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Regulatory Alert: Regulation Change on Express Shipments into South Korea

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Effective July 1, 2017, Korea Customs Service (KCS) will apply the formal entry process on any import express shipments to South Korea that have an incomplete consignee address or incomplete telephone number on the air waybill or commercial invoice.

To help ensure smooth and problem-free customs clearance, the following should be noted:

- The process is applicable regardless of the declared value of shipments. Informal entry is applied for shipments with a declared value less than USD 150 (or USD 200 from the U.S.), but if the shipment has incomplete information, it will be processed by formal entry.
- Consignee addresses and phone numbers should be clearly stated on air waybills and commercial invoices. Failing to do so may result in the delay of a shipment by at least one business day.

Note - Certain products require a formal entry into South Korea regardless of value. These include medicines, animal products under CITES, products requiring quarantine, foods, arms, or any other products requested by Korean Customs.

Background

Previously, incomplete information triggered a higher possibility of selection for onsite inspection.

Timeline for Implementation: Immediate

References: APAC Regulatory Update website - <http://www.fedex.com/sg/news/custom.html>