



TAX & CUSTOMS
ADMINISTRATION
MALTA

AN-PN-TS System

Supply chain Stakeholders

- Carriers
- Forwarding agents
- Clearing agents
- Temporary Storage Operators
- Free Zone Operators

AN, PN & TS System

A web-based system which will be replacing the current Manifest

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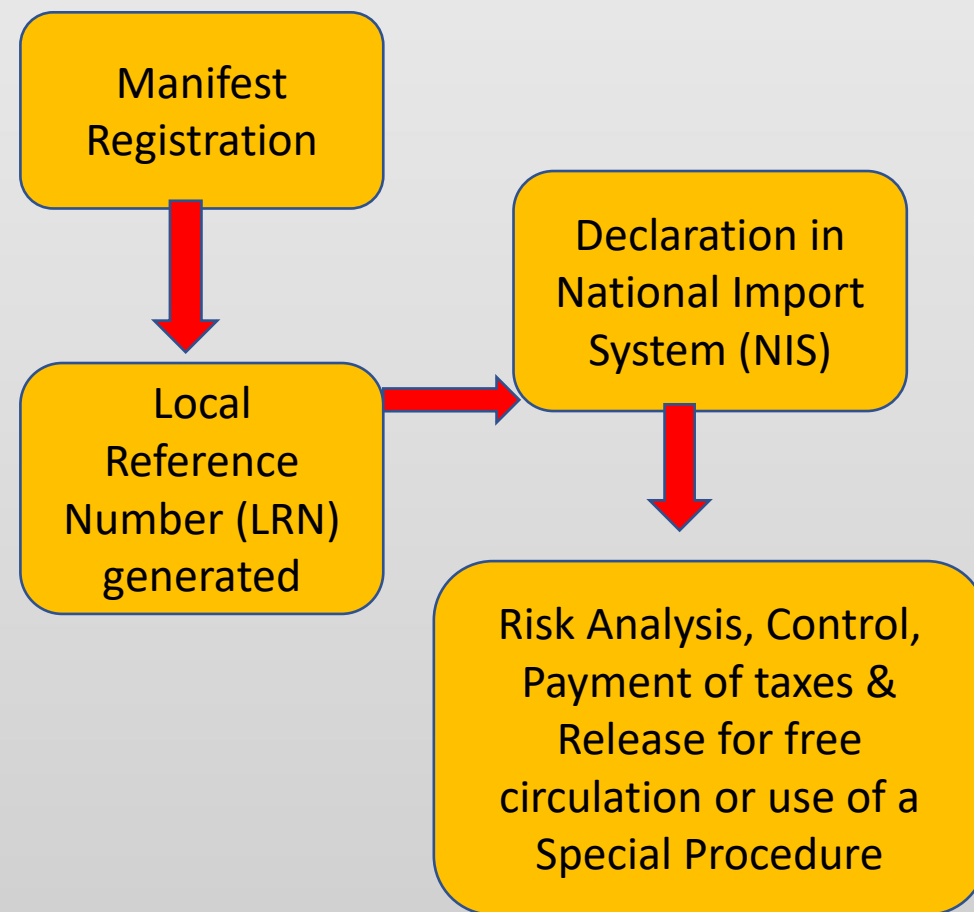
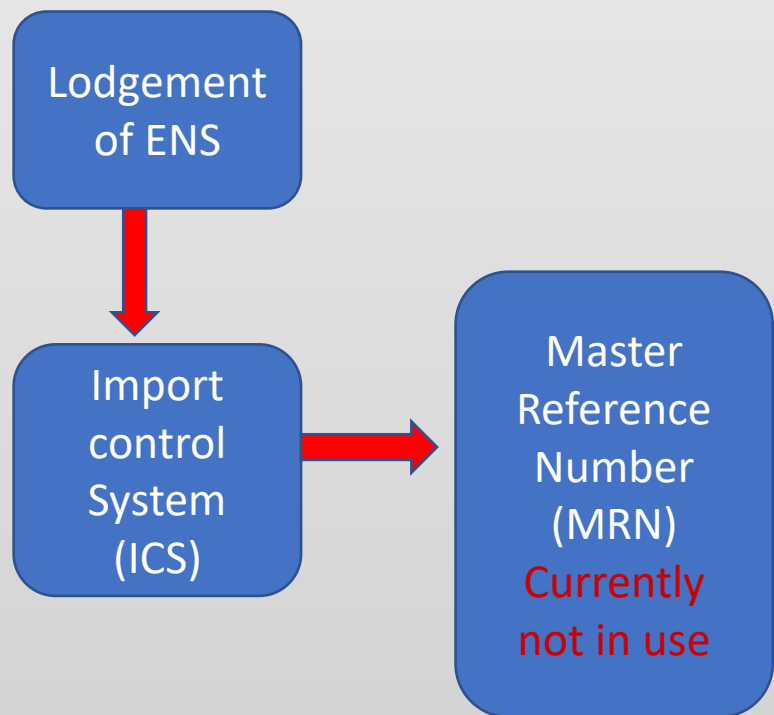
Arrival Notification – 133 UCC, 189 IA

