



External Release Notes 16.4.01

Purpose

The scheduled date for Integrated Cargo System (ICS) release 16.4.01 (c520375) is 20 March 2016 (any change to the proposed date will be notified).

These notes are designed to provide plain English descriptions of the changes with the aim of providing a better understanding of what has been fixed or changed and how it might relate to ICS business processes.

C462293 - Client cannot Print Advice/Print Document

There is an issue with Full Import Declarations (FIDs) where users cannot print an 'Advice/Document' and/or are not receiving .pdf documents via their text email address. This is due to a fault in the program which accommodates the number of characters in the <DECLINES> character block for the document.

This change will rectify print issues and clients will receive .pdf documents via their text email address.

C520692 - Client unable to obtain Prints for certain Full Import Declarations (FIDs) - invalid/Special character issue

ICS users are unable to print an "Advice/Document" for certain FIDs and are not receiving .pdf documents via their text email address due to existence of 'special' characters that cause various processes to fail.

Certain 'special' characters inserted into Extensible Markup Language (XML) will error in the Outbound Delivery System (ODS) and cause prints to fail. This change will rectify 'special' character related print issues and clients will receive .pdf documents via their text email address.

C512823 - Mandating AQIS Producer Code on FIDs and Allowing AQIS Producer Codes to be Created by Licensed Brokers

The Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (DAWR) are introducing a mandatory reporting requirement where a Producer must be declared for each line of food reported on a FID. Mandating this requirement will allow DAWR, Food Standards Australia/New Zealand and state and territory governments to efficiently assess the potential impact to the health and safety of the Australian public from overseas food safety incidents and to respond with effective border and post-border controls. Refer to "**Attachment A**" for further details.

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C521131 – Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) Import Processing Charge (IPC) exclusion

A change is being made to Nature 10 Full Import Declaration (FID) processing to exempt payment of the Import Processing Charge (IPC) where all imported goods reported on the FID are identified as being subject to a Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA). Refer to “**Attachment B**” for further details.

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Attachment A: AQIS Producer Codes

Currently the ability to create new Producer Codes is restricted to DAWR staff. This change will allow External Users with the Role of Licensed Brokerage to CREATE AQIS Producer Codes in the ICS.

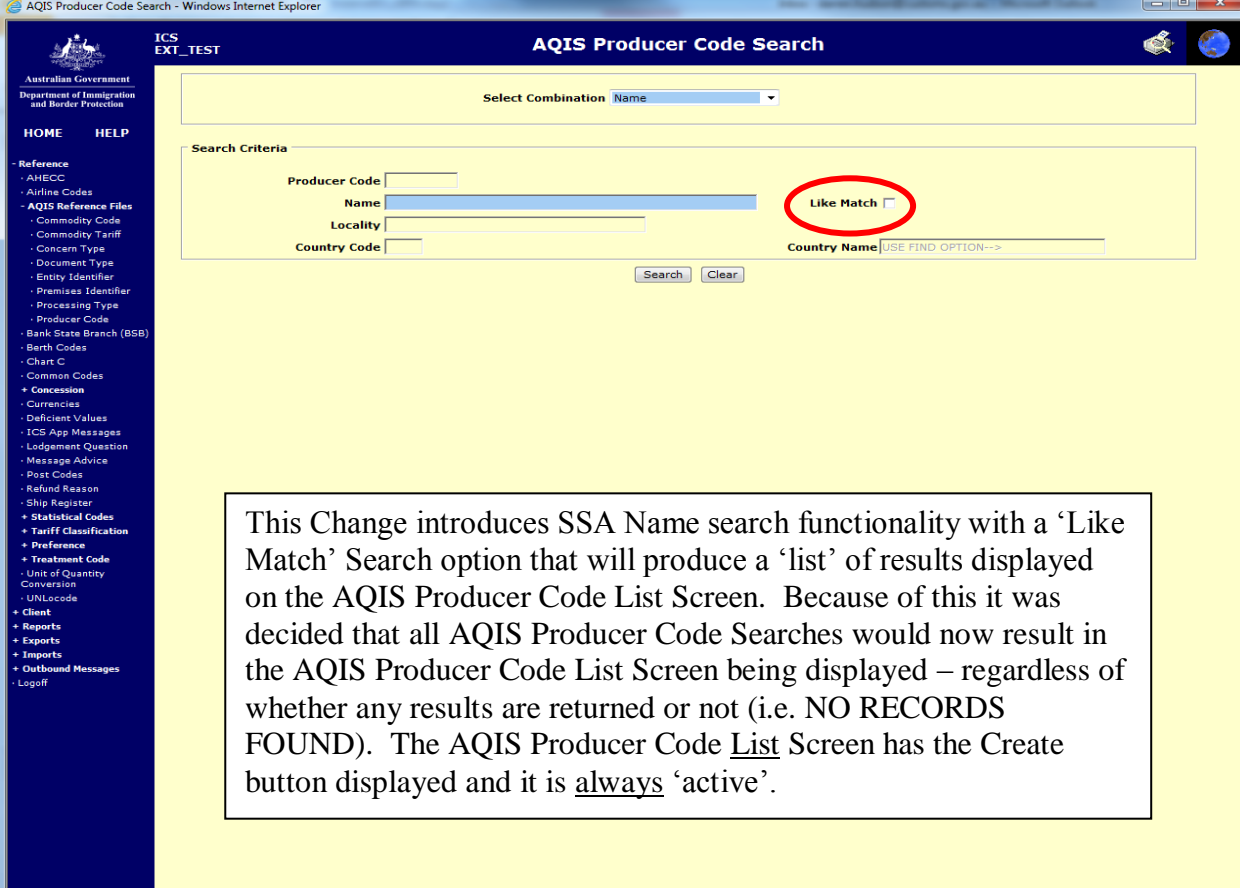
Licensed Brokerages will only be able to CREATE AQIS Producer Codes via Cargo Interactive (CI) – the AQIS Producer Code create functionality is **not** available through EDI Messaging.

