption and Goods and Services (GST) relief for eligible products at the trade fairs. For wine trade fairs, each exhibitor enjoys the facilitation for eligible wine products – for up to 2.25 litres per label, per day.

To facilitate companies' compliance with the customs regulations, Singapore Customs engages relevant stakeholders through pre-event outreach to ensure that they understand the customs requirements such as the import requirements and permit application procedures in order to enjoy the facilitation.

To protect revenue, Singapore Customs officers will also conduct on-site visits to ensure that exhibitors comply with the facilitation requirements. If the exhibitors fail to comply, Singapore Customs will recover the revenue and take appropriate compliance action accordingly.

Our officers were therefore on the ground at two international trade fairs – the ProWine 2023 and the FHA-Food & Beverage – held in Singapore from 25 to 28 April 2023. They ensured that the wine imported was only used for the purpose of sampling at these exhibitions, which were supported by STB.



Singapore Customs officers conducting on-site checks to ensure compliance from exhibitors.



To easily identify the approved wines, tamper-proof, non-removable and non-reusable stickers were affixed on the body of the exempted bottles.



Singapore Customs hosts international body and conducts regional training in line with chemical weapons treaty

The Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) is an international treaty prohibiting the development, production, stockpiling, transfer, and use of chemical weapons, and also stipulates their timely destruction. The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) is the implementing body for the CWC. Its responsibilities include monitoring the implementation status of its member states, conducting on-site verifications, and facilitating consultation and collaboration amongst its member states. In 2013, the OPCW was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for its extensive efforts to eliminate chemical weapons.

Singapore Customs' role in overseeing Singapore's obligations to CWC

Singapore ratified the CWC in May 1997, and Singapore Customs is the designated national focal point and liaison with the OPCW and other member states of the CWC. Singapore Customs administers the Chemical Weapons (Prohibition) Act (CWPA), Chemical Weapons (Prohibition) Regulations 2007 (CWPR) and its subsidiary legislations, and collaborate with relevant government

agencies to ensure the necessary legislative and regulatory framework to enforce Singapore's obligations under the Convention.

Singapore Customs also plays a pivotal role in safeguarding Singapore's adherence to the CWC via a multi-pronged approach of enhancing self-compliance, timely detection of violations, deterrence through robust enforcement and penalties, and regular monitoring of compliance status by implementing licensing requirements for activities involving controlled items listed by the CWC.

OPCW Inspections

Under the CWC, member states must declare any chemical weapons-related activities. These declarations serve as the basis for data monitoring and on-site inspections by the OPCW at the declared facilities.

From 5 to 16 February 2023, Singapore Customs hosted the OPCW inspection team at three selected sites, to verify that activities at the declared facilities were in accordance with the CWC and the submitted declarations. The inspection ensures that Singapore upholds its commitment to the Convention, and deters against any intended contravention of its provisions. Overall, the inspection was conducted smoothly without any adverse findings.



Singapore Customs and SCDF officers with participants from the seven Asian State Parties. (Photo: SCDF)



At Tuas View Fire Station, SCDF briefed participants on the equipment for a HazMat response.



A participant learning to don a protection suit.

7th Regional Training Course on Emergency Response to Chemical Incidents for Asian States Parties

Singapore Customs actively takes part in initiatives facilitated by the OPCW to foster international cooperation. The initiatives include exchange of best practices and capacity-building programmes to bolster the worldwide implementation and enforcement of the CWC. This collaboration reinforces the collective ability of nations to combat the threat of chemical weapons.

From 2 to 5 May 2023, participants from seven Asian States (Bangladesh, Fiji, Malaysia, Maldives, Pakistan, the Palestinian Territories, and Singapore) were hosted by Singapore Customs and Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) at the Civil Defence Academy for a biennial training course. This training initiative serves as part of Singapore's national contribution to the OPCW.

Throughout the four-day course, participants had the opportunity to enhance their knowledge in various domains, including the regulatory framework governing the transport of hazardous materials, and the operating procedures for handling emergencies involving chemical agents.



Participants also visited the Home Team Tactical Centre. One of its training facilities was to simulate a collapsed building and how officers respond to such situations.

Singapore Customs wins recognition award for Electronic Banker's Guarantee Programme

Singapore Customs received the OpenGov Recognition of Excellence Award for the Electronic Banker's Guarantee Programme (EBGP) at the 8th Annual Singapore OpenGov Leadership Forum 2023 on 11 May 2023.