Presentation Notification – 139 UCC, 190 IA

Temporary Storage – 144-149 UCC, 115-118 DA, 191-193 IA

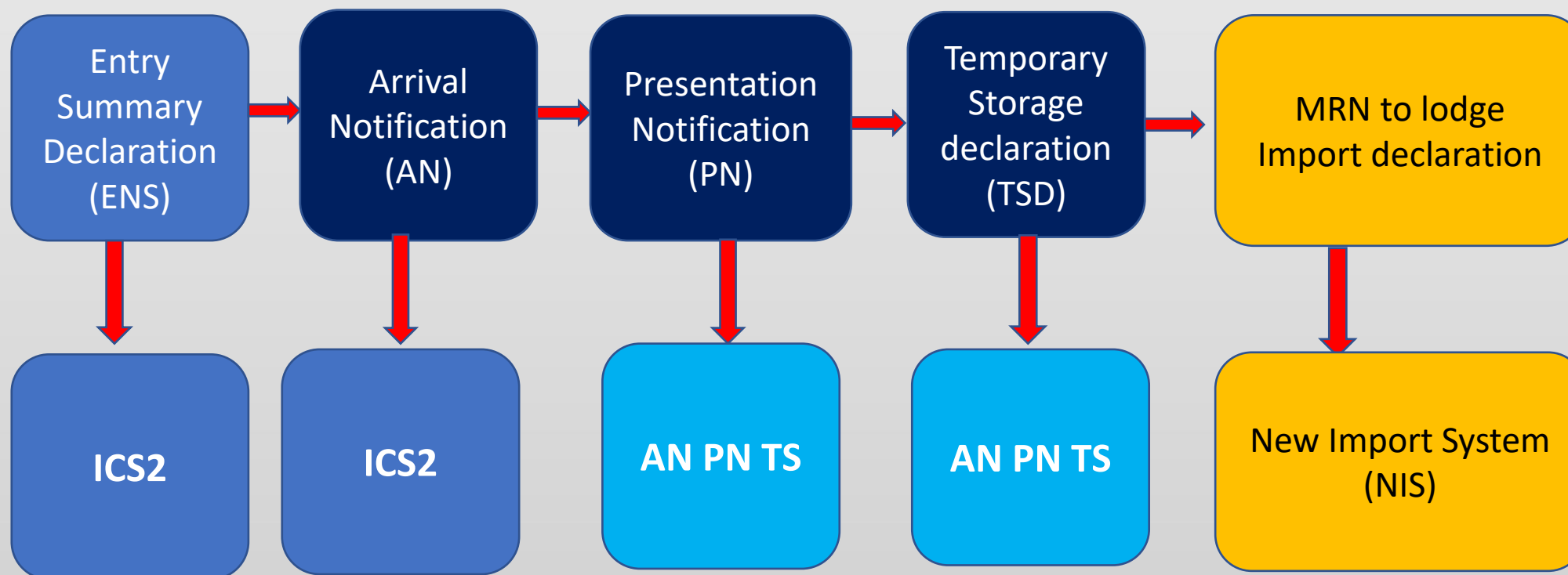
Formalities for entry

Current process:



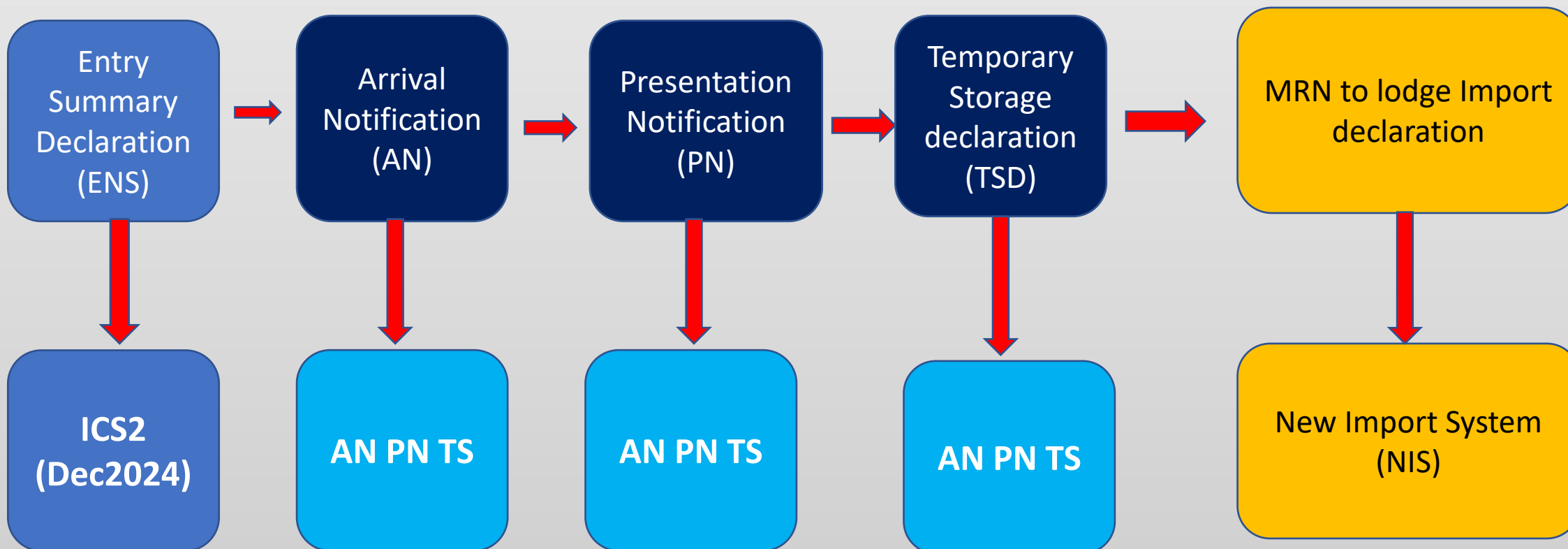
Formalities for Air Cargo

- New work-flow:



Formalities for Sea Cargo

New work-flow:



Carriers / Representatives

Arrival Notification

- The arrival notification is the message sent to the customs office of first entry to inform it, that the vessel or the aircraft has arrived;
- The arrival notification with ENS as a previous document should contain the particulars necessary for the identification of the previously lodged ENS and should be submitted only via the ICS2 Shared Trader Interface (central system).

