



Release 8.4.08 – Notes

Purpose

This release (release 8.4.08) is scheduled for implementation on 24 September 2007 which contains several changes and incidents fixes. These notes are designed to provide plain English explanations of the nature of the incidents and changes that are industry facing, to allow clients to better understand what has been fixed and how it might relate to their business.

General Changes / Incidents

C5420 – Date Format

Previously, all date entry fields in ICS consist of three separate fields: day, month and year. The ICS has been enhanced to allow dates to be entered in a single field, and reduce the number of keystrokes wherever possible by providing flexible date formats.

For more information go to [ACCA 2007/17](#).

C6638/C7144/i219660 – Client Registration

In the past, the Registered Client Search screen performance in terms of CPU usage and user response time was increasing to unsatisfactorily levels due to duplication of searching various databases. Several changes have been introduced to eliminate Client Search screen performance issues.

Declaration related Changes / Incidents

C4912 – Allow voluntary payment of duty on shipments with a customs value at or below the entry threshold (AUD\$1000) amount

This change is associated with IAG Issue 308, Low Value Full Import Declaration (FID) functionality, and refers to the circumstances where importers are required to pay revenue for bulk order or split consignments but the current system functionality treats low value shipments as Self Assessed Clearance (SAC) declarations. For more information go to [ACCA 2007/18](#).

For EDI users

With the implementation of this change a new lodgement declaration can be supplied when submitting a FID. Currently when a FID is submitted with a Customs value at or below AUD\$1000 the Lodgement Declaration must be supplied declaring that the value does not exceed \$1000. From implementation an additional Lodgement Declaration (Declaration No. 00375) will be able to be provided to nominate that duty/GST be calculated/paid. The effect of supplying this declaration is that the ICS will calculate ALL duties (including dumping duty) and GST payable/defer amounts. To obtain clearance any liability must be paid.

Customs Interactive Users

With implementation, there will no longer be available the SAC (full declaration format) declaration. Users will need to access the functionality of the Import Declaration (N10) and utilise two new indicators on the create screen where the customs value is at or below the entry threshold AUD\$1000, and indicate that payment of duty and taxes is also required.

C6965 - Refund Reason Code Validation Rule Changes

As a result of a co-design Refunds Workshop held in late 2006 a request was made to change the ICS validation rules surrounding the supply of refund reason codes on an amendment to an Import Declaration made by EDI.

Previously, if a Refund Reason Code is supplied on an amendment to a line where there has been no refund calculated the ICS will error and rejects the amendment. Now the ICS will no longer error and reject the amendment in this case. The ICS will ignore the refund reason code if it is supplied on a line in error.

i28675, i202570 – Refund Only Accounts

Previously in the ICS, a fatal error message was displayed when a refund only account was selected to pay for a Full Import Declaration. Now in the ICS, when users navigate to the Payment Confirmation Screen and click the drop down box for Bank Account Details, refund only accounts are automatically excluded from the list and will not display.

Sea Cargo Reporting related Changes / Incidents

C2627/ i18768/ i34599/i38829 – Vessel Name Changes

Previously in the ICS, searching for vessel names was quite confusing, as all records would display for a specific Ship Number rather than only displaying the current vessel name. This is now fixed and works correctly.

With the implementation of these changes, registered Industry Action Group number 196 has now been closed.

i155175 – Underbond Movements

In the past, when the Destination Establishment ID changes in an amended Underbond Movement, the Rescind Notice for the original Underbond Movement was going to the new destination establishment. This has been rectified and the Underbond Movement Rescind Notice now goes to the correct establishment.

i248335 – Freight Forwarder Indicator

Previously in the ICS, when users amended the Ocean Bill Freight Forwarders Indicator from NO to YES a systems error would occur and prevent the linking of the Sea Cargo Report and the Import Declaration. Now when the indicator is changed, no error message is generated and the linking of the Sea Cargo Report and the Import Declaration is successful.

i272894 – Cargo Status Messages

Incidents have occurred in the ICS, where container x-ray messages are being replaced in Stevedore Software by HELD Cargo Status Messages generated as a result of AQIS placing or lifting Conditional Release assessments on the related Full Import Declaration. This is no longer the case.

Air Cargo Reporting related Changes / Incidents

i25639, i273383 – Air Actual Arrival Reports

Previously an EDI error message relating to the Air Actual Arrival Report which was generated by the ICS has caused confusion amongst users. The error message describes an arrival date and time however the calculation does not adjust correctly to the specific time zone for the arrival port. Now, the new EDI error message will read as follows:

“REPORTED ARRIVAL DATE/TIME (LOCAL) > CURRENT DATE/TIME (LOCAL)”

Export Reporting related Changes / Incidents

C6877/i275033 - EDN idle advice timing in notification message

Currently the ICS automatically sends Idle advice messages to industry if an EDN or CRN has not been manifested 14 days after intended date of export. This change will result in advices being sent out 10 days after intended date of export allowing industry 20 days to deal with the idles in the ICS. A more meaningful new idle advice message text is also being introduced:

THE CUSTOMS AUTHORITY NUMBER (CAN) MENTIONED IN THIS ADVICE HAS BEEN DEEMED IDLE BY CUSTOMS. IF THE GOODS REFERRED TO IN THE CAN HAVE BEEN EXPORTED, CONTACT THE CARRIER OR CONSOLIDATOR TO HAVE THE CAN MANIFESTED. IF THE EXPORT HAS BEEN DELAYED, AMEND THE DATE OF EXPORT. IF THE GOODS ARE NOT TO BE EXPORTED, WITHDRAW THE CAN. IF NO ACTION IS TAKEN BY DD-MM-CCYY THE CAN AND THE AUTHORITY TO DEAL WITH THESE GOODS WILL BE REVOKED BY CUSTOMS.

i131785 – Withdrawal of Revoked Export Document Number

Previously the ICS allowed the withdrawal of an Export Document Number when it was more than seven days after being revoked. Now the ICS has been changed to ensure an error message will display and not permit a withdrawal in this circumstance.