External Users with the Role of Licensed Brokerage will **not** be able to AMEND or DELETE AQIS Producer Codes in the ICS.

AQIS Producer Codes will be available for use as soon as they have been created in the ICS. Note that EDI Reference Files will update overnight as per current process.

The AQIS Producer Code CREATE button has been moved from the Search screen to the List screen. (See figures 1 & 2.)

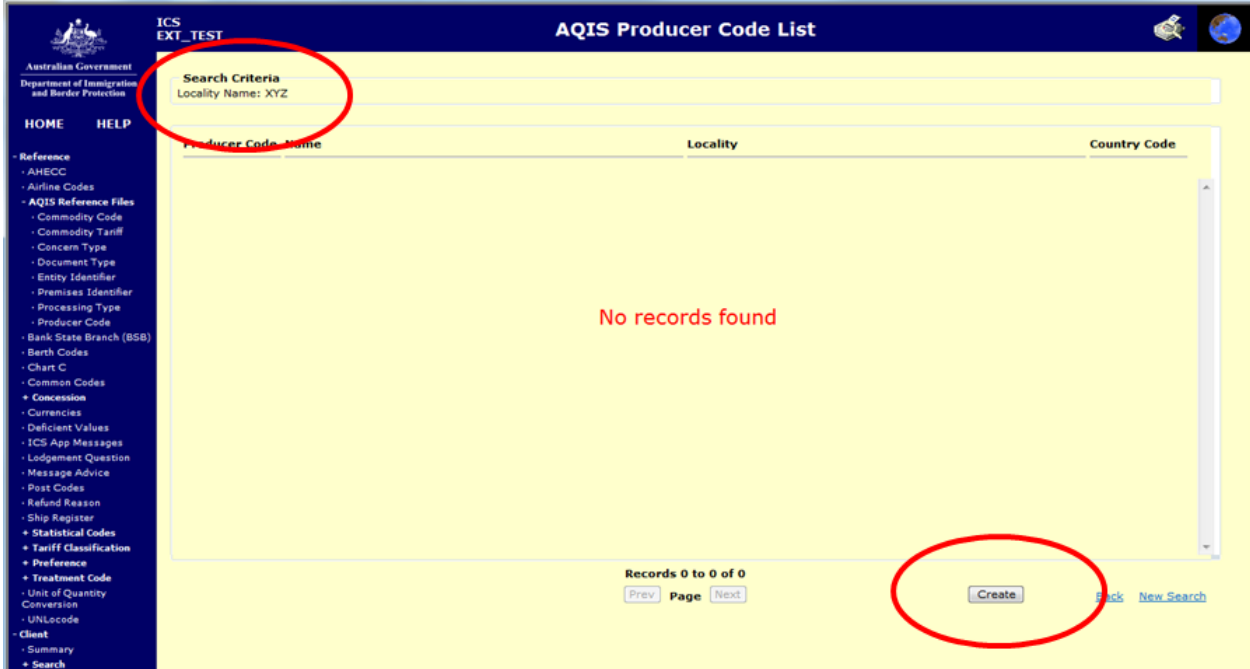
Figure 1.



