

CUSTOMS IN DISASTER MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS



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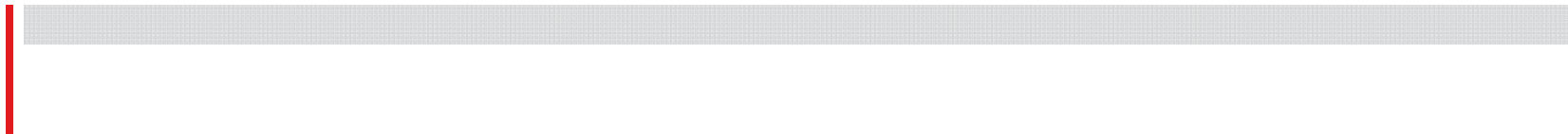
CUSTOMS DECLARATION

„EUTAC-procedure“



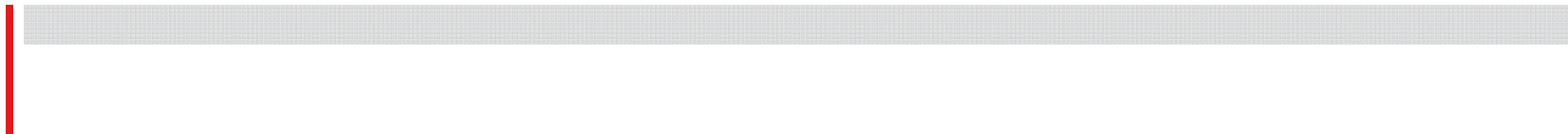
What is the role of Customs today?

- Customs is in a unique position
 - to facilitate trade
 - and protect the interests of the European Union and its citizens.
- Customs authorities implement EU policies in almost every field connected with international trade.
- Customs is also in the front line in the fight against fraud, terrorism and organised crime




Facts on EU customs

- 27 customs administrations of the EU implement one community customs code and council regulations
- The EU is the largest trading space in the world - population of nearly 500 million
 - 183 million customs declarations completed in 2008 - 5.5 every second
 - 450 mio Container/Year
 - 13.7 million tonnes of cargo (sea,land,air) checked



Mission of customs authorities

- Protecting the financial interests of the Community and its Member States
 - Protecting the Community from unfair and illegal trade
 - Ensuring the security and safety of the Community and its residents, and the *protection of the environment*, in close cooperation with other authorities
 - Maintaining a proper balance between customs controls and facilitation of legitimate trade.
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Clearance of Goods

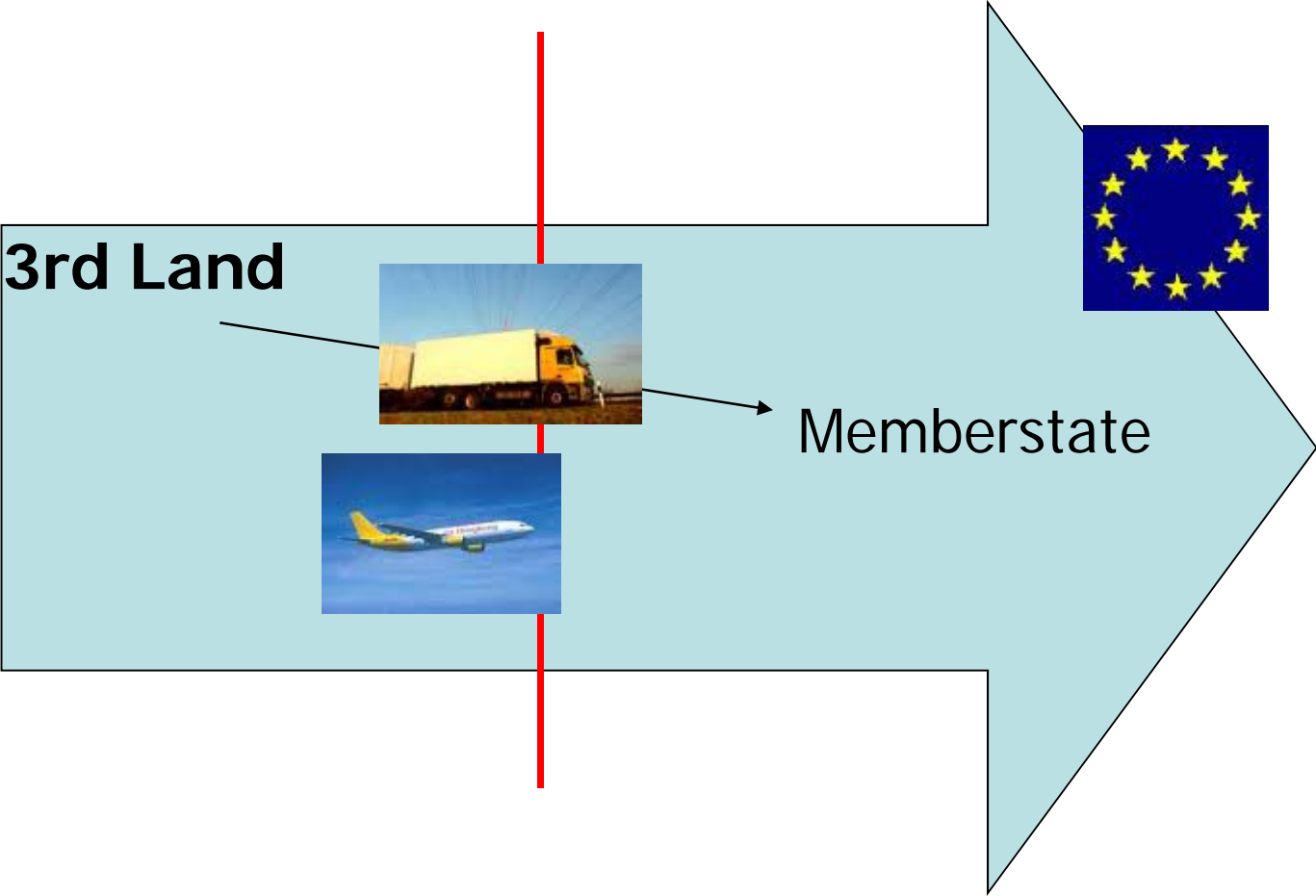
A) **Importation** with relief of Importduties

