



External Release Notes – Release 9.4.07

Purpose

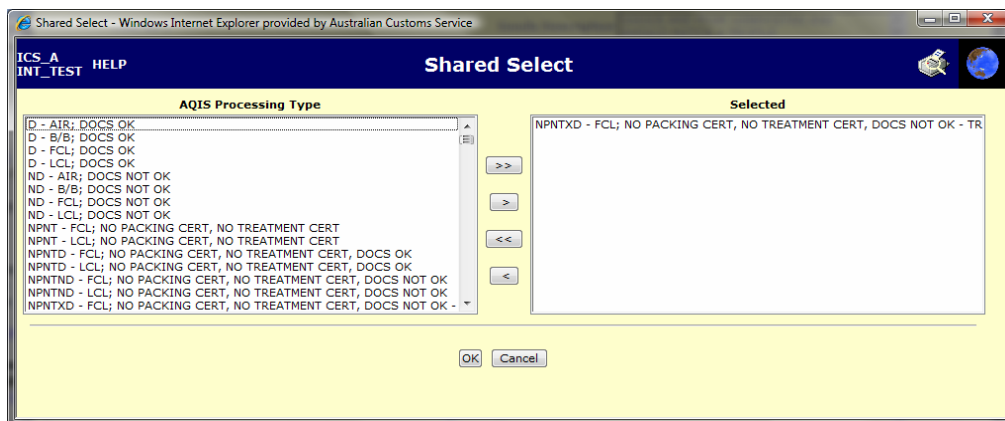
This release (release 9.4.07) is scheduled for implementation on 9 September 2009 and contains a number of changes to the ICS. These notes are designed to provide plain English descriptions of the change. This will provide clients with a better understanding of what has been fixed and how it might relate to their business.

Import Declaration Changes

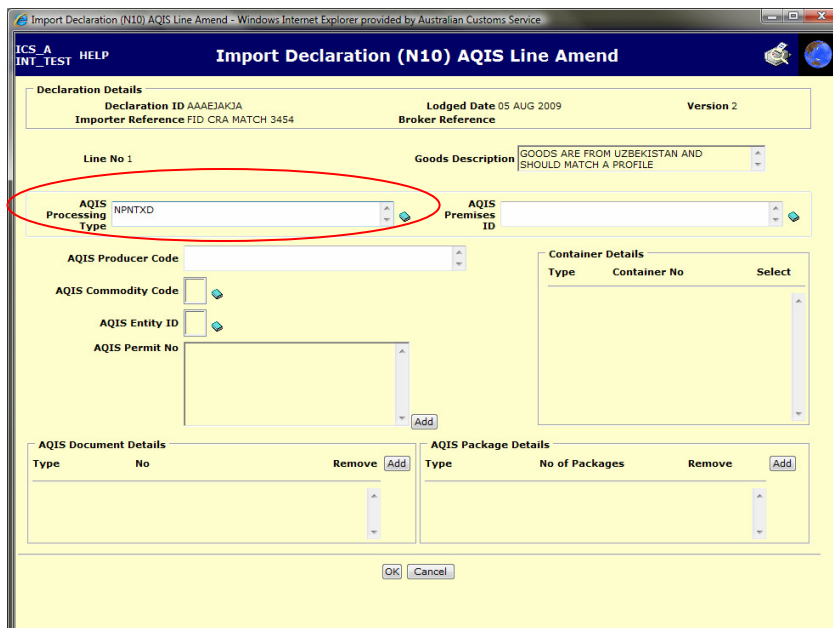
C61658 - Allow direct input of the abbreviated AQIS processing type

This change provides users flexibility by allowing direct input of an AQIS processing type on an Import Declaration instead of selecting a code from the list option.

Previously, users selected a processing type from the list provided when selecting the book icon.



This change allows users to directly input a valid processing type or select from the list offered when selecting the book icon.



C76378 – New facility to allow Customs and Border Protection Officers to change mode of payment of an import declaration from EFT to non-EFT.

This change allows a Customs and Border Protection Officer working in a cashier area to change the mode of payment of an EFT nominated import declaration to non-EFT. The Declaration must have a status of 'CLEAR' (ready for payment) and a financial transaction status of 'Awaiting Approval'. This action will allow the financial transaction liability to be processed (receipted) as a non-EFT payment.

The purpose for this change is to assist when clients wish to pay an EFT nominated import declaration via non-EFT means. For example, a client wishes to pay by credit card, cash or cheque. This change allows a Customs and Border Protection Officer to amend the mode of payment of an Import Declaration to non-EFT and facilitate payment.

Note: Regardless of the EFT indicator being changed to non-EFT, the client will still have the ability to use the ICS EFT functionality to pay the liability.

C90171 – Luxury Car Tax threshold for Fuel Efficient Vehicles

This change allows Luxury Car Tax to be calculated for Fuel Efficient Vehicles.

There will now be two Luxury Car Tax (LCT) calculations within the ICS, one being the LCT threshold, currently \$57,180 (AUD), and the other being the Fuel Efficient Vehicle (FEV) limit which is set at \$75,000 (AUD).

The current formula used to calculate LCT will not change. The inclusion of the FEV limit means the current LCT formula can also be applied to Fuel Efficient Vehicles using the new limit value of \$75,000.

If LCT is to be paid for a Fuel Efficient Vehicle then the following data is required to be input into the ICS:

- The LCT value of the Import Declaration line must be greater than \$75,000. (LCT Value = VOTI + GST); (VOTI = Value of the Taxable Importation)
- A new code 'FEV' must be input in the LCT exemption code field (this will ensure the FEV limit of \$75,000 to be used to calculate LCT);
- The LCT payment indicator must be 'Yes'; and
- The unit of quantity nominated on the line must be 1.

If a Fuel Efficient Vehicle is to be exempted from LCT then the following data is required:

- A legitimate LCT exemption code must be input; and
- The LCT payment indicator must be 'No'.

NOTE: If a client imports a fuel efficient vehicle and the LCT value is between \$57,180 and \$75,000, then the client is eligible to use FEV as a legitimate LCT exemption code. LCT is payable for a vehicle of this type when the LCT value of the vehicle is over the FEV limit of \$75,000.

If a client wishes to quote LCT for a Fuel Efficient Vehicle then the LCT quote indicator for the Import Declaration line is to be nominated as 'Yes'. The information required for quoting LCT has not changed.

If the client wishes to pay LCT for a vehicle with an LCT value greater than \$75,000, and it is not a Fuel Efficient Vehicle, then the standard LCT threshold of \$57,180 applies.

Further information on this subject will be available when Australian Customs Notice 2009/35 is published.

The following screenshot shows the information required when LCT is to be paid on a Fuel Efficient Vehicle

C65936 – Import Declaration event history screen – Additional events to be displayed

See below for the additional events that can now be viewed by External users on the Import Declaration event history screen.

- Imported Food Evaluation Hold Assessment Placed
- Imported Food Evaluation Hold Assessment Lifted
- Imported Food Conditional Release Assessment Placed
- Imported Food Conditional Release Assessment Lifted

The Import Declaration event history screen can only be viewed by the document owner. The additional events will assist the document owner to comply with any IFIP conditions placed on the goods being imported.