



Introduction to ASEAN Customs Transit System (ACTS)



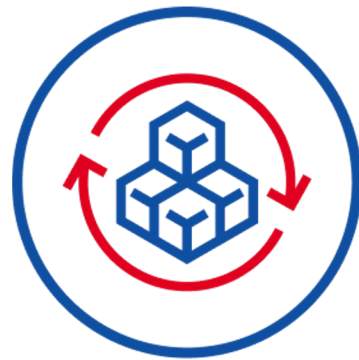
- The **ASEAN Customs Transit System**, or **ACTS** has been developed by ASEAN Member States, with the technical assistance programmes funded by the European Union
- ACTS implements **Protocol 7: Customs Transit System**, of the **ASEAN Framework Agreement on the Facilitation of Goods in Transit**
- ACTS is **operating live** in the participating ASEAN Member States: **Cambodia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand and Viet Nam** from **2 November 2020**

The overall ACTS objective is

“to simplify and harmonize transport, trade and Customs regulations and to establish an effective, efficient, integrated and harmonized transit transport system in ASEAN”

ACTS is designed to balance the **facilitation** and **control** of the goods in transit, moving from place to place between participating ASEAN Member States

What is transit of goods under ACTS?



Goods move freely from one location to another **crossing** as many **borders between participating ASEAN Member States** as needed in the sealed compartment on a truck under Customs control and **suspension of duties and taxes**



Single Bank Guarantee
covers the duties and
taxes at risk for the cross
border entire journey

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Goods move under **single digital Customs Transit Declaration** submitted at departure and valid throughout the whole journey

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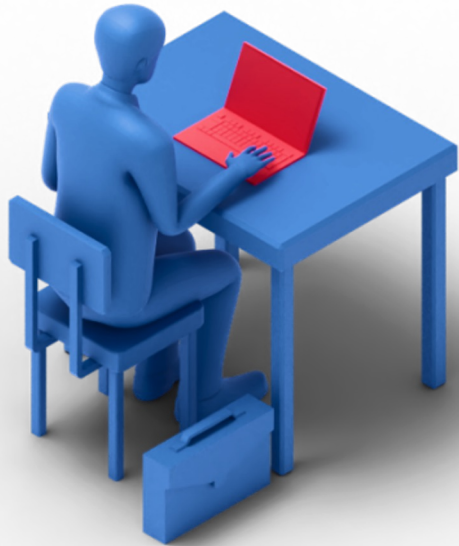
Single truck can be used to transport the goods cross border **from departure location all the way to the destination location**



Common set of laws, regulations and procedures for moving goods in the ASEAN region are applied



**Duties and taxes are only paid
at the country of import**
wherever that may be after
transit is **completed**



Trader Submits Declaration To Customs - Online

- Declaration Details
- Guarantee Details

ACTS automatically validates declaration and assigns **ACTS Reference Number (ARN)**

- ARN is sent online to Trader
- Trader can move goods to Customs Office of Departure



Customs may decide to inspect the movement before departure

- Documentary and/or physical inspection of the Goods
- Declaration may need amending by the trader principal if discrepancies are found



