

CLdN Implementation Update

Import Control System 2 (ICS2) & PN/TS – Belgium

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Following our previous communication regarding the upcoming changes due to ICS2, MASP Belgium, and S&S GB, we would like to provide an update on how these regulations will impact your booking protocols. Based on our current understanding of the requirements, which may still see some variation going forward, we have thoroughly prepared our systems and processes to ensure compliance.

Below is a summary of the key impacts for each of the regulatory frameworks and the adjustments to be made in your booking process.

User manuals and preparations

For **CWEB Bookings**: please refer to the **UK Bookings and Customs Requirements** manual (version **October 2024**) on www.cweb.lu

For **EDI Bookings**: please refer to the **CWEB EDI manual** (version 17.6) on www.cweb.lu

For technical users: Please ensure the UK Booking and Customs requirements manual is read in conjunction with the EDI manual as this contains important process and legal context.

We expect the UAT environments for C.WEB UI and C.WEB EDI to be available for testing in Week 44.

One-time update required to your Client Profile

As part of the changes resulting from ICS2 and PNTS, we are required to make important changes to your client records. Currently, we store your "Address" as a single field in our systems. Going forward, this will be split into: "Street" and "Number". Additionally, as your company acts as a Shipper, we now require the inclusion of your EORI Number (either EU or GB) if you are established either in the EU or GB.

We kindly request that you complete and return this form as soon as possible for each customer account code (CLdN KLMEMO) you have on record with us by scanning this QR code, or by visiting www.cweb.lu and click on the "ICS2 - One time client profile update" link.

Please be advised that if this is not updated before the Go Live weekend, we will be unable to process any shipments on your behalf from that point onward.



Import Control System 2 – Bookings from GB to EU

ICS2 is the new EU information system that (like ICS currently) processes the lodging of Entry Summary Declarations (ENS), security and safety risk analysis, and the control of goods with EU Customs authorities. ICS2 release 3 will be available as from **03 June 2024** and must be fully implemented by **04 December 2024** for Maritime Carriers.

CLdN has made preparations for these expected changes will continue to submit **ICS declarations on your behalf based on the information provided in your booking for all movements.**

When will this take effect?

We currently plan to introduce these changes in the weekend of **30/11/2024**.

Please be advised that you can already send the vast majority of newly required information today and we strongly encourage you to start doing this. For the limited number of new/changing fields ("type of party" and "address" being replaced by "street" and "number") an update to C.WEB will be made available well before the go-live weekend which will allow you to start providing the information.

As of the go-live weekend, any booking that does not have the necessary data elements will be blocked for shipment until complete information has been delivered.

What will change?

As CLdN already has a bespoke system in operation for the collection of necessary data for ICS declarations, only minimal changes to the fields in the bookings will be required:

- **Commodity codes** will become **mandatory** for all goods item lines and must be at least 6 digits long. These will be validated against the codes as published under “TARIC and Quota data and information” when making your booking.
- All **address fields** will become **mandatory** where they are now **optional** if an EORI number is provided
- Where Shipper, Consignee, Buyer or Seller are EU legal entities, the EU EORI number should be provided, however technically this field is optional
- ‘**Address**’ field will be split into separate fields ‘**Street**’ and ‘**Number**’
- ‘**Type of Person**’ will be added as a mandatory field, you will need to choose between: Natural person, Legal person, Association of persons

What will change to the definitions of the fields?

ICS2 will not only demand more comprehensive data elements in the Entry Summary Declarations but the definitions and validations will be more stringent. Below is a selection of the definition of data elements where these are different or more comprehensive compared to the situation today. Please take into account that the information herein is for information purposes only and no warranty as to the correctness or the interpretation thereof of the relevant authorities. This manual does not amount to advice and you are invited to seek your own professional advice:

