



Australian Customs Cargo Advice

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INTEGRATED CARGO SYSTEM INFORMATION SESSIONS

Customs is implementing some significant changes to the Integrated Cargo System (ICS) in relation to declarations and broker functionality. At the request of the Customs Brokers and Forwarders Council of Australia Inc (CBFCA) in ensuring that brokerage staff are aware of these developments, Customs is delivering information sessions, targeted at brokerage staff, to explain these developments and highlight benefits.

Training is to be conducted over a two week period. It is anticipated sessions will be around 2 ½ hours with sessions being conducted as follows:

21 – 22 October	Brisbane	(The Pavillion Conference & Function Centre)
21 – 23 October	Melbourne	(Ciloms, Tullamarine)
28 – 30 October	Sydney	(St George Rowing Club)
27 – 28 October	Adelaide	(Port Club)
29 – 30 October	Perth	(Trade Winds Hotel, Fremantle)

Further session may become available depending on demand. Interested parties can book a session on-line via the following hyperlink: <http://www.cargosupport.gov.au/site/page.cfm?u=6003>

Session Content

- Certainty of Status - Change of ICS behaviour when risk assessing containerised sea Import Declarations. For brokers and importers this change will increase certainty of status. For more information refer to Australian Customs Cargo Advice 08/11. (<http://www.cargosupport.gov.au/webdata/resources/notices/ACCA0811.pdf>)
- Declaration Status Advice (DSA) - How the new DSA message works and the benefits of its use. Recap of detailed status conditions.
- Requesting Status from CI&SC – Identifies the most efficient way to request/query the status of a consignment.
- History of Events - New functionality for ICS users being implemented on 8 October 2008.
- ICS Enhancements - Outline some of the usability enhancements that are being introduced on 8 October 2008. These Release Notes can be found at http://www.cargosupport.gov.au/webdata/resources/files/Release_8_4_11_external.pdf
- Free storage arrangements for containers selected for X-ray examination – Clarification will be provided on the existing arrangements for additional free storage.

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