

Notice to Traders



Hong Kong Customs Implements Mutual Recognition Arrangement on Authorized Economic Operators with Mexico Customs



The Hong Kong-Mexico Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) on the Authorized Economic Operators (AEOs) becomes operational with effect from **1 August 2024**.

The Customs and Excise Department (C&ED) ratified the MRA with the Mexico Customs (Tax Administration Service) on 24 December 2020. The MRA not only fosters closer cooperation between C&ED and its counterpart in Mexico in promoting a secure and efficient flow of goods in the international supply chain, but also further strengthens the trade competitiveness of local companies in Mexico.

Under the MRA, local companies accredited by the C&ED as AEOs can enjoy Customs facilitation, such as reduced examination or prioritized clearance, for goods exported to Mexico upon arrival. Similarly, companies which have been certified by Mexico Customs as AEOs will have their exported goods cleared expeditiously upon arrival in Hong Kong.

To enjoy clearance facilitation during import and export under the MRA, please follow the procedures to enjoy the benefits under the MRA between Hong Kong and Mexico at **Annex I**.

Joining the Hong Kong AEO Programme

If you are not a Hong Kong AEO right now, you are cordially invited to join the Hong Kong AEO Programme to enjoy the clearance facilitation.

For more information, please visit the HK AEO website (https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/trade_facilitation/aeo/index.html) or contact us at 3759 2153.

Customs and Excise Department
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Procedures to Enjoy Benefits Under Mutual Recognition Arrangement between

Hong Kong – Mexico

Hong Kong AEO Exporting Consignments to Mexico

1. Your company should provide the following information certified under the HKAEO Programme accurately to Mexico importers / Customs brokers when exporting consignments to Mexico:

- HKAEO Code
- Company name
- Company address

2. Importers / Customs brokers in Mexico will input the following information when filing import declaration by using the electronic system under Mexico Customs (Tax Administration Service).

- (a) HKAEO Code
- (b) Company name
- (c) Company address
- (d) Identifier “OE”¹
- (e) Country Code “**HKG**”

DATOS DEL DESTINATARIO						
ID. FISCAL (a) HKAEO Code e.g. AEOHKXXXXXXXXXX	NOMBRE, DENOMINACIÓN O RAZÓN SOCIAL (b) Company Name e.g. TECHNO INDUSTRIES, CO			DOMICILIO: (c) Address e.g. 1778, TOWER 7, 25 CANTON ROAD, HONG KONG		
TRANSPORTE	IDENTIFICACIÓN:			PAÍS:		
NÚMERO (GUIA/ORDEN EMBARQUE)/ID:						
NÚMERO / TIPO DE CONTENEDOR:						
CLAVE / COMPL. IDENTIFICADOR:						
	(d) OE	(a) HKAEO Code e.g. AEOHKXXXXXXXXXX		(e) HKG		
OBSERVACIONES						

Screencap of Mexico Customs' Electronic System

Enquiry:

For any enquiries about data entry to the Mexico Customs' Electronic System, please refer to the official website <https://www.sat.gob.mx> or contact Mexico Customs at oeamexicoarm@sat.gob.mx.

¹ OE: Identifier of the international supplier of Mexico MRA partners, i.e. from country that has signed the Mutual Recognition Arrangement with Mexico

Importing Mexico AEO Consignments into Hong Kong

1. Your company should ask exporters in Mexico (if they are AEOs) to accurately furnish their **Company Names** and **Operating Addresses** certified under the AEO program, together with other cargo information, to their carriers (i.e. Airlines or Container lines).
2. Carriers will use such information in completing cargo manifests of the conveyances, which will be used for Customs clearance by C&ED.