Who can lodge an AN?

The arrival notification is normally lodged by the carrier or his representative

Arrival Notification Data Set

- * Previous document – MRN generated from ENS

- * Transport document – B/L, AWB

- LRN – generated automatically

- Person notifying arrival – EORI & e-mail address or telephone no.

- * Estimated date and time of arrival

- Actual date and time of arrival

- Declaration date

- Actual customs office of first entry

- Conveyance reference number id of journey of means of transport –voyage number/flight no.

- Mode of transport at the border – sea, air, mail road

- Active border transport means - IMO ship identification or IATA flight no.

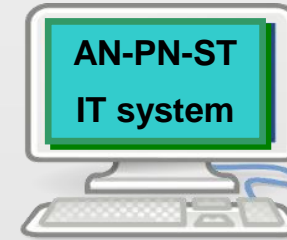
- * **At least one of the marked data elements shall be declared.**

- Carriers/Representatives
- Forwarding Agents
- Clearing Agents
- Temporary storage operators
- Free Zone Operators
- Importers

Arrival Notification without ENS as previous document



Trader



1

The **Trader** submits an Arrival notification without ENS as previous document

AN215 (G2)
Arrival notification

2

(alt) Syntax validation Is unsuccessful

Arrival Notification AN215

The type of cargo should be indicate using one or more of the following indicators:

- Goods remaining on board
- Union Goods
- Non-Union Goods

If case of means of transport without cargo:

- Nil-Cargo

IM917
Syntax Error notification

3

(alt) Logical validation is unsuccessful. AN status is REJECTED

AN216
Arrival Notification Rejection

4a

Logical validation is successful. AN status is ACCEPTED, or

IE228
Arrival Notification Acceptance

4b

Logical validation is successful, but customs decide to reject the AN. AN status is REJECTED,

AN216
Arrival Notification Rejection

Presentation Notification

- Goods must be presented to Customs upon their arrival in Malta and available to customs controls
- The presentation notification should contain the MRN for the identification of the previously lodged ENS, if ENS is used as a previous document
- Presentation Notification and Temporary Storage Declaration are to be submitted for **all non-Union goods**.
- When the goods already under a transit procedure are brought into the customs territory of the Union there is no need to submit Presentation Notification in AN-PN-TS system.

Who can lodge a PN?

- The person who brought the goods into the customs territory of the Union;
- The person in whose name or on whose behalf the person who brought the goods into that territory acts;
- The person who assumed responsibility for carriage of the goods after they were brought into the customs territory of the Union;
- Any person who immediately places the goods under a customs procedure (pre-lodged declaration);
- Free Zone operator

Presentation Notification Data Set

- Previous document (ENS MRN)
- Transport document – (Airwaybill or Bill of lading)
- LRN (Automatically generated)
- Declarant – (Declarant's details)
- Representative – (Representative's details)
- Person presenting the goods
- Declaration date
- Date and time when the goods were presented to customs
- Location of goods (Type B & Temporary Storage authorization number)
- Transport equipment - (Container Number)
- Customs office of presentation
- Receptacle identification (For consolidated post)

Temporary Storage Declaration

- Non-Union goods brought in Malta are considered to be in temporary storage from the moment they arrive and are presented to customs;
- Goods are discharged from temporary storage once they are placed under a customs procedure
- MRN from PN is mandatory for the acceptance of a Temporary Storage Declaration (TSD)

Who can lodge a TSD?

- The person who brought the goods into the customs territory of the Union;
- The person in whose name or on whose behalf the person who brought the goods into that territory acts;
- The person who assumed responsibility for carriage of the goods after they were brought into the customs territory of the Union;
- Any person who immediately places the goods under a customs procedure (pre-lodged declaration);
- The holder of an authorisation for the operation of storage facilities or any person who carries out an activity in a Free Zone

Pre-Lodged TSD

- A temporary storage declaration can be pre-lodged prior to the arrival of the goods, provided the ENS has been submitted if ENS is used as a previous document.
- A pre-lodged TSD will be accepted once the presentation notification has been lodged and accepted.
- The presentation notification should be submitted within 30 days of lodging a pre-lodged TSD.

