



ICS 2 – More efficient risk assessment & security measures

From 01.03.2023, the EU will introduce a new import control system for risk assessment and security, based on an information system with cargo pre-notification.

The ICS 2 (Import Control System 2) replaces the long-implemented ICS as part of customs risk management. The aim is to protect the European internal market more effectively prior loading. What is new: This is a 2-step declaration process.

Step No. 1 – Pre Loading Advance Cargo Information (PLACI)

- Electronic pre-cargo declaration at HAWB level by the airline prior to loading into the aircraft at the point of departure. The notification can be completed by the forwarder.

Data required:

- Name and address of the actual sender and recipient
- EORI number of the recipient
- Number of packages
- Total gross weight
- Detailed description of goods and 6-digit HS code
- AWB number (HAWB/MAWB)

Step No. 2 – Pre Arrival Information

- Electronic pre-arrival information at MAWB level by the airline prior to arrival in the European receiving country:
 - For short-haul flights (< 4 hours): At the latest at the time of departure
 - For long-haul flights (> 4 hours): At least 4 hours before arrival

To avoid delays in the transport process, you should contact your internal and external shippers in advance and ensure that the required and correct data is provided to the shipping agent at the point of departure. Special attention should be paid to the correct tariff classification (HS code) and description of goods.

If you have any questions, the team at a. hartrodt Germany will be happy to assist you at any time.