



J24: Japan 24 Hour Rule

J24 Overview

On March 30, 2012, a bill to amend part of the Customs Tariff Law and relevant laws has passed through the Diet. This amendment enacts the **Advance Filing Rules**, which require a vessel operator and NVOCC to electronically submit to the Customs information on maritime container cargoes bound to a port in Japan, in principle no later than 24 hours before departure of the vessel from a port of loading. The rules will be **implemented in March 2014**.

Maritime container cargoes to be loaded on a vessel intended for entry into a port in Japan are required to file. Empty containers, platform containers and transit cargoes will be excluded for the time being from the application until the rules are well-established. Note that cargo that is not delivered on a direct service to Japan must be refilled at each transshipment port as if that were the origin port, similar to EU. Both VOCC and NVOCC are required to file.

Proposed Data Elements:

- Consignor Name
- Consignor Address
- Consignor Telephone Number
- Consignor Country CODE
- Consignee Name
- Consignee Address
- Consignee Telephone Number
- Consignee Country CODE
- Notify Party Name
- Notify Party Address
- Notify Party Telephone Number
- Notify Party Country CODE
- Description of Goods
- Harmonized System Code (6-digit)
- Number of Packages
- Total Gross Weight
- Volume
- Mark and Number of Cargo
- Carrier Code
- Vessel Code (Call Sign)
- Voyage Number
- Port of Loading
- Estimated Date and Time of Departure (from port loading)
- Port of Origin Code
- Port of Discharge Code
- Estimated Date of Arrival (at port of discharge)
- Place of Delivery
- Bill of Lading Number
- Seal Number
- Container Size Code
- Container Type Code
- Container Ownership Code
- Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code)
- Whether each container is empty or full
- Processing Category Code (The element for distinguishing presence or absence of information about House Bill of Lading and relaxed application to the deadline for filing)



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