This Change introduces SSA Name search functionality with a 'Like Match' Search option that will produce a 'list' of results displayed on the AQIS Producer Code List Screen. Because of this it was decided that all AQIS Producer Code Searches would now result in the AQIS Producer Code List Screen being displayed – regardless of whether any results are returned or not (i.e. NO RECORDS FOUND). The AQIS Producer Code List Screen has the Create button displayed and it is always 'active'.

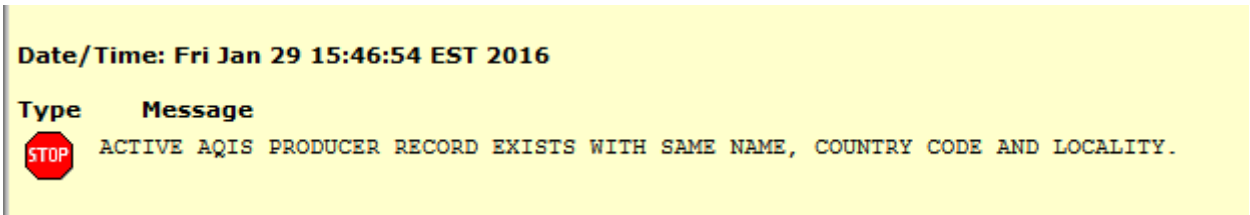
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Figure 2.



Exact duplicates (must be 100% 'match') cannot be created and the ICS will return an error message. (See figure 3).

Figure 3.



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In addition to a wildcard search new search functionality using SSA Name will retrieve a “like match” which includes a ‘Match Score’ column. (See figure 4).

Figure 4.

Search Criteria
 Producer Name: ZAKLAD; Like Match: Y

Producer Code	Name	Locality	Country Code	Score
00100044	ZAKLAD FOR DARREN	CANBERRA	CN	98
0002460Y	ZAKLAD PRZETWORSTWA	POLAND	CN	98
0002458T	ZAKLAD PRODUKCYJNO HANDLOWY	POLAND 2	PL	91

Note that for ‘Like Match’ Searches the AQIS Producer Code List Screen includes a ‘Match Score’ column. ‘Match Score’ values are sorted in descending order.

The ‘cut-off’ for returning ‘Like Matches’ is an eighty percent (80%) match result.

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Note also that for SSA ‘Like Match’ Producer Name searches, even if there are greater than fifty results found, only the first fifty (50) results will be returned. There will be no PREV/NEXT button functionality for this particular Search option.

There will continue to be PREV/NEXT button functionality for all other Search types (see example below).

Prev/Next Example

Search Criteria
 Country Code: CN

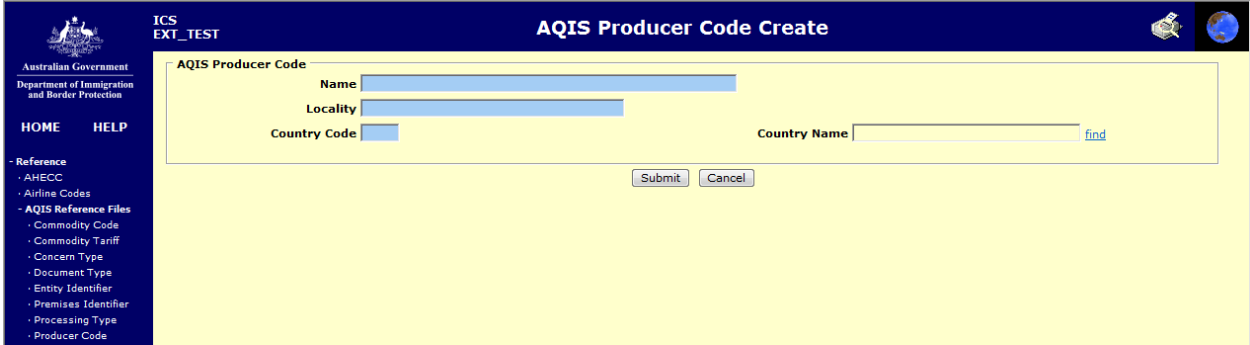
Producer Code	Name	Locality	Country Code
0007894W	AHCOF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CO LTD	CHINA	CN
0009152V	ALLIED PACIFIC AQUATIC PRODUCTS	CHINA	CN
0008016V	ALLIED PACIFIC FOOD (DALIAN) CO LTD	CHINA	CN
0005841X	ANHUAN FOOD FACTORY (CHINA)	CHINA	CN
0010516U	ANHUI ANP IMPORT & EXPORT CO LTD (HEFEL)	HEFEL	CN
0003593B	ANHUI BENGBU IMPORT AND EXPORT CORP	CHINA	CN
0007709Q	ANHUI BIOCHEMICAL CO LTD (CHINA)	CHINA	CN
0003025Y	ANHUI CEREALS OILS & FOODSTUFFS IMPORT &	CHINA	CN
00200309	ANHUI GUOYANG SHUNXING CEREALS, OILS &	AUHUI	CN
0004982U	ANHUI HESEI TAO YONG XIANG ROASTED FOOD	CHINA	CN
0001760B	ANHUI LIGHT INDUSTRIAL IMPORT & EXPORT CO	CHINA, PEOPLES REPUBLIC	CN
0004992W	ANHUI NATIVE PRODUCE IMPORT & EXPORT	CHINA	CN
00200745	ANHUI PROVINCE CHENGZIN FOOD LIMITED	XINDAJIE ANHUI	CN
0010713X	ANHUI SINORESOURCE CO LTD (ANHUI CHINA)	ANHUI	CN
0010308M	ANHUI TEA IMP & EXP (ANHUI CHINA)	ANHUI	CN
0010137Y	ANHUI TECHNOLOGY IMP & EXP CO LTD (ANHUI	ANHUI	CN
0020018Z	ANHUI XIAO LIU FOODSTUFFS CO LTD	ANHUI	CN

