

Authorised Economic Operator Status

What is it?

Authorised Economic Operator (AEO) status plays a vital role in the security amendment of the Customs Code which came into force on 1 July 2009. It aims to ensure an equivalent level of protection through customs controls for all goods going through EU customs territory and stipulates that relevant security data must be provided electronically by economic operators **before** the goods enter or leave the Community customs territory.

Charles Kendall Freight was awarded the coveted accreditation in February 2010 and hold the highest level. Furthermore, our Security and Safety standards have been audited and approved across our 6 UK sites.

As one of the relatively few companies in the UK to hold this standard, we have a lower risk score within HMRC systems and in turn our clients receive a "Fastrack" service through Customs controls.

Additionally, Charles Kendall Packing based alongside Freight headquarters in Feltham was more recently awarded AEO status in August 2014.

How does it benefit our customers?

We can now provide you with EU-approved customs compliance expertise and services to guide you safely through all the changes which affect your import and export business including;

- Legal, quality and efficiency savings
- A fast track service through HMRC Customs controls in the UK
- Proven high security and safety standards across all our UK sites
- A secure partnership to HMRC within the supply chain

Charles Kendall enables customers to take advantage of the legal, quality and efficiency savings that our experience and AEO status can provide.



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