

Advanced Cargo Information Decree N. 38/2021

Article (1): The importer, the owner of the goods, or his agent of customs brokers shall be bound by the following:

1. Submit the data package and digital documents of the goods to the customs authority through the (Nafeza) platform <https://www.nafeza.gov.eg> before shipping to the country, so that the authority can mark it with an Advanced Cargo Information Declaration (ACID).
2. Notify the shipper with the ACID number referred to in the previous clause **to register it with all cargo shipment documents.**
3. Using the electronic signature in the inclusion of data and the electronic submission of documents, including the invoice, when entering the customs data of the Advanced Cargo Information system through (Nafeza) platform.

Article (2): The carrier, captains of ships, pilots and heads of other means of transport, or their shipping agents or their representatives, shall be bound by the following:

1. Providing information, documents and shipping lists of goods shipped to ports inside the country electronically to the Customs Authority through (Nafeza) platform.
2. Include the Advanced Cargo Information Declaration number ACID referred to in the first article of this decree in the shipping documents of the goods coming into the country, as well as the identification numbers of the parties to the bill of lading.

Article (3): The controls and procedures that must be adhered to for the Advanced Cargo Information system of shipments are defined as follows:

1. The Advanced Cargo Information system relies on the availability of shipment data prior to shipment from the export country, and this requires the importer, the owner of the goods, or his agent of customs brokers to create an account on the electronic portal of (Nafeza) platform, and it is required that he has the right to an electronic signature.

2. The importer or the owner of the goods, or his agent of customs brokers, registers the data of the foreign exporter in the country of export through (Nafeza) platform, provided that the data include (the country in which the exporter is registered- the exporter's registration form- the exporter's trade name- the exporter type "producer, branch of a company, other"- the detailed address- exporter email- and other data of the exporter.
3. The importer or the owner of the goods, or his agent of customs brokers, shall insert the basic primary data of the shipment to be imported, provided that this data include (the foreign exporter's registration number- the export country code- the export port code- the commodity data- the integrated customs tariff of 10 digits- the invoice data- and other shipment information.
4. After the importer, the owner of the goods, or his agent of customs brokers finishes implementing the procedures stipulated in the two previous clauses, the system assesses the initial risks of the elements of the shipment, and then fulfills the import and control restrictions required in accordance with the appendices of the integrated customs tariff to verify the validity of importing the item. Customs responds either by accepting and issuing the Advanced Cargo Information Declaration number ACID, or by refusing with an explanation of the reason for the rejection, then the shipment data will be made available upon issuance of this number to all the competent supervisory authorities (according to the clause and the item) to implement its affairs.
5. The Advanced Cargo Information Declaration number of the shipment is sent to both the importer, or the owner of the goods or his agent of customs brokers –as the case may be-, and the foreign exporter by email.
6. For customs registration of incoming shipments into the country with the Advanced Cargo Information system ACI, the importer or the owner of the goods or his customs broker agent must present the invoice for the goods electronically, including the electronic signature, and this invoice is required to have the importer's tax registration number and the foreign exporter's registration number, and the Advanced Cargo

Information Declaration number of the shipment, the customs tariff item “HS Code”, the standard code for the item(s).

7. It is allowed to amend the shipment data after issuing the Advanced Cargo Information Declaration number ACID, with the exception of the data of the two parties to the commercial transaction (the importer or the owner of the goods-the foreign exporter) before shipment, taking into account the re-evaluation of the entire file data in accordance with the standards of the primary risk systems for the elements of the shipment, and the control and import restrictions listed in the appendices of the integrated customs tariff in effect.

Article (4): The trial implementation of the Advanced Cargo Information system for incoming shipments at sea ports starts from 1/4/2021 (first stage), and the actual binding implementation of this system starts from 1/7/2021.