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Selecting the CREATE button from the AQIS Producer Code List Screen takes you to the AQIS Producer Code Create Screen. (See figure 5).

Figure 5.



ICS does not validate whether a Producer Code existed at the Effective Duty Date for a FID Lodgement.

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Attachment B: SOFA Goods.

1. Background

Australia has a Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) with a number of foreign governments that allow for the importation and identification of goods owned by the foreign government. These goods are identified by the use of By-laws and fall into 3 categories – SOFA commissary goods, SOFA personal effects and goods of foreign governments.

All Import Declarations lodged through the Integrated Cargo System (ICS) are currently subjected to the applicable Import Processing Charge (IPC).

Changes are being effected which will allow SOFA goods to be entered exempt from the payment of IPC. This exemption will be applied on the basis of use of SOFA-specific By-laws. Before the implementation of this policy, a new SOFA By-law will be created to capture SOFA imports previously reported under the goods of foreign government By-law.

2. ICS Solution

This change will provide the ability to quote and clear a SOFA consignment on an Import Declaration via Cargo Interactive (CI) or via EDI messaging.

The creation of a new By-law and Characteristic Code will provide for the exemption of the IPC on SOFA goods imported under the appropriate By-law.

The exemption will only apply where all lines on the FID are SOFA goods and quote applicable SOFA By-laws.

This change will apply to Nature 10 (N10) FIDs only.

Note: this change only affects those Importers/ Brokers who import SOFA goods. Although this change is being implemented into the ICS in release 16.4.01 charges impacted by this change will not be altered until after the passage of related legislation in the Autumn 2016 parliamentary sittings. A commencement date will be notified to industry once this has occurred.

3. ICS Cargo Interactive (CI) Changes

A “SOFA Indicator” indicates that all lines on the Declaration relate to a Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) consignment.

Navigation to the “SOFA Indicator” tick box is from the “Import Document Create” menu via the “Import Declaration Header Create” screen. (See figure 1.)

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Figure 1.

The screenshot shows the 'Import Declaration (N10) Header Create' form. The 'SOFA Ind' checkbox is highlighted with a red box. The form includes sections for Importer Details, Broker Details, Valuation Elements, and various checkboxes and input fields.

Type	Amount	Currency
Invoice Total	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> find
Overseas Freight	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Overseas Insurance	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

	Amount	Currency
Free On Board	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> find
Cost, Insurance & Freight	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> find

When the “SOFA Indicator” is checked the SOFA related Tariff Classification (99993011/05) under Item 11 of Schedule 4 must be used for each FID Line. The appropriate By-law(s) must also be quoted to exempt the entry from the IPC. If any Line of the FID does not quote the correct SOFA Tariff Classification and/or By-law an error message will be displayed. (See figure 2.)

Figure 2.