The EBGP was launched in 2020, and has saved traders, banks and Singapore Customs about \$9,000 and 900 man-hours per annum across the 300 Banker's Guarantees lodged with Singapore Customs. Most importantly, it also ensures authenticity of the Banker's Guarantee and protects government revenue.

The EBGP has now evolved to become the eGuarantee@Gov initiative and adopted by more than 34 government agencies and 27 financial institutions.

The award is a testament to Singapore Customs' strong collaborative efforts with



Deputy Director of Networked Trade Platform Office, Ms Patricia Poh (left), receiving the OpenGov Recognition of Excellence Award on behalf of Singapore Customs from OpenGov Asia Chief Executive Officer and Editor-in-Chief, Mr Mohit Sagar (right), on 11 May 2023.

our stakeholders in digitalising trade and simplifying process. We will continue to collaborate to improve the systems and processes where all of us can benefit to make trade easy, fair and secure.

Singapore Customs hosts visit from Missile Technology Control Regime

On 22 May 2023, Singapore Customs and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) hosted a delegation from the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) at the Tuas Export Inspection Station. During the meeting, Singapore shared updates on our strategic trade control system, and exchanged insights on recent trends and developments related to the MTCR.

Singapore is a key node in the global trade network. As the national authority for strategic goods control, Singapore Customs recognises the crucial role it plays in combating the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction to uphold trade security.



A Singapore Customs officer briefing the MTCR delegation at Tuas Export Inspection Station.



The MTCR delegation with Singapore Customs and MFA officers.



Planting trees for a greener Singapore

On 4 May 2023, Singapore Customs officers joined the nationwide OneMillionTrees movement as part of Singapore's sustainability efforts for a greener Singapore. Led by the National Parks Board (NParks), the movement is a nationwide effort to plant a million trees across Singapore over the next 10 years.

Singapore Customs officers planted 23 tree saplings of seven different species at Fort Canning Park, contributing our part towards a more liveable and sustainable Singapore. At the event, the participants also learnt more about the rich heritage of the park through guided tours.

Singapore Customs strives to be a good corporate citizen, and is committed to contributing to the local and international communities. The tree-planting activity was part of Singapore Customs' corporate social responsibility efforts spearheaded by our Staff Well-Being Committee.



Singapore Customs Director-General, Mr Tan Hung Hooi, (left) watering the sapling he planted with NParks Executive Director (National Parks, Gardens & Nature Reserves Cluster), Dr Leong Chee Chiew (right).



Singapore Customs officers doing their part for the environment.

New STP partner on board

The Secure Trade Partnership (STP) is a Singapore Customs certification programme that encourages companies to adopt robust security measures and contribute towards improving the security of the global supply chain. It is consistent with the World Customs Organisation SAFE Framework of Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade. The following company was STP-certified in the first quarter of 2023. A company with higher security measures in place will be eligible for STP-Plus.

Companies with STP-Plus certification will receive additional facilitation through the Mutual Recognition Arrangements with our international counterparts such as expedited cargo clearance.

Dimerco Express Group

Global shipping and logistics company

"This STP-Plus certification demonstrates Dimerco's robust capabilities in security and visibility of goods, which reduce the risk of cargo theft and ensure efficient and safe supply chain management for all customers," said Mr Henry Tay, Country Manager of Singapore.

DO YOU KNOW?

RETRIEVE ELECTRONIC SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND AUTHORITIES FROM NTP



For meat and meat products for human consumption from Australia and New Zealand, as well as animal products not for human consumption, plant and plant products from New Zealand, Singapore importers and their authorised declaring agents (DAs) can now use the **Electronic Sanitary and Phytosanitary Certificate (e-SPS) Enquiry Service** on the Networked Trade Platform (NTP) to retrieve the e-SPS certificates issued by Australian and New Zealand authorities. With these certificates retrieved via the NTP, they no longer have to wait for their trading partners to send them a copy.

