EU Customs ICS2-ENS

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Security Around the World

2002: USA AMS
2005: Canadian ACI
2006: Mexico AMS
2009: USA 10+2 / ISF
2009: USA AES
2011: EU ENS (ICS – MBL)
2014: Japan AFR
2016: Canada e-Manifest
2018: South Africa SARS
2023: EU ENS (ICS Release 2)
2024: EU ENS (ICS Release 3)
2025: EU ENS (Road & Rail)
2025: UK ENS

What are ICS2 and ENS?

ICS2 is the EU Customs Advance Cargo Information System

ICS - Import Control System
- ICS1 – for Ocean MBL ENS Filing (2011)
- ICS2 - updated version requiring Ocean HBL, Road and Rail ENS Filings
  - HBL Filer (NVO or OFF)
  - Consignee, Consignor/Shipper EORI declaration

ICS2 Key Release Dates
- Jun 3, 2024 – Dec 4, 2024 – Ocean Carrier
- Dec 4, 2024 – **Apr 1, 2025 – HBL (House level filers)**
- Apr 1, 2025 – Sep 1, 2025 – Road and Rail

ENS stands for **Entry Summary Declaration / ENS** is the name of the filing

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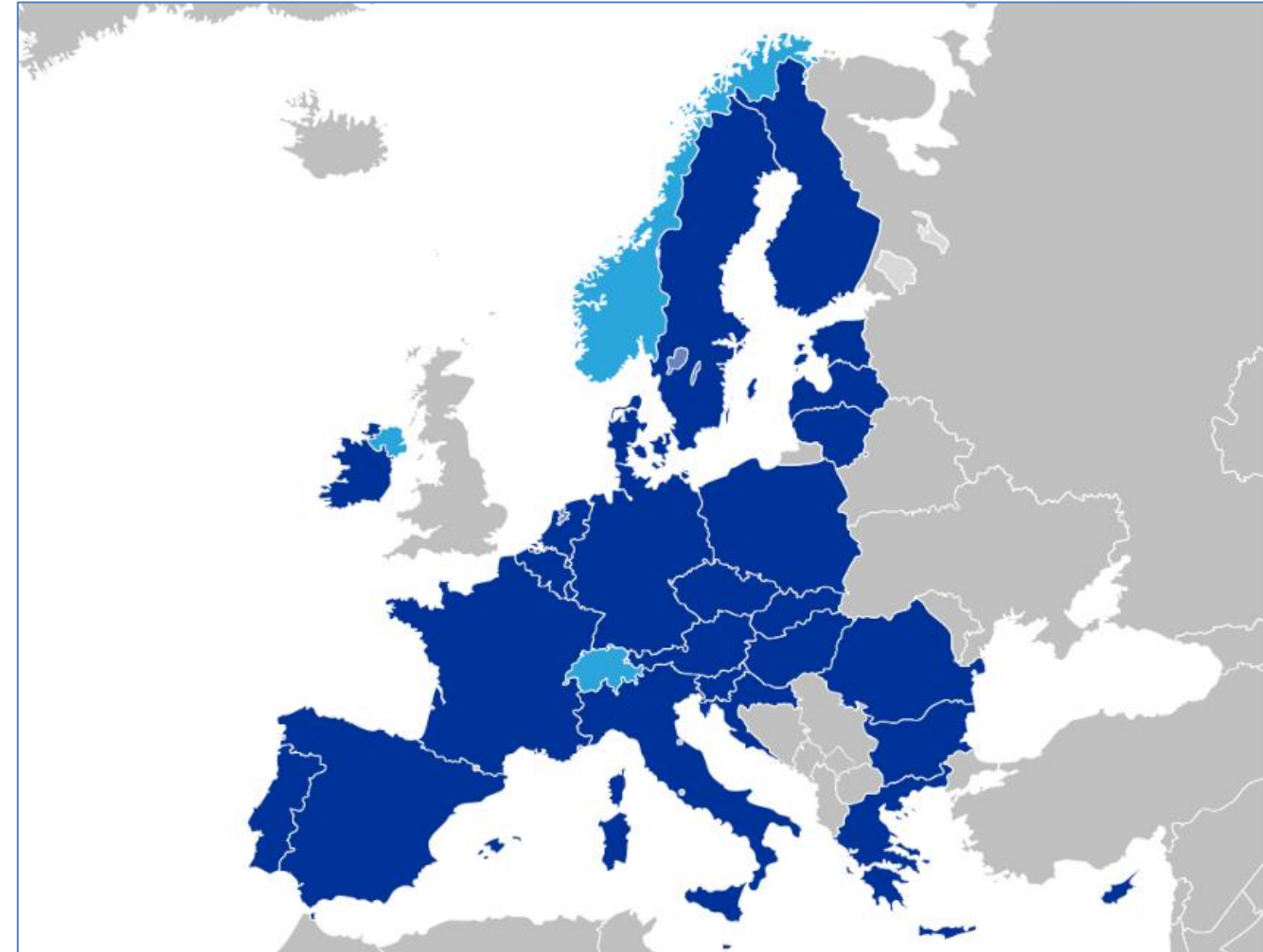
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ENS Participants