Temporary Storage Data Set

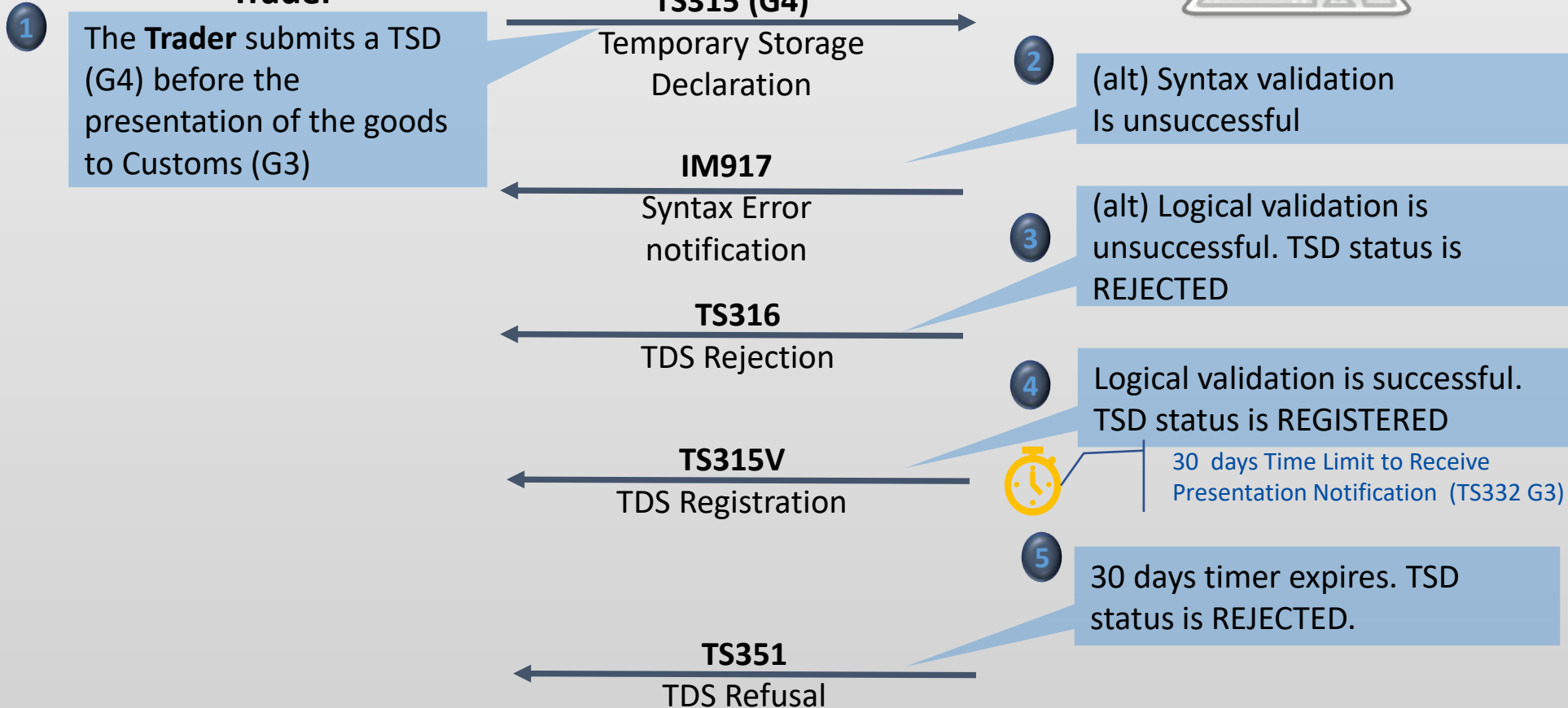
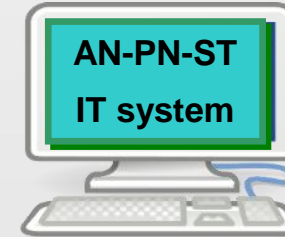
- Goods item number
- Specific circumstance indicator (G4)
- Previous document (ENS MRN)
- ***Additional information**
- Supporting document
- Additional reference
- Transport document
- ***Reference number/UCR**
- LRN (Automatically generated)
- Warehouse (TSF authorization number)
- Consignor
- Consignee
- Declarant
- Representative
- Notify party
- ***Additional supply chain actor**
- Estimated date and time of arrival at the port of unloading
- ***Place of loading**
- Place of unloading
- Location of goods (Type B & TSF number)
- Supervising customs office
- Total gross mass
- Gross mass
- Description of goods
- Commodity code (6 digit code)
- ***CUS code**
- Packing
- Arrival transport means
- Transport equipment (container number)
- Seal

*** Optional**

Separate TSD (G4) and PN (G3) – step 1



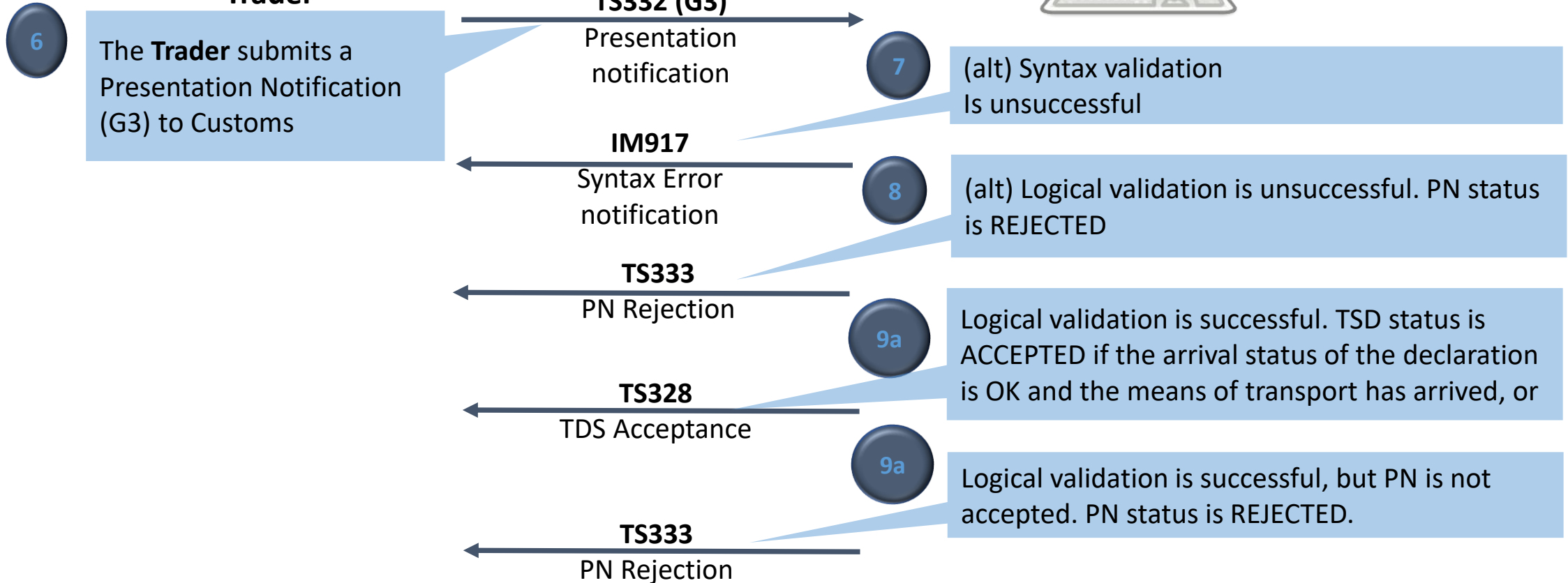
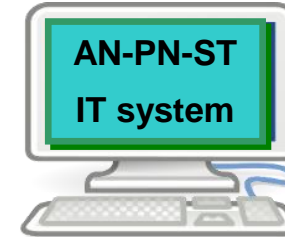
Trader