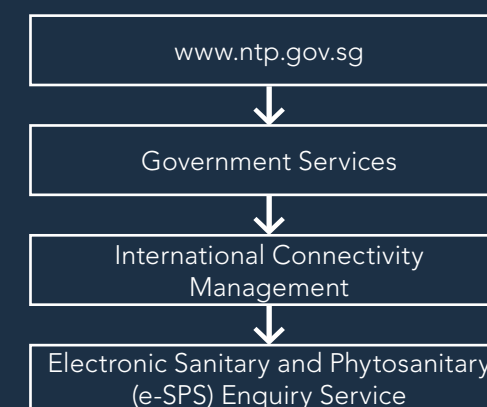
WHAT TYPES OF E-SPS CERTIFICATE DETAILS CAN BE RETRIEVED THROUGH NTP?

You can retrieve e-SPS certificate details for the following products:

- For imports from Australia:** Meat and meat products for human consumption
- For imports from New Zealand:** Meat and meat products for human consumption, animal products not for human consumption, plant and plant products

HOW DO I RETRIEVE THE E-SPS DETAILS?

If you are an importer, you or your authorised declaring agent (DA) can retrieve the e-SPS certificate details by accessing:



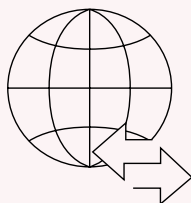
To retrieve your certificates, you or your authorised DAs will require the Certificate Reference Number and indicate the exporting country (i.e., Australia or New Zealand).

For more information, please refer to **Circulars 07/2023** and **11/2023** on Singapore Customs' website.

TRAINING CALENDAR

With the appointment of Nanyang Polytechnic (NYP) and Republic Polytechnic (RP) to conduct the existing suite of business courses since January 2020, the business courses conducted by Singapore Customs Academy has ceased from January 2020.

For latest course updates and to sign up for the business courses conducted by NYP or RP, please visit the respective polytechnic's website. All courses will be conducted virtually, except for SC111.



SC100

NYP:

**14 TO 15 AUG 2023,
11 TO 12 SEP 2023,
2 TO 3 OCT 2023**

SC101

**16 AUG 2023,
13 SEP 2023,
4 OCT 2023**

Same dates for SC102 & SC103

RP:

**21 TO 22 AUG 2023
18 TO 19 SEP 2023,
16 TO 17 OCT 2023**

SC101

20 SEP 2023, 18 OCT 2023

SC102

**23 AUG 2023, 20 SEP 2023,
18 OCT 2023**

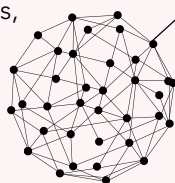
SC103

BASICS OF EVERY DECLARANT

This course provides an overview of customs procedures pertaining to the import and export of goods, the basic requirements for preparing TradeNet declarations, classification of goods, and the rules of origin:

- SC101 Customs Procedures (Two days)
- SC102 Classification and the Harmonised System (half-day)
- SC103 Rules of Origin/Free Trade Agreements (half-day)

Participants may register for individual modules.



OUTREACH PROGRAMME FOR NEWLY-REGISTERED MANUFACTURERS

Conducted by Singapore Customs, this programme is designed to equip newly-registered manufacturers with a better understanding of the rules of origin under Singapore's Free Trade Agreements, the application procedure for certificates of origin, and the compliance requirements.

For enquiries, please email customs_roo@customs.gov.sg.

SC111

NYP:

**18 AUG 2023, 15 SEP 2023,
6 OCT 2023**

RP:

**24 AUG 2023, 21 SEP 2023,
19 OCT 2023**

HANDS-ON TRADENET DECLARATION

This one-day workshop provides new declarants with basic information on TradeNet and its various message and declaration types.

The guided practical session uses simulated scenarios to prepare and submit a declaration using the Government Frontend Solution.



SC200

NYP:

**17 AUG 2023, 14 SEP 2023,
5 OCT 2023**

Same dates for SC201 & SC202

RP:

**23 AUG 2023, 25 AUG 2023,
22 SEP 2023, 20 OCT 2023**

SC201

**25 AUG 2023, 22 SEP 2023,
20 OCT 2023**

SC202

STRATEGIC GOODS CONTROL PROGRAMME

This one-day seminar provides an overview of Singapore's strategic goods control system and its regulations, registration procedures and permit requirements for strategic goods transactions, as well as the essentials of an internal (export control) compliance programme.

The seminar comprises two modules:

- SC201 Basics of Strategic Goods Control (half-day)
- SC202 Essentials of Internal (Export Control) Compliance Programme (half-day)

Participants may register for individual modules.