B) **Exportation**

- actual (I + E)
- temporary (I + E)



Importation



Importation

What is importation?

- The word 'importation' commonly **refers on the bringing of goods into a customs territory**.
 - **Release for free circulation** - This procedure allows **third country goods to circulate freely throughout the Community** in the same way as goods made in the Community
 - The free circulation changes the status of non-Community goods to Community **goods**
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- **Relief from customs duties** *for Goods for charitable or philanthropic organisations*
 - Generally
 - duties for all goods, which are imported into the community
 - **But EC 1186/2009**
 - sets out cases in which relief from import duties are granted when goods are released for free circulation in the customs territory of the Community
 - special circumstances
 - Such relief arrangements are results of multilateral international conventions with Member States
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Relief free from Import Duty

EC 1186/2009

(EC) [1186/2009-short overview](#)

30 chapters

1. *Personal property belonging to natural persons transferring their normal place of residence from a third country to the Community*
 2. *Goods imported on the occasion of a marriage*
 3. *Personal property acquired by inheritance*
 4. *School outfits, educational materials and related household effects*
 5. *Consignments of negligible value*
 6. *Capital goods and other equipment imported on the transfer of activities from a third country into the Community*
 7. *Consignments sent by one private individual to another*
 8. *Products obtained by Community farmers on properties located in a third country*
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IMPORT

Goods for charitable or philanthropic organisations



9. *Seeds, fertilizers and products for the treatment of soil and crops imported by agricultural producers in third countries for use in properties adjoining those countries*
10. *Goods contained in travellers' personal luggage*
11. *Educational, scientific and cultural materials; scientific instruments and apparatus*
12. *Laboratory animals and biological or chemical substances intended for research*

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Chapter 17

- *Goods for charitable or philanthropic organisations: articles intended for the blind and other handicapped persons*
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IMPORT

Goods for charitable or philanthropic organisations

„*Goods for charitable or philanthropic organisations*“:

- Following goods are free of import duties, in so far as this does not give rise to abuses or major distortions of competition:

basic necessities* imported by State organisations or other charitable or philanthropic organisations approved by the competent authorities for distribution free of charge to needy persons

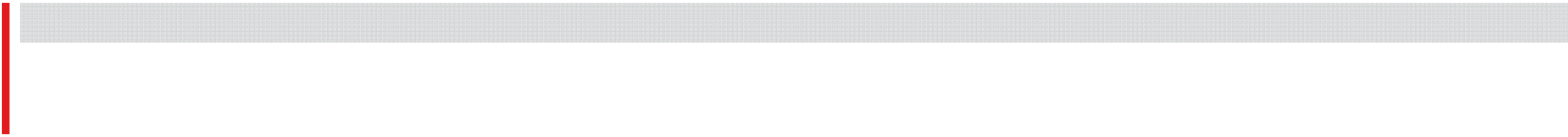
and

equipment and office materials sent free of charge, by a person or an organisation established outside the customs territory of the Community


- without any commercial intention of the sender,
- to be used only for the purpose of meeting their operating needs
- or carrying out their charitable or philanthropic aims



- *‘basic necessities’ means those goods required to meet the immediate needs of human beings, for example
 - food, medicine,
 - clothing, bed-clothes




Temporary Importation

- Generally:** always Import-duties for Non-Community goods
 - Possible:** No duties when „re-exportation“ foreseen
 - Requirements:** determined purpose
no major alteration of goods during use
foreseen re-exportation
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bans and restrictions

Notice - (for participants - passenger traffic)- presents??

