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Integration of FGAS Export Formalities with the Customs AES Export System via EU CSW- CERTEX and Additional System Enhancements

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1. Integration of FGAS Export Formalities

1.1 Purpose

The Customs Department hereby notifies all Economic Operators that, as from 20th May 2026, fluorinated greenhouse gas (FGAS) export formalities will be electronically integrated with the national Customs Export System through the European Union Customs Single Window Certificates Exchange System (EU CSW-CERTEX).

The integration will enable automated verification of FGAS-related registrations, prohibitions, exemptions and information requirements against the European Commission DG CLIMA F-Gas Portal during the processing of export declarations.

The implementation forms part of the EU Customs Single Window environment developed by DG TAXUD and DG CLIMA under Regulation (EU) 2024/573 and the EU CSW-CERTEX framework.

1.2 Scope

The integration applies to export declarations covering fluorinated greenhouse gases (FGAS), products, equipment or parts thereof which are subject to the FGAS regulatory framework and corresponding TARIC measures.

The automated verification will apply to export procedures including:

- Procedure Code 10
- Procedure Code 11
- Procedure Code 21
- Procedure Code 22
- Procedure Code 23
- Procedure Code 31

For export procedures 10, 21, 22 and 23, Quantity Reservation processing shall apply where relevant.

1.3 EU CSW-CERTEX Verification

Through EU CSW-CERTEX, Customs will automatically validate the FGAS-related data declared in the export declaration against the DG CLIMA F-Gas Portal.

The verification may include:

- Registration validity;
- Export prohibition exemptions;
- Military exemptions;
- Laboratory and analytical-use exemptions;
- Quantity and CO₂e validations;
- Availability of authorisations and quota where applicable.

Economic Operators are therefore required to ensure that all registrations and declarations in the F-Gas Portal are valid, complete and updated before lodging export declarations.

1.4 TARIC Document Type Codes Processed via EU CSW-CERTEX for FGAS Export

The following FGAS TARIC Document Type Codes will be processed electronically through EU CSW-CERTEX for export formalities:

TARIC Code	Description
Y161	Exemption from export prohibition according to Article 22.3 of Regulation (EU) 2024/573
Y154	Exemption for laboratory or analytical use containers under Article 11.3
Y168	Military exemption from export prohibition
Y123	Undertaking registered according to Article 20 of Regulation (EU) 2024/573
Y121	Tonnes of CO2 equivalent
Y163	Net mass of fluorinated greenhouse gases charged in products/equipment

Y163 applies only to products and equipment containing FGAS and not to bulk gases.

1.5 Completion of Customs Export Declaration

Economic Operators and customs representatives are reminded that the customs declaration must contain accurate FGAS supporting data.

1.6 Registration Requirement – Y123

The trader's FGAS Registration Identification Number issued by the F-Gas Portal must be declared under:

- Data Element 12 04 001 000 – **Reference Number**
- Data Element 12 04 002 000 – **Type** = Y123

The registration must correspond to the type of goods being exported.

1.7 Tonnes of CO2 Equivalent – Y121

Where applicable, the quantity of tonnes of CO2 equivalent must be declared under:

- Data Element 12 04 001 000 – **Reference Number**
- Data Element 12 04 002 000 – **Type** = Y121

The value must be numeric and expressed in tonnes of CO2 equivalent.

1.8 Net Mass of FGAS – Y163

For products and equipment containing FGAS, the net mass of the gas must be declared under:

- Data Element 12 04 001 000 – **Reference Number**
- Data Element 12 04 002 000 – **Type** = Y163

The quantity must be expressed in kilograms.

1.9 Automated Validation Results

The EU CSW-CERTEX system may return statuses including:

<u>Status</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
Valid	Registration or requirement valid for customs clearance
Not Valid	Registration or business profile incompatible with declared goods
Suspended	Registration temporarily suspended
Within Limit	Threshold or quota respected
Limit Exceeded	Quota or threshold exceeded
<u>CERTEX Information Received</u>	Information successfully recorded

Declarations failing automated validations may be rejected, suspended or referred for customs intervention.

1.9 Responsibilities of Economic Operators

Economic Operators are responsible for:

- Maintaining a valid registration in the DG CLIMA F-Gas Portal;
- Ensuring consistency between the customs declaration and FGAS registration profile;
- Declaring correct TARIC Document Type Codes;
- Declaring accurate CO₂e and net mass quantities;
- Ensuring availability of quota/authorisation where required;
- Ensuring that supporting data submitted in customs declarations is complete and accurate

1.10 Important Operational Notes

- EU CSW-CERTEX processes one message flow per unique combination of MRN, TARIC Document Type Code and Reference Number.
- Consignment items referring to the same FGAS document within the same declaration may be consolidated by Customs into one message exchange.

- Quantity Reservation processing is performed automatically in real time for applicable export procedures.
- Certain labelling requirements remain subject to manual customs controls.

1.11 Legal Basis

The implementation is based primarily on:

- Regulation (EU) 2024/573 on fluorinated greenhouse gases;
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1375;
- EU Customs Single Window Certificates Exchange framework (EU CSW-CERTEX).

1.12 Training

Economic Operators are further informed that the European Commission has made available an EU eLearning training module concerning the enforcement of the F-Gas Regulation through EU CSW-CERTEX. All Economic Operators involved in the export of FGAS, products or equipment containing fluorinated greenhouse gases are strongly encouraged to complete this training in order to familiarise themselves with the new electronic verification and declaration requirements applicable from **20th May 2026**. The training module may be accessed through the following link: [EU eLearning Module – Enforcement of the F-Gas Regulation via EU CSW-CERTEX](#)

1.13 Non-Customs Competent Authority

The Malta Competition and Consumer Affairs Authority (MCCAA) is the non-customs competent authority responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the F-GAS Regulation, specifically through its Technical Regulation Division:

https://mccaa.org.mt/Section/Content?contentId=4465&utm_source=chatgpt.com

2. Additional AES System Enhancements – Mandatory Declaration of Previous Documents for A1, A2 and A3 Export Declarations

Economic Operators (EOs) submitting an A1, A2 or A3 Export declarations as from the 20th May 2026 are required to declare the previous document as mandatory, as follows:

- **A1** (Exit Summary Declaration) & **A2** (Exit Summary Declaration-Express Consignments)
 - A mandatory validation in AES-P1 requiring EO to declare one of the below Document Types in the Previous Document section:
 - **N337** - Temporary Storage Declaration from the AN PN TS System MRN
 - **8500** - Deconsolidation declaration for goods in temporary storage (ND5) also from the AN PN TS System MRN
 - **N820** - Transit Declaration "T". To be used for the National Transit Scenarios, whereby EO declares the T1 MRN

- **A3** Declarations (Re-Export Notification)
 - A mandatory validation in AES-P1 requiring EO to declare one of the below Document Types in the Previous Document section:
 - **N337** - Temporary Storage Declaration from the AN PN TS System MRN
 - **8500** - Deconsolidation declaration for goods in temporary storage (N5) also from the AN PN TS System MRN
 - **NMRN** - Declaration/Notification MRN. (This will cover for re-export from a Free Zone (Form A/B))

Economic Operators are strongly encouraged to ensure readiness prior to the implementation date.

For any further clarifications please contact the Customs export helpdesk:

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