



Turkey Customs Advanced Manifest Rule (TR 24h Rule)

Dear valued Customer,

Although at this stage very limited official information is available, Hamburg Süd deems it necessary to inform customers about a new customs regulation in Turkey.

Based on Hamburg Süd current knowledge, Turkish authorities will introduce an Advanced Manifest Rule on **January 1, 2012**. According to current information there will be **no grace period**, i.e. ocean carriers have to be compliant as from day one of the legislation.

Similar to rules already in place on for example U.S., European and China trades, the TR 24h Rule intends to **risk assess** any shipments to or via Turkey (including FROB).

Following the concepts of similar rules mentioned above, Ocean Carriers have to submit complete and accurate cargo information to Turkish Customs Authorities for vessels calling at Turkey ports within following **deadlines**:

- Deep Sea: At the latest 24hrs prior to cargo loading at port of load
- Short Sea: At the latest 2hrs prior to vessel arrival at first Turkey port of call
- According to current information, only ports in the Mediterranean and Black Sea are considered Short Sea trades while ports in North Europe are Deep Sea trades.

In order for Hamburg Süd to comply with these deadlines and to avoid possible cargo holds and penalties, **customers are required to submit complete and accurate shipping instructions (SI) min. 72 hours before start of operations at load port**. Please contact your local Hamburg Süd office for detailed documentation cut-off information per specific load port.

Hamburg Süd understands following **data elements** will be required from TR customs, hence need to be included in customers' SI:

- Shipper (Consignor)
- Consignee (including TR Tax number, if available)
- Notify Party (mandatory for "To Order" B/L)
- Container number(s)
- Seal number(s)
- Number of packages and package type code
- Cargo gross weight
- Harmonized System Code (first 6 digits; aim: avoid language misinterpretations and ensure smooth handling by local customs)
- "Acceptable goods description" (as an indication, please refer to EU Guidelines: http://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/resources/documents/customs/policy_issues/customs_security/acceptable_goods_description_guidelines_en.pdf)
- UN code for dangerous goods

Hamburg Süd will continue to closely follow this matter with involvement of local experts. Please do not hesitate to contact your local Hamburg Süd office in case of any questions.

Kind Regards
Hamburg Süd