Separate TSD (G4) and PN (G3) – step 2



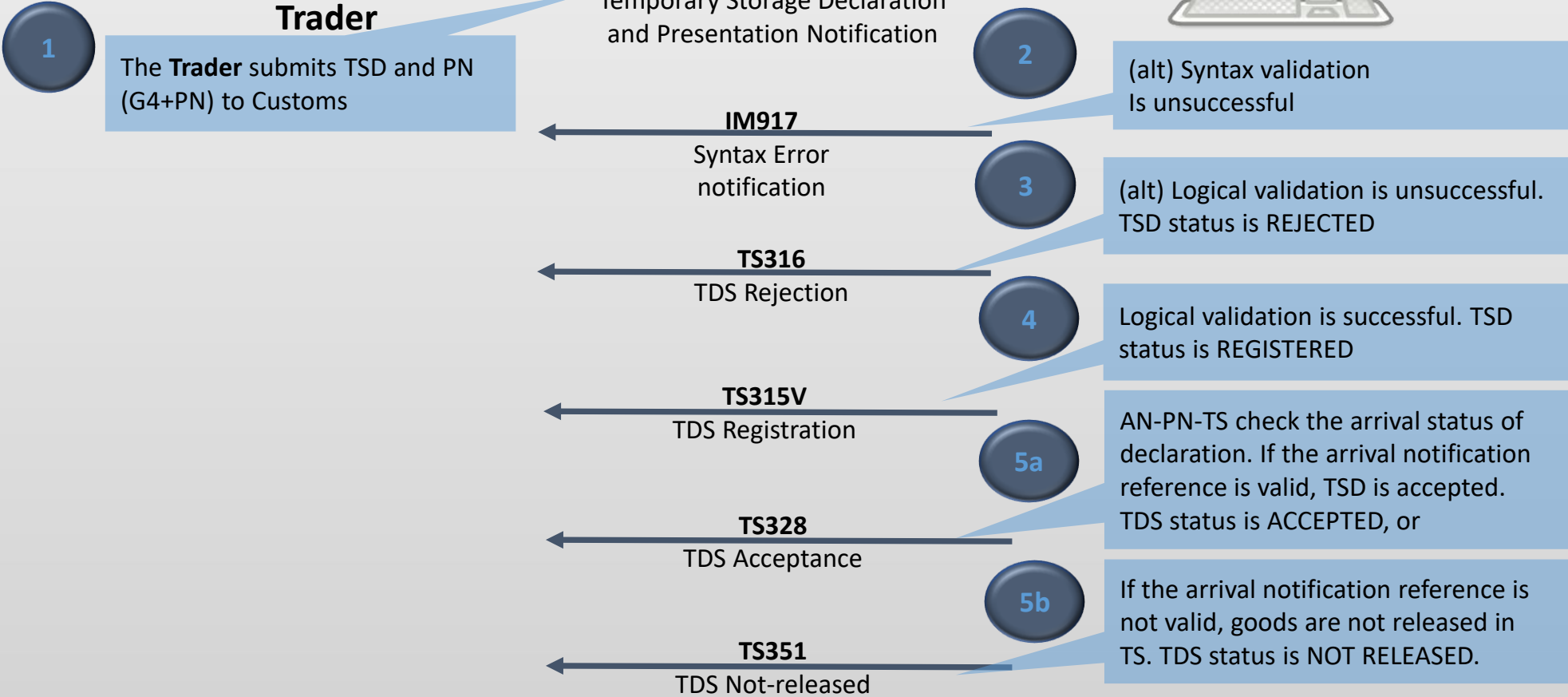
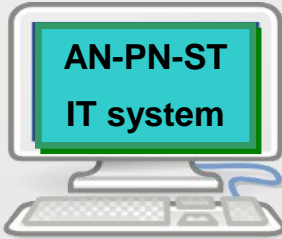
Trader



Combined TSD and PN (G4+G3)



Trader



Entry of goods in Malta

A 5-step
process:

- 1. Lodgement of ENS in ICS 2
- 2. Notification of the arrival of the means of transport (AN)
- 3. Presentation of the goods (PN)
- 4. Temporary Storage declaration of goods (TSD)
- Placing goods under a customs procedure (CD)

These steps are normally completed sequentially however, a customs declaration can be lodged prior to presentation of the goods without the need of a TSD. If ENS is used as a previous document, PN should be submitted only via the ICS2 Shared Trader Interface (central system).

