



Australian Customs Cargo Advice

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Cargo Reporting Timeliness

This Australian Customs Cargo Advice (ACCA) provides further information regarding the time used by the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service to determine cargo reporting timeliness.

This ACCA should be read in conjunction with:
ACN 2007/03 - Customs' Approach to Managing Cargo Reporting Compliance.

Customs and Border Protection use the estimated arrival date and time for the ship or aircraft, at the first port or airport in Australia, as stated in the original Impending Arrival Report, for the initial assessment to determine if the cargo report has been submitted within legislated timeframes. Using this date and time helps to assess large amounts of data, identify statistical trends and potential late reporting.

In circumstances where Customs and Border Protection is considering further compliance action, the later of the following reference times will be used:

- the original estimated date and time of arrival;
- the actual date and time of arrival.

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