- The **import of animals, plants, food products, medication, weapons and many other goods** is subject to specific bans and restrictions (national laws)
 - These restrictions are relevant to entries from **EU and Non-EU countries**.
 - Special attention must be paid to these regulations in order to protect the life and health of human beings, animals and plants and to ensure public security.
 - It is advisable that you make inquiries prior to embarking on your trip regarding the current import regulations at the **Customs Information Office Customs or at your local customs office**.
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bans and restrictions weapons



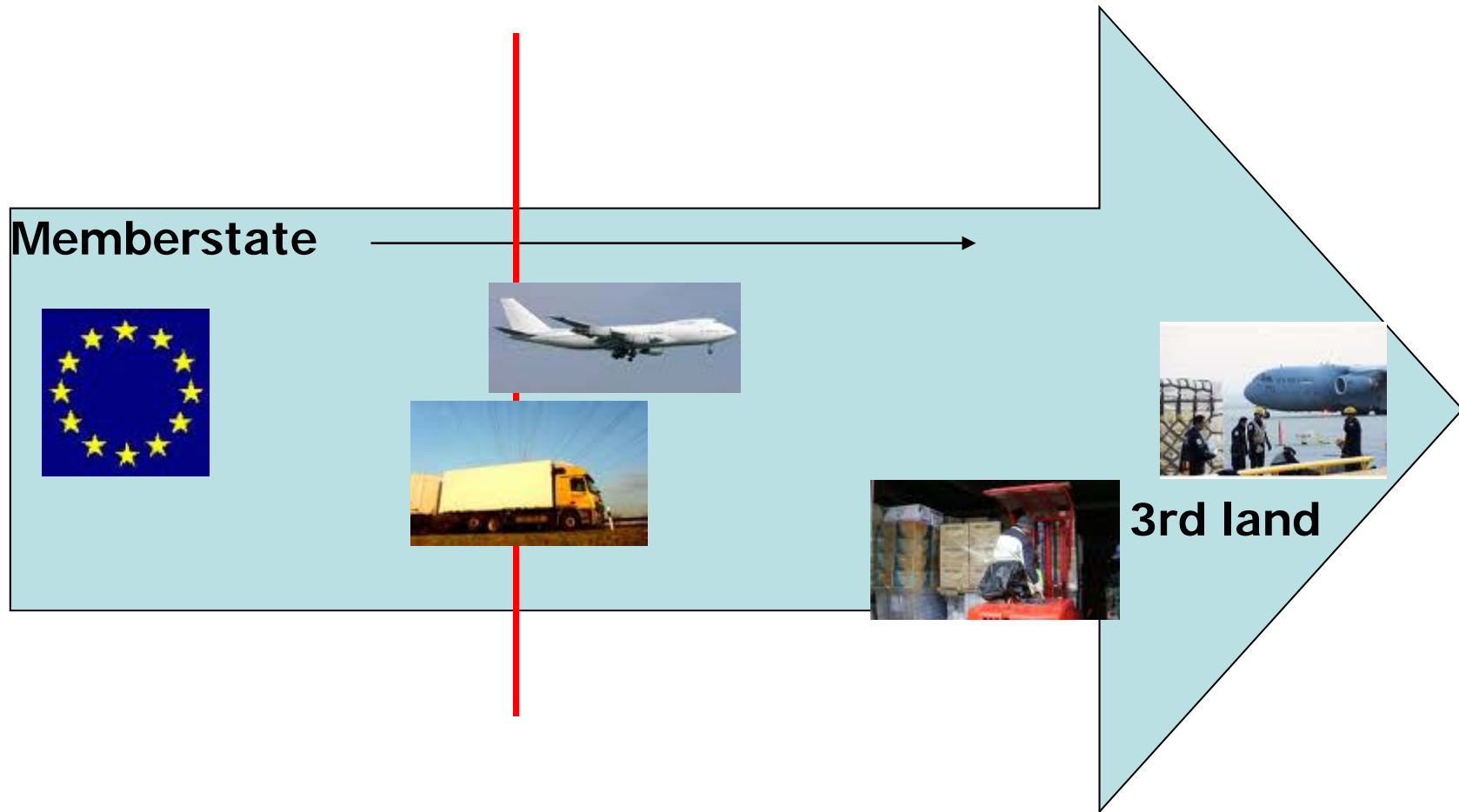
Weapons from an EU country to Austria

- „*European Firearms Pass*“, which must list your weapon, as well as a *permit* for bringing the weapon with you
- Hunters and marksmen, however, only need the „European Firearms Pass“ when carrying with them a *maximum of three weapons* with ammunition.