EUCDM

EUCDM – EU customs Data Model for Trans European systems such as NCTS, AES, ICS and for national customs clearance systems in the EU. (<https://eucdm.softdev.eu.com>)

G2 – Arrival notification

G3 – Presentation Notification

G4 – Temporary Storage

G5 – Arrival notification in case of a movement of goods in temporary storage.

G3 & G4 – It will be possible to make a combined declaration for presentation of goods and temporary storage.

ICS 2

The current ICS1 version will be gradually replaced by a new system ICS2



ENS for postal packages is already being lodged in ICS 2
In **2023** ENS for air cargo and express freight operators shall be lodged in ICS 2 – **to be checked. It should be already in place?**



ICS 2 will be in place by December 2024 for sea cargo

Temporary Storage Facility Holders

Temporary Storage Facilities

- VGT: Laboratory Wharf & Deep Water Quay
- Transport Malta: Fuel Wharf
- Malta Freeport
- Aviation Services Handling (ex Air Malta Shed)
- KM Couriers Facility: Airswift, TC Smith & Express Logistics
- MIA Cargo Village: DHL, C&C Express, IHFS & Aviaserve
- Maltapost
- Hal-Far Groupage Complex

What is a Temporary Storage Facility?

TSF is a customs approved place inside or outside the approved area of a sea or airport, where non-Union goods are placed in storage prior to being placed under a customs procedure or re-exported.

The facility must be authorized by the customs authorities as a temporary storage facility.

TSF Authorisation

According to UCC Article 148 :

The Economic operator:

- Must be established in the EU customs territory;
- Must provide assurance of the proper conduct of the operations;
- Provide a guarantee in accordance to Article 89 (UCC);
- Provide access to customs for audit purposes;
- Keep appropriate records in a form approved by Customs.

Current TSFs

- Are required to re-apply;
- Review Guarantee;
- TSF number;
- Details on main accounts to be declared (system for record-keeping);
- The person (TS owner) responsible for the Authorisation.

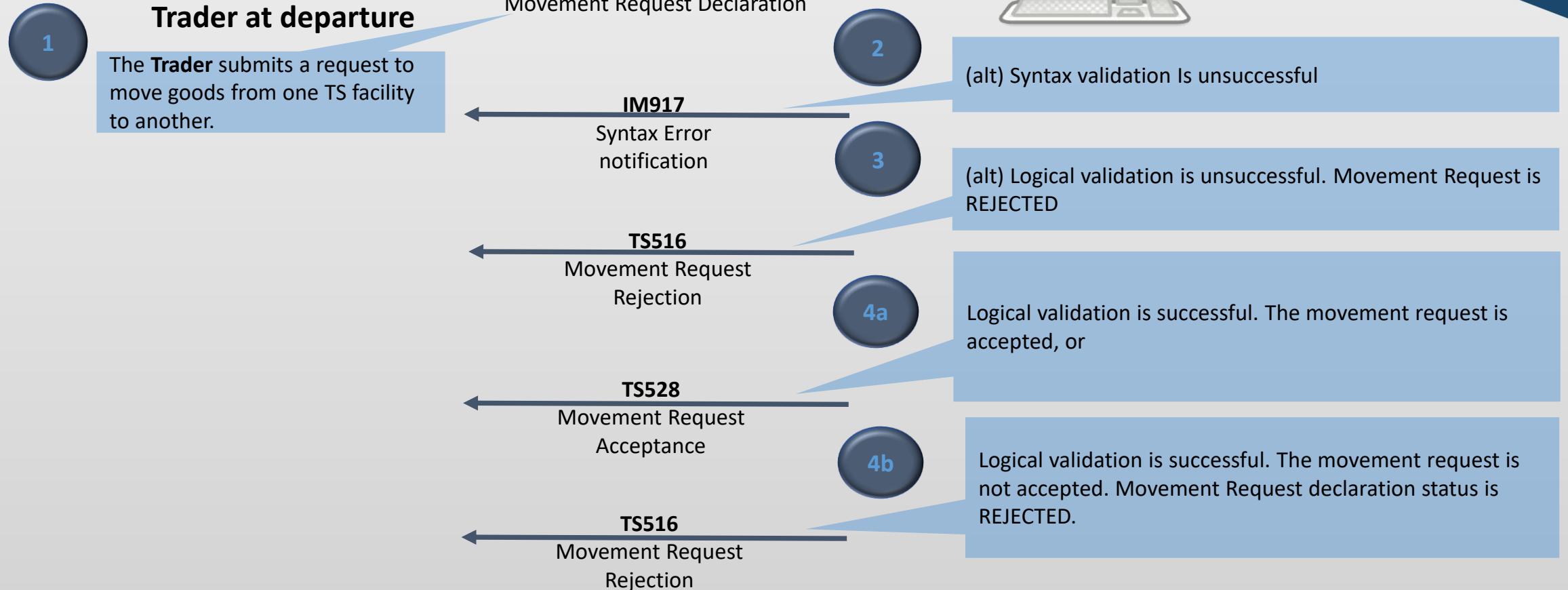
How to apply for a TSF authorisation

- The new customs section **Temporary Storage Monitoring Unit** which will be replacing the manifest monitoring unit are providing guidelines on the application process through the EU Customs Decisions System (CDS);
- Upon approval of the authorization by customs, a TS authorisation number is forwarded to applicant;
- This number shall be quoted in all future Temporary Storage declarations.

