eManifest History & The Future

A Timeline At-a-Glance

The three-phase deployment of eManifest reflects the evolution of the regulation by mode of transport and by party. The Canadian eManifest for highway and rail carriers is now in effect with potential penalties issued for non-compliance.

eManifest for highway and rail carriers, as well as warehouse operators, is now a ‘go’. Other parties, such as freight forwarders and importers, are looking toward future updates to the regulation.

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**Apr. 19, 2004**
Phase 1 of the ACI program requires marine carriers to electronically transmit marine cargo data to the CBSA prior to loading at a foreign port.

**Nov. 1, 2010**
CBSA enables Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) transmission of eManifest pre-arrival cargo and conveyance data for highway carriers.

**May 13, 2012**
CBSA deploys eManifest EDI connectivity for rail carriers enabling initial access for this final mode of transport.

**May 1, 2013**
Highway eManifest ‘Informed Compliance’ date is pushed back further to Fall 2013.

**Jul. 10, 2015**
eManifest becomes mandatory for highway/rail carriers and zero-rated (non-monetary) penalties issued.

**Jul. 26, 2006**
Phase 2 of the ACI program requires air carriers and freight forwarders, where applicable, to electronically transmit conveyance, cargo and supplementary cargo data to the CBSA.

**2006-2010**
During this period, the program is refined, privacy issues addressed and regulations added such as Bill S-2, enacted June 11, 2009, which granted the CBSA the authority to collect advance data from stakeholders.

**Aug. 29, 2011**
eManifest Portal becomes accessible to highway carriers.

**Nov. 1, 2012**
Highway eManifest Informed Compliance date is pushed back to May 2013.

**Jul. 1, 2014**
eManifest requirement for freight forwarders is delayed due to industry feedback regarding feasibility of data collection and other concerns.

**Jan 11, 2016**
Non-compliant shipments potentially denied entry into Canada and highway/rail carriers may incur monetary penalties.

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Electronic systems (EDI and eManifest Portal) for importers are expected to be available in Fall 2016.