27 EU Member States

- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Republic of Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy

- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden

+ Switzerland, Norway & Northern Ireland

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Who needs to file ENS?

All cargoes moving to or via Europe territory

- Import movements
- In-transit and transshipment cargoes
- FROB shipments
- Ocean (FCL, LCL, BBK)

Responsible parties

- Carriers - Master B/L data
- Freight Forwarders / NVOCCs - House B/L data

ICS2 – EU Exit & Routing Stops in EU

Export shipments out of Europe where the vessel, in its port rotation, stops in a third country (ex.UK), then calls an EU port again, prior to final POD, require ENS filings.
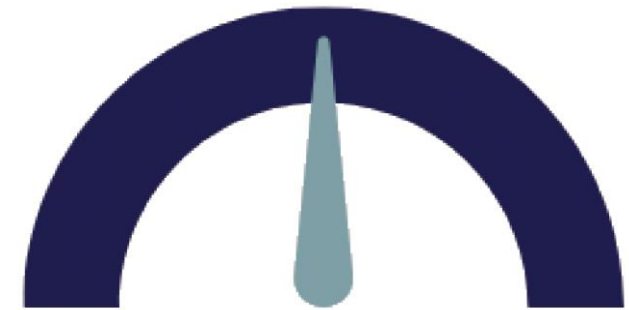
Ex: Shipment from Hamburg to Hong Kong: Vessel sails Hamburg to Felixstowe (UK), then Le Havre (FR) and then to Hong Kong.

State of the Market

- Don't confuse informed compliance period with go live

- Don't give your ENS filing to the ocean carrier or co-loader

- Carriers are currently issuing "Do Not Load" orders for non-compliance NO MRN = NO LOAD

- Some coloaders & ocean carriers are charging up to $120 to manage HBL ENS filing

- Keep your confidential information (Real Seller/Buyer and Real Shipper/Consignee)

45% are still not prepared despite the the April 1 deadline!

Prepare your company now for ICS2-ENS compliance at the HBL level.

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When to File ENS for Ocean Shipments

FCL/LCL
- 24 hours prior to commencement of loading cargo aboard the EU bound vessel

Break Bulk
- 4 hours before arrival at first EU port of call

SHORT-SEA

(or cargo coming from Greenland, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Ports of the Baltic Sea, the North Sea, the Black Sea and the Mediterranean Sea, UK, or Morocco)
- 2 hours before arrival at first EU port of call

EU ENS for Road and Rail

EU ENS for Road and Rail begins April 1, 2025 – at the "carrier" level

All shipments entering the EU by Road or Rail require an ENS Filing

The carrier will declare complete "Master" and "House" information (CMR or CIM Waybill information) in its filing

- This includes ultimate Seller and Buyer information
- House level filers will be required to share ultimate Seller, Buyer and cargo details

"Go-live" at the HBL level (CMR or CIM Waybill level) – projected for Q2 2026

UAE – MPCI

July 2025

Its not the last one; It's the next one!

UAE – Maritime Pre-Load Cargo Information Program
- 24-hour rule
- only UAE companies can register and file the NAIC
- same requirements as most security filings initiatives
- FF must submit HBL info (inc. shipper, consignee, container & cargo details)
- need to work with local agents to be setup as sub agent

Multi-Filing / Shipment

Trade Tech provides users the capability to enter shipment data once and execute multiple filings simultaneously.

- Vessel 1 – Santos to NYC
- Vessel 2 – NYC to Hamburg

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