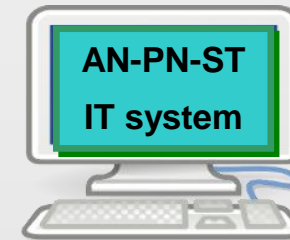
Movement of goods from one TSF to another

- Traders must submit a request to the supervising customs office (departure) to move goods from the TSF to the other TSF (destination).
- Supervising customs office (departure) shall accept/reject request for movement.
- Upon arrival at the TSF of destination, the TSF holder of destination shall notify the supervising customs office of destination.
- Customs office of destination communicates acceptance of movement.

Movement of goods from one TSF to another – formalities at departure



Movement of goods from one TSF to another – formalities at destination



1

Trader at destination

The **Trader at destination** submits notification for arriving of the goods at destination TS facilities

TS501 (G5)

Declaration of Movement of Goods under Temporary Storage

2

(alt) Syntax validation Is unsuccessful

IM917

Syntax Error notification

3

(alt) Logical validation is unsuccessful. The Notification of arrival is REJECTED

TS506

G5 Declaration Rejection

4a

Logical validation is successful. The Notification of arrival is accepted, or

TS508 (G5)

G5 Declaration Acceptance

4b

Logical validation is successful. The Notification for arriving of the goods at TS facilities at destination is not accepted. Declaration of Movement of Goods under Temporary Storage status is REJECTED.

TS506

G5 Declaration Rejection

Deconsolidation

Example:

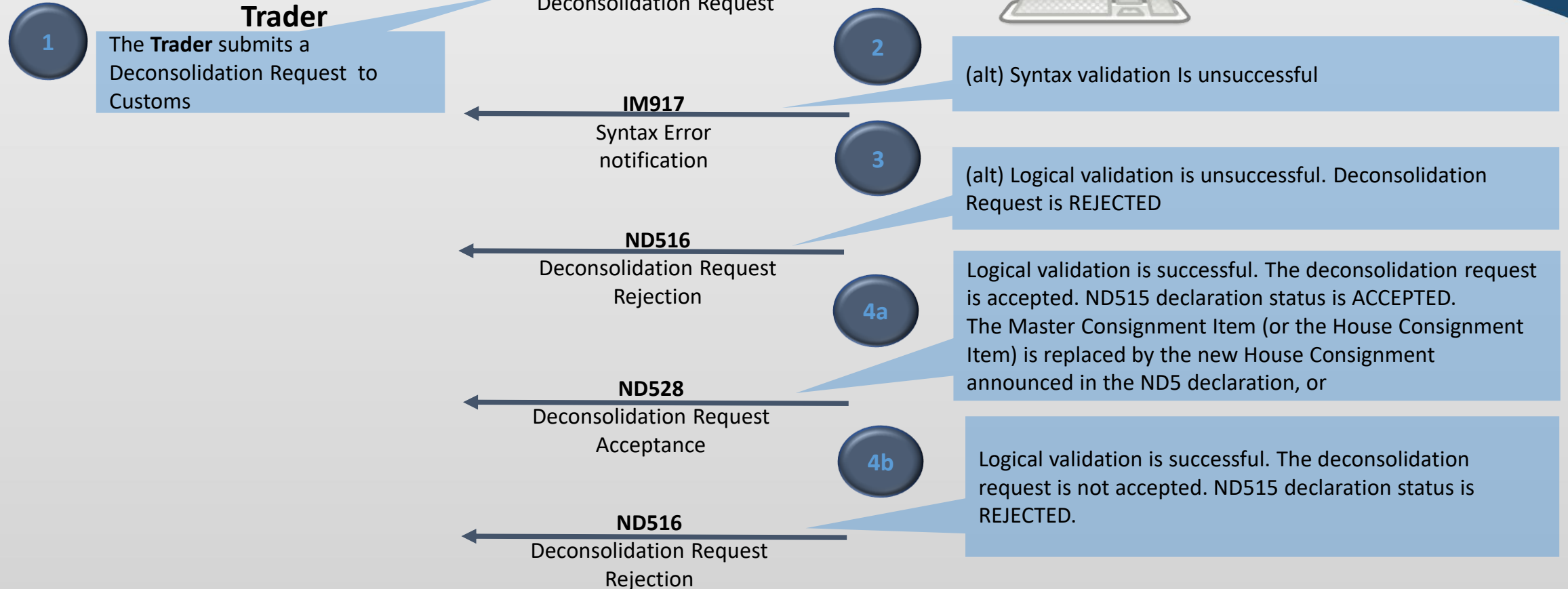
After the groupage cargo is moved from Freeport to Hal-Far Groupage Complex a deconsolidation declaration in AN-PN-TS system has to be lodged using code ND515.

In case of a mixed status non-regular container the non-EU goods shall be discharged from the TSD automatically by the import system while EU goods shall be discharged by customs manually against a T2L

Deconsolidation of a Master Consignment Item or a House Consignment Item



Trader



TSD time limit

As per UCC Article 149:

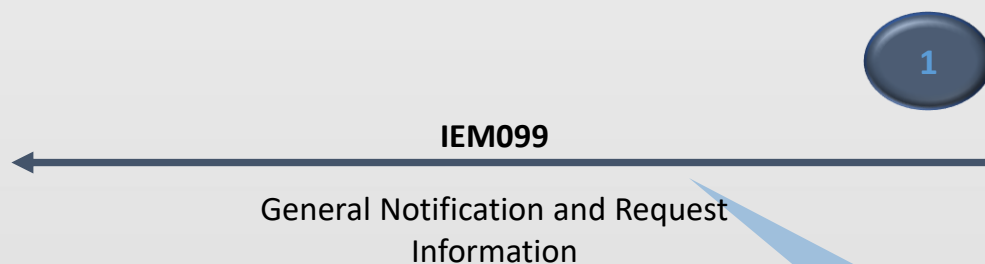
Non-Union goods in temporary storage shall be placed under a customs procedure or re-exported within 90 days.