- **Cargo Descriptions and Goods Item Descriptions**
These will need to be **complete and accurate**. Vague, unspecific descriptions are not allowed. Please consult the ‘**Unacceptable goods descriptions guidance**’ available at [Import Control System 2 - Release 1 \(europa.eu\)](https://europa.eu)
- **Shipper Data** – on freight booking level – Party consigning goods as stipulated in the transport contract by the party ordering the transport. These are the details we hold in your account.
- **Consignee Data** – on freight booking level – Party to whom the goods are consigned. This could be the **Buyer** but also any other Party receiving the goods following shipment.
- **Seller Data** – on Consignment level – The seller is the last known entity by whom the goods are sold or agreed to be sold to the buyer. If the goods are to be imported otherwise than in pursuance of a purchase, the details of the owner of the goods shall be provided. In C.WEB this currently has a field name ‘Consignor’, this will be updated to Seller.

- **Buyer Data** - on Consignment level – The buyer is 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 shall be provided. In C.WEB this currently has a field name 'Consignee', this will be updated to 'Buyer'.

The EU customs authorities may reject ENS declarations in the case of lack of complete data. This will create delays in processing of the ENS upon the arrival of the consignments and in the entry process. It is therefore of paramount importance that you prepare to submit the necessary data elements in a complete and accurate way.

What will change to my Empty bookings compared to today?

Bookings of **Empty** units will, as today, also require ICS2 declarations. For these types of bookings we will provide you the option to use your account details we hold on file, as such you will not be required to provide these separately. Alternatively, if you choose to provide party information for empty units (when you are not moving your own Empty units), then the above rules and data requirements will apply.

What will change to my bookings containing durable returnable packaging compared to today?

The provision of the ICS data is mandatory today, as such the same changes will apply as for Laden units containing goods.

Introduction of PN/TS Belgium – Bookings from GB to EU

As the EU continuously evolves towards full electronic customs systems under the MASP-C initiative, Belgium is now transitioning from PLDA to a new system known as PN/TS which is designed to be more advanced and aligned with the EU's long-term vision for customs modernisation.

This system consists of 2 parts, being:

- **TSD** (Temporary Storage Declaration) which is required to temporarily store non-Union goods under customs supervision before being placed under a customs procedure which is a requirement for the Shipping Line.
- **PN** (Presentation Notification) is an application supporting the process of presentation to customs of goods brought into the customs territory of the Union, which is a requirement for the Port of Arrival.

This thoroughly impacts the process for transporting your units into Belgium and to allow us to support this we have made substantial changes to our systems which fortunately have a limited additional impact over ICS2 on the exchange of information between ourselves.

When will this take effect?

We currently plan to introduce these changes in the weekend of **30/11/2024** however this is subject to further alignment with the Belgian authorities as there are several outstanding topics. It is however expected that the vast majority, if not all, of the changes to the booking protocol will be the same to those already being introduced by ICS2.

As such please be advised that you can already send the vast majority of newly required information today and we strongly encourage you to start doing this. For the limited number of new/changing fields (“type of party” and “address” being replaced by “street” and “number”) an update to C.WEB will be made available well before the go-live weekend which will allow you to start providing the information.

As of the go-live weekend, any booking that does not have the necessary data elements will be blocked for shipment until complete information has been delivered.

What will change to my booking?

Please refer to the changes resulting from ICS2 above.

What will change to the Customs Cargo Details that allows me to clear the cargo upon arrival in Belgium?

The **Customs Cargo Details** report, which you receive upon departure of the vessel in the UK, will be updated to include the CRN number of the pre-lodged TSD (Temporary Storage Declaration). This will be required by yourselves, your broker or the importer to perform the clearance of the goods going forward.

For EDI feedback, the field Consignment Info will be adjusted to include this new reference number.

As always, it is your responsibility as Customer to ensure an accurate, sufficient and complete clearance for a booking is made at all times before collecting the cargo.

We reiterate it is at your risk and responsibility, and of paramount importance, that you provide **complete and accurate** information in your bookings to ensure declarations can be processed in a timely manner and in line with legal requirements to ensure your cargo can be shipped in an efficient way.

When more detailed information becomes available, this will be published on www.cweb.lu or if you have any additional questions, please contact customs@cldn.com