Weapons from a Non-EU country to Austria

- Travelers, who are **domiciled in Austria** may only import weapons if they can show their weapons pass or a weapon ownership card to the customs official.
 - Travelers who are **domiciled outside Austria** require a permit to hold a weapon. You can get this permit at official Austrian representative offices abroad.
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- A decorative horizontal bar at the bottom of the slide, consisting of a thin red vertical line on the left and a wider grey horizontal bar extending to the right.

Exportation



Export

- What is exportation?
 - The export procedure allows exit of Community goods from the EC customs territory.
 - Customs point of view : exported Community goods change their status to Non-Community goods
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2 kinds of Export-clearances of goods

1. Outright/actual Exportation
2. Temporary Exportation



EXPORT

1. Outright/actual Exportation

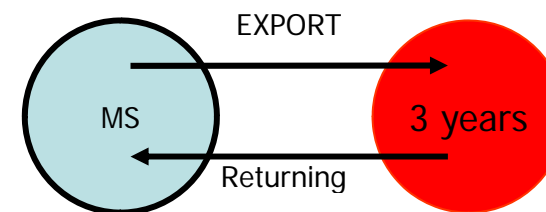
- Via electronical declaration (carrier)



and

- in case of returning goods after export when

- Original status and origin
- Exported goods and returning goods identical
- Customs declaration
- Within 3 years



Temporary EXPORT

2. Temporary Export

- **CARNET ATA**

Is used for the temporary exportation of goods for specific purpose

- for displays,
- exhibitions and fairs
- as professional equipment and
- as commercial samples.

Austria: ATA carnets are issued by the Chambers of Commerce

Valid in contracting states




Temporary Export Carnet ATA

- Carnet ATA possible for

- **Person**
- **Cargo via forwarder**

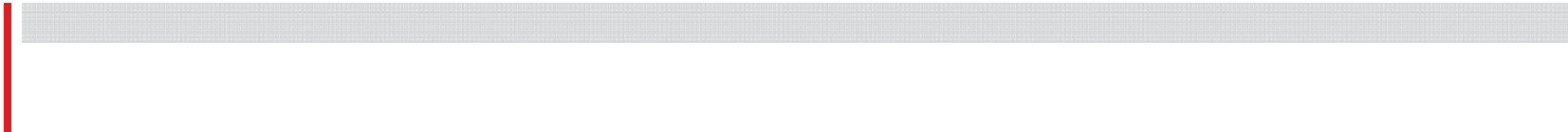


- Essential and important for customs clearance

- Trade description of goods, marks and numbers
 - Number of pieces
 - Weight or volume
 - Value
 - Country of origin
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Customs declaration

- **Customs declaration**



Customs declaration

- What is a customs declaration?


The act whereby a person indicates the wish to place goods under a given customs procedure as provided by the [Community Customs Code \(CCC\)](#)

- Who should lodge a customs declaration?

In general this task is performed **by the owner** of the goods **or** a person acting on his behalf (**a representative**). These persons may be individuals or companies. As a general rule these persons should be established in the Community (forwarding agent, carrier)

- Where should a customs declaration be lodged?

The declaration is to be lodged with the customs office where the goods were or will shortly be presented .




Customs Declaration

How can a customs declaration be made?

1. **electronically**, according to the specifications made for such purposes

 [e-zoll.at](https://www.e-zoll.at)

2. in **writing**

3. **orally or by means of an act** replacing a customs declaration. Travellers are notably entitled to lodge an oral declaration (airport)
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- **Cargo**

- Experienced carrier
- See about clearance
- Kind of goods
- Collect all important specifications and datas
 - Trade description of goods, marks and numbers
 - Number of pieces
 - Weight or volume
 - Value
 - Country of origin
- Tarif Code
- Notice ban and restrictions
- Notice valid restrictions

- **passenger traffic**

- Kind of goods
- Customs clearance
- Notice ban and restrictions

- Notice valid restrictions



Equipment EUTAC DUAL USE



SATPhones, GPS, electronical equipment, aso

! DUAL USE ?

Goods and technologies are considered to be dual-use when they can be used for both civil and military purposes.

The EU export control regime is governed by [Regulation 428/2009](#) .

The list of controlled dual-use items is set out in [Annex I to Regulation 428/2009](#)

- Transfers of dual-use goods between EU countries may traded freely (except for those listed in Annex IV of Regulation 428/2009)

Suppliers wishing to apply for authorisation should contact the [competent national authorities](#) for details

**Competent authority in Austria for export permission
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Thank you for your attention !
