



Please read the below advisory on behalf of OOCL

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The Key points are:

- Manifest submissions must be made 24 hours prior to vessel loading.
- Cargo Description must be complete and accurate.
- Full contact details of the Shipper and Consignee (or the Notify Party if Consignee is as To Order) are mandatory, including the Enterprise Codes.

Specifically for exporters based in North America the required Enterprise Codes are

- Central Index Key (CIK) or Employer Identification Number (EIN) for Shippers registered in the United States
- Corporation Number (CN) or Employer Identification Number (EIN) for Shippers registered in Canada
- Registro Federal de Contribuyentes (RFC) or Central Index Key (CIK) for Shippers registered in Mexico

Additionally Shippers are also expected to provide the Enterprise Code of the Consignee in China (or the Notify Party if Consignee is as To Order), and the required code is the United Social Credit Identifier (USCI) or the Organization Code (OC).

Please also be reminded that Cargo Descriptions need to be specific and not generic, for example "screw drivers" instead of "tools" and "video games" instead of "electronics".

Dear Valued Customer,

Please be advised that the General Administration of Customs China (GACC) has issued Announcement No.56 [2017] (GACC website in Chinese) to adjust the manifest rules of import and export in the country.

The adjusted rules, to be effective on 1st June 2018, will include the following key points for close attention in future documentation work:

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- Cargo Description must be complete and accurate.
- The full contact details of the Shipper and Consignee (or the Notify Party if Consignee is as To Order) are mandatory, including the Enterprise Codes.

Examples of Enterprise Codes:

- China - USCI (Unified Social Credit Identifier), OC (Organization Code)
- UK - Company Number, VAT Number
- USA - CIK (Central Index Key), EIN (Employer Identification Number)

OOCL respectfully requests our customers to provide accurate and complete shipping instructions before the documentation cutoff time as published on our website and in our Booking Acknowledgement form. For electronic submissions through My OOCL Center, additional fields to input the overseas Enterprise Code and the USCI or OC are available in the Shipping Instruction Submission function on our e-commerce platform.

We will keep you posted when further developments regarding implementation of the regulation is available.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our customer service representative.

Thank you for your continual support of OOCL.