

(b) *Voiding of Line Release Transaction.* Customs may void a Line Release transaction