

# Thailand Updates

- Jan 3, 2008, there was crane accident in Bangkok (Klongtoey) Port, Thailand. Now, it's resumed to the current situation.

- February 1, 2008, The Customs Department in Thailand announced that seven additional customs offices will start e-import and e-export (Paperless).

- General Duty Drawback under section 19 bis by paperless customs will be ready on February 1, 2008.

Are your customers ready for paperless customs? IMPORTANT !!!

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FEB 21 : Makrabucha holiday

Crane Accident at Bangkok Port terminal



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### E-customs process in Thailand

Whenever your client asking you to arrange Ex-work handling from Thailand, one of important issues you can think of is about Thai new customs process, what's called, either "Paperless Customs" or "E-customs". The biggest difference from the old method, or EDI process, is that shipper in Thailand has to complete the co-registration with customs broker who arranges customs formality in Thailand.

However, please note that the new process is now applicable only for Exportation from Thailand, which means Importation process is still the same. It is true of both Ocean & Air.

For you to be on top of this issue in discussion with clients, below is what your clients (consignees) should know.

1. If the freight is really time sensitive, consignee may want to allow shipper to use their own customs broker, for saving time to newly register with customs broker nominated by consignee.
2. Shipper needs preparing several documents to ask the customs broker, which consignee nominates to use, to complete the co-registration prior to proceeding the shipment.
3. Some logistics agents charge handling fee for this co-registration.
4. After submitting the application for co-registration, it will take at least 1 day for Customs to make it active.

This year, such process can be likely to start for import shipment. If you have any inquiry about this article, please feel free to contact us.

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