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Department of Immigration and Border Protection

Business Errors

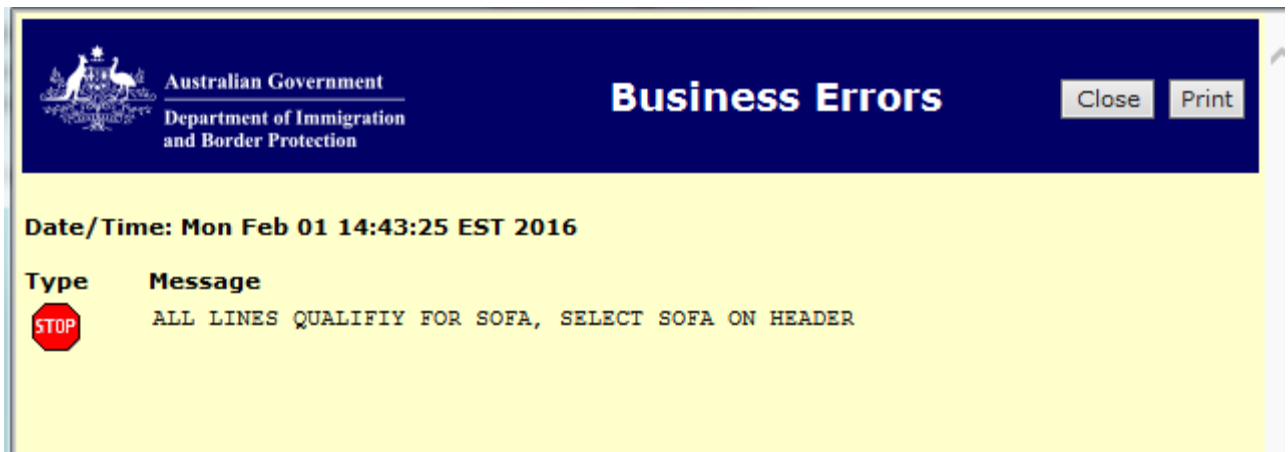
Date/Time: Mon Feb 01 14:39:50 EST 2016

Type	Message
	NOT ALL LINES QUALIFY FOR SOFA, SOFA NOT ALLOWED TO BE SELECTED ON THE HEADER

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When the SOFA Indicator is **not** checked and the SOFA related Tariff Classification (99993011/05) under Item 11 of Schedule 4 has been used for each FID Line and the appropriate By-law(s) have been quoted an error message will be displayed. (See figure 3.)

Figure 3.



4. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)

Setting the “SOFA” document property for an Import Declaration (IMD) EDI message indicates that all of the goods/Lines in the Declaration are covered by a Status of Forces Agreement.

When applicable, the new “SOFA” property is to be provided within an IMD message as a Header Document Property, by specifying the string “SOFA” in an RFF segment at position 0130 in Segment Group 1 as follows:

RFF+HDP:SOFA'

If SOFA does not apply to an Import Declaration then do not include that SOFA RFF segment.

The position 0130 RFF segment is documented in the Software Developers Guide (SDG) Import Declaration (IMD) implementation guide.

The Header Document Property field is documented in the SDG’s User Data Dictionary, however that page has **not** yet been updated to mention “SOFA”. Note though that the “SOFA” property is to be set in exactly the same way as the “UPE” and “SAC” properties are documented. The next version of the SDG will include an update to the User Data Dictionary to cover the “SOFA” property.

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5. Full Import Declaration (FID) Nature Type

The “SOFA Indicator” only relates to a Nature 10 (N10) FID document type.

A SOFA Tariff line may be quoted on a FID other than a N10 but in these instances the IPC will not be exempted.

The “SOFA Indicator” via CI or the SOFA Header Document Property via EDI **cannot** be supplied on Nature 20 or Nature 30 FIDs. The indicators are not available on the CI screens and for EDI, if SOFA is indicated the following error message will be generated:

FTX+AAO+++SOFA HEADER PROPERTY IS NOT ALLOWED FOR NATURE TYPE'

6. Lodgement Declaration

When the SOFA Header Document Property is supplied for an N10 via EDI or the “SOFA Indicator” is checked for an N10 via CI an additional Lodgement Declaration is required.

The wording of the SOFA Lodgement Declaration is yet to be finalised but will be similar to the following:

I DECLARE THAT THE GOODS REPORTED ON THIS DECLARATION ARE GOODS IMPORTED PURSUANT TO A SOFA AGREEMENT AND THAT THE IMPORT PROCESSING CHARGE (IPC) IS NOT APPLICABLE FOR THE ENTRY.