



# Information Bulletin

## US Import Regulation – ISF (10+2)

All shipments consigned to the USA require an Importer Security Filing (ISF Filing) to be submitted to US Customs and Border Protection prior to leaving the foreign port of exit. As of 26th January 2009 all importers in the United States are responsible for notifying US Customs and Border Protection of any ocean freight coming in to the USA. Since implementation, fines for non compliance have not been imposed, however, commencing in quarter two 2010 fines and penalties may be imposed on the importer of record for non compliance.

Commercial invoices must be provided at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled vessel sailing to ensure timely submission of the ISF transaction to US Customs.

Additional information about this requirement can be provided to you by your GKN Freight Service's office or by following the US Customs link [http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/cargo\\_security/carriers/security\\_filing/](http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/cargo_security/carriers/security_filing/)

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