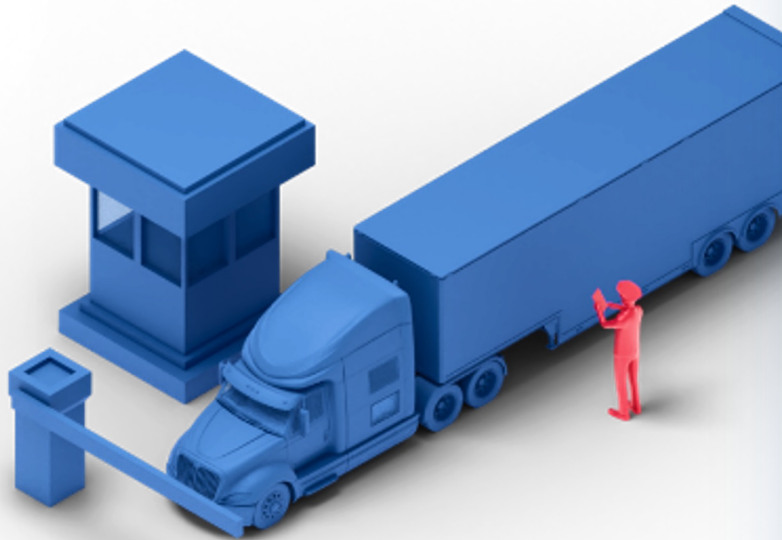
Customs releases the goods for transit

- Truck is sealed and **seals** registered in ACTS
- Consignment is released for transit
- Transit Accompanying Document (**TAD**) is printed and given to the driver
- Adequate guarantee amount is locked



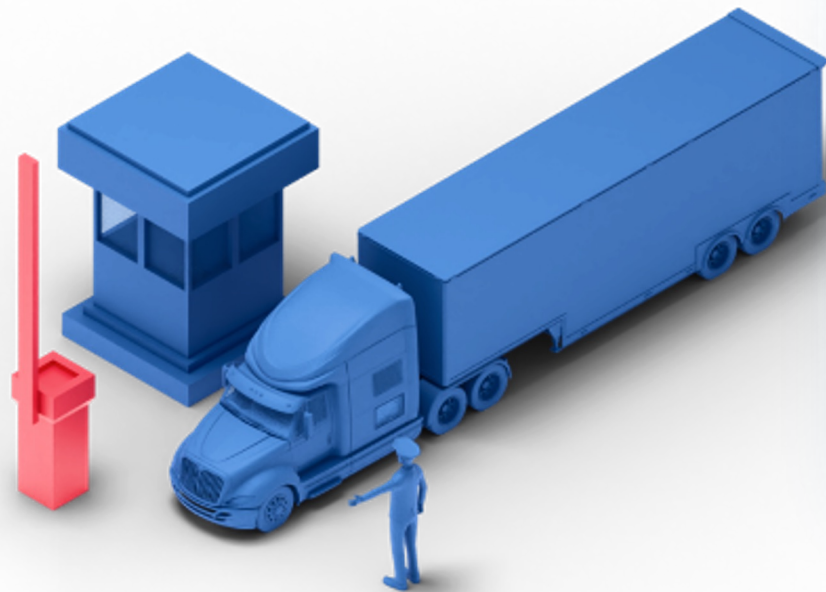
Driver presents **Transit Accompanying Document (TAD)** to Customs

- Customs scan **ARN** barcode into ACTS to access declaration details received from Customs Office of Departure earlier



Customs inspect condition of **seals**

- If seals are not broken, Customs will not inspect the goods
- Customs can inspect accompanying documentation, permits and even inspect the goods if there is good reason to do so
- If seals are broken for inspection, new seals will be affixed by Customs and registered in ACTS



Customs allow truck to cross the border

- Customs decision registered in ACTS
- In the event that there were issues, Customs may either turn the truck back or stop the movement



Driver presents **TAD** to Customs on Arrival

- Customs scan **ARN** barcode into ACTS to access declaration details received from Customs Office of Departure earlier
- Customs Register Arrival Notification

Customs will decide to inspect or not to and on the type of inspection that will be performed

- Documentary and/or physical inspection of goods



Customs will register in ACTS Control/Inspection findings

- If there are no discrepancies the goods are released from transit. The next customs procedure can then commence (import, temporary storage, re-export, etc.)
- If there are discrepancies, resolution may be required prior to releasing the goods from transit



Even **more benefits** for an experienced ACTS Principal traders **that uses ACTS regularly** who applies for and is granted the **Authorised Transit Trader (ATT)** **Fast border crossing Customs clearance** for the movement of **priority Green status** **lane treatment on single digital declaration**

- Movement of goods without presentation of goods to Customs from Company's premises to Company's premises / Door to Door movement of goods
- Ability **est significant cost saving of 30-40% very high precision**
- Allows for **of the transit operation** improved production planning
- Guaranteed processing time at Departure and/or Destination
- Loading and sealing and/or Unloading your own vehicles at your own premises
- Automatic clearance by ACTS system for low risk movements



Thank you

