

Get Ready for CDS – Things you need to do. Part two

In 'part one' we detailed some of the things you as a trader (importer / exporter) will need to do to prepare. In this advisory, we'd like to speak about information we will need from you to be able to prepare and submit an entry using CDS.

Exporter / Seller

The 'Consignor' in CHIEF has been replaced with separate fields for the Exporter and Seller in CDS. We need to know if they are different entities. The Seller is only required if different to the Exporter.

Definitions:

- Exporter - (i) a person in another customs territory who, has the power to determine / has determined the goods are to be exported or; (ii) any person in another customs territory who is a party to the contract under which goods are to be exported"
- Seller - The last known entity who sold the goods or agreed to the sale to the buyer

So, if the exporter is a different business entity from the seller, we need to know the details of both.

Importer / Buyer

The 'Consignee' in CHIEF has been replaced with separate fields for the Importer and Buyer in CDS. We need to know if they are different entities. The Buyer is only required if different to the Importer.

Definitions:

- Importer – The party who makes, or on whose behalf an import declaration is made.
- Buyer – The last known entity to whom the goods are sold or agreed to be sold. If the goods are to be imported otherwise than in pursuance of a purchase, the details of the owner of the goods should be provided.

So, if the Importer is a different business entity from the buyer, we need to know the details of both.

Nature of transaction

The nature of transaction will help define the procedure code in CDS. These procedure codes may differ from CHIEF codes and will influence any revenue payable etc.

Delivery terms (Incoterms and associated location/ place)

CDS requires the Incoterms to be declared, so it's very important your documents include details of the Incoterms and associated location / place e.g., DAP Lincoln, or FOB Singapore

Additions and Deductions for value build up.

It is very important that details of any / all freight costs, other related charges that go toward the transport of the goods and any deductions (allowable discounts or royalties etc.) are disclosed. This will be directly linked to the Incoterms that are declared. It will be particularly important that this is provided on DDP consignments.

Customs Comprehensive Guarantee (CCG) number

If you use a CCG, it will be important that the CDS CCG number is provided (this will be different to the existing CHIEF CCG number (i.e., CCGnnnn))

And, where applicable we will need to know details like;

Authorisation details for any special regime approval (such as IP, OP etc.)

Supervising Office details for the above

Commodity Codes – and any specific AI or Document Code Data Elements

VAT rate and Duty rate(s) you are expecting to incur.

Procedure Codes and Additional Procedure Codes or sufficient detail about the reason for shipping *and* intended usage of the goods to enable us to establish this for you.

Preferential Origin Information

If you have any questions about CDS or about using Charles Kendall Freight to support your CDS entries, please speak to your local contact or salesperson or contact our Compliance team at: compliance@charleskendall.com