The customs authorities shall take any necessary measures, including confiscation and sale, or destruction, to dispose of goods once the 90 days limit elapses.

End of Temporary Storage with expiration of the timer



Trader



1. Non-Union goods in temporary storage have been placed under a custom procedure or re-exported within 90 days, or
 - 2a. The 90-days timer has expired
 - 2b. The TDS is set to status 'EXPIRED'.
3. Message IM099 – General Notification and Request Information is sent to the Trader

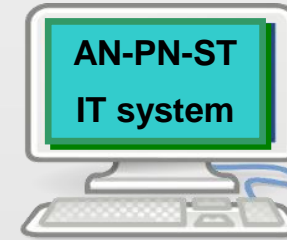
Amendments

- Amendments may be possible on certain data elements.
- Amendments on the type of goods would not be possible.
- Traders shall submit request for an amendment.
- Customs shall approve or reject.
- Trader performs amendment.

Amendment of TSD (G4 or G4+G3)



Trader



**AN-PN-ST
IT system**

1

The **Trader** submits a request for amendment of registered TDS (G4) or accepted TSD (G4 + G3)

TS313 (G4 or G4+G3)

Temporary Storage Declaration
Amendment Request

2

(alt) Syntax validation
Is unsuccessful

IM917

Syntax Error notification

3

(alt) Logical validation is
unsuccessful. TSD amendment
request is rejected

TS305

TDS Amendment Request
Rejection

4a

Logical validation is successful and
amendment request is accepted,
or

TS304

TDS Amendment Request
Acceptance

4b

Logical validation is successful
and amendment request is Not-
accepted.

TS305

TDS Amendment Request
Rejection

Status of TSD

The previous TSD (G4) remains in status "REGISTERED".

The previous TSD (G4 + G3) remains in status "ACCEPTED".

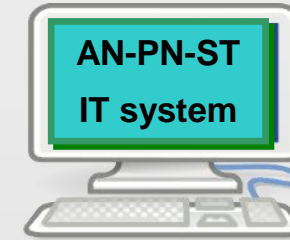
Invalidation

- Traders can submit an invalidation request for a Temporary Storage declaration.
- Customs shall accept or reject the request for invalidation
- A TSD invalidation means that the declaration is invalidated.

Invalidation of TSD (G4 or G4+G3)



Trader



**AN-PN-ST
IT system**

1

The **Trader** submits a request for invalidation of registered TDS (G4) or accepted TSD (G4 + G3)

TS314 (G4 or G4+G3)

Temporary Storage Declaration
Invalidation Request

2

(alt) Syntax validation
Is unsuccessful

IM917

Syntax Error notification

Status of TSD

The status of TSD (G4) become 'INVALIDATED' if the invalidation request is accepted, or remains "REGISTERED" if the invalidation request is Not-accepted or .

The status of TSD (G4+G3) become 'INVALIDATED' if the invalidation request is accepted, or remains "ACCEPTED" if the invalidation request is Not-accepted.

3

(alt) Logical validation is
unsuccessful. TSD status is
REJECTED

TS309 with 'negative result'

TDS Invalidation Request
Rejection

4a

Logical validation is successful and
invalidation request is accepted, or

TS309 with 'positive result'

TDS Invalidation Request
Acceptance

4b

Logical validation is successful
and invalidation request is Not-
accepted by a Customs Officer.

TS309 with 'negative result'

TDS Invalidation Request
Rejection

Possible AN-PN-TS Scenarios

Scenario 1 - Carrier

Carrier – May opt to lodge the arrival notification and stops there. Forwards the MRN of the AN and ENS MRN to his clients;

Carrier – may opt to lodge the AN-PN-TSD and forwards the MRN of the TSD to the importer for further processing in the customs import system;

Carrier – may opt to go all the way, submits the AN-PN-TS and proceeds to lodge the import declaration on behalf of the importer

Scenario 2 - Freight Forwarding Agent

Freight Forwarding Agent – uses MRNs handed by Carrier to lodge the Presentation Notification and Temporary storage declaration. Forwards MRN of the TSD to importer if the importer wants to do the declaration himself;

Freight Forwarding Agent – may forward the MRNs handed by Carrier to a Clearing Agent or the Importer to lodge PN&TSD;

Freight Forwarding Agent - may proceed with the whole process and continue to lodge the import declaration on behalf of the importer

Scenario 3 - Clearing Agent/Burdnar

Clearing Agent – receives MRNs from Carrier or Forwarding agent. He may proceed by submitting the PN & TSD and proceed to lodge the import declaration on behalf of the importer;

Clearing Agent – may opt to submit only the PN&TSD and forwards the MRN of the TSD to the importer. With the MRN of the TSD the importer may lodge the import declaration himself.

Scenario 4 - Temporary Storage Facility Holder

TSF Holder – uses MRNs forwarded by Carrier to lodge the Presentation Notification and Temporary storage declaration. If importer wants to lodge the import declaration himself the TSF holder has to forward the MRN of the TSD to importer;

TSF Holder - may proceed with the whole process and continue to lodge the import declaration on behalf of his client

Help Desk

Temporary Storage Monitoring Unit – Old Airport Terminal

Queries on the new AN-PN-TS system

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