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What is ACE (AMS)?

The Automated Commercial Environment (ACE), formerly known as AMS (Automated Manifest System), was introduced by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). This initiative is to better manage risks by identifying safety and security threats at the border and also to speed the flow of cargo and entry processing and provides participants with electronic authorization to move cargo prior to arrival.

What is ACI?

The Advance Commercial Information (ACI) program was introduced by the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) as part of the Customs Action Plan to better manage risks by identifying safety and security threats at the border. ACI requires key data to be transmitted electronically before goods and conveyances arrive in the Canada. This application allows electronic submission of the vessel conveyance (A6), cargo manifest (A6A) and freight forwarder supplementary (S10) document types directly to CBSA.

▶ Getting Started with ACE

To get set up with ACE, the following steps are required:

1. Apply for International Carrier (C3) bond with US CBP
2. Apply for Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) bond or Ocean Transportation Intermediary (OTI) bond
3. Complete the CBP ACE Respondent Checklist and subscribe to Seatech's services

▶ Getting Started with ACI

For a Carrier (MVOCC) or a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC) to get set up with ACI, it is a very simple and straight forward process:

1. Apply for a Canadian carrier code for ACI reporting purposes
2. Complete the CBSA application and subscribe to Seatech's services

Seatech Services

- Web Based Application/Portal allows access from anywhere in the world

- Documentation Program for MVOCC and NVOCC to produce House Bill of Lading for its clients

- Transmitting data directly to US-ACE, CA-ACI, EU and AU-ICS

- Receiving response directly from Customs

- Web Training

- 24/7 customer support

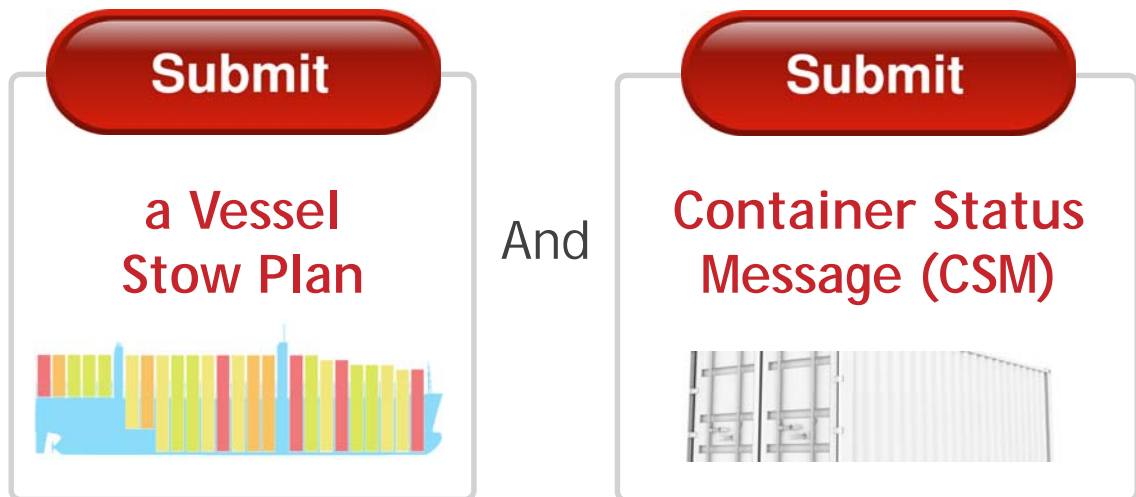- Advanced integration options with MVOCC and NVOCC in-house systems

ACE/ACI Transmission Timeframes

Master and House Bill of Lading for:	
• Containerized cargo	24-hours prior to loading
• Non-authorized break-bulk cargo	24-hours prior to loading
• Authorized break-bulk and bulk cargo	24-hours prior to arrival
• Empty containers	96-hours prior to arrival
• Vessels Stow Plan	48-hours after departure

▶ What is

ISF 10+2, 5?

IFS-10 filing with US ACE is required for importers/consignees to transmit 10 data elements 24-hours prior to loading:

Submit

a Vessel Stow Plan

And

Submit

Container Status Message (CSM)

ISF-5 filing with US ACE is required for Carrier to transmit 5 data elements of FROB Bill of Lading 24-hours prior to loading

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