

Product Information

Descartes Editrade Customs Link



Helping Brokers and Self-Filing Importers Keep the Flow of Goods Moving

For both customs brokers and self-filing importers keeping pace with the latest import regulations, customs mandates and initiatives is critical to ensuring that there are no interruptions in the flow of goods across international borders. As such, brokers and importers need to have the processes in place to handle an array of complex customs compliance, valuation, HTS (harmonized tariff schedule) classifications and OGA (other government agency) procedures.

Descartes Editrade Customs Link is a hosted, on-demand solution that enables brokers and importers to easily and transparently collect and prepare data for Customs ABI (Automated Brokerage Interface) entries, as well as post-entry compliance. Using this solution, information can be captured in real-time and populated throughout various filing applications to speed processing and improve accuracy.

As a hosted application, Descartes Editrade Customs Link delivers highly sophisticated capabilities at a fraction of the cost of in-house systems. It can also integrate with existing systems, and scale to meet the demands of organizations, from small independent brokers to global enterprises.

Descartes Editrade Customs Link is unique in its ability to support filings with multiple OGAs as well as enable Remote Location Filing (RLF). It also tracks filings online, and offers customized alerts to speed problem detection and resolution.

Using Descartes Editrade Customs Link, brokers and importers can improve efficiencies in the entry process, reduce potential errors through multiple checkpoints, and strengthen their competitive advantage.



Descartes Editrade Customs Link is part of the Descartes Global Logistics Network™ (GLN), which enables the world's leading transportation providers to connect to their trading partners and reliably exchange information to drive delivery performance and high levels of customer satisfaction. The Descartes GLN helps companies better manage their logistics book-to-bill process, track inventory, meet regulatory requirements, optimize fleet performance, and effectively communicate with their logistics partners.

Summary

Potential Benefits

- Improve accuracy with single data capture and flow-through capabilities (no need to re-key information)
- Rapidly retrieve customer and product data during entry preparation
- Easily integrated add-on modules leverage existing user interfaces for increased functionality and ease of use
- Easily scale and adapt to meet business requirements/volumes
- Leverage existing systems to maximize return on investment
- Minimize interruptions in the flow of goods
- Reduce hardware, application, deployment and maintenance costs with a Web-based SaaS (software as a service) model
- Reduce the risk of fines for misclassifications, inappropriate trade agreement use or missteps in filings

Features

- Concise, logical data entry screens
- Initial entry summary information flows through to all related forms (including billing invoice)
- Detailed Product File stores complete entry line item details including SKU, model, HTS and OGA
- Display of duties and fees for total entry summary and individual line items
- Auto handling of GSP expiration periods
- Handling of special entry types including electronic In-bond (QP/WP), FTZ entry (06), warehouse entry and withdrawals, American goods returned and reconciliation
- Standard reporting for entry summaries, duty payments user statistics and audits
- Email transmission of documents and reports
- Visual statement tracking
- Full EDI and XML data integration capabilities
- Integration with third-party accounting applications
- User-friendly entry screens with selections lists for common codes, addresses, products, etc.
- ABI version: automatically transmits claims to U.S. Customs
- Filer module prints: drawback claim, summary of exports report, CF-7551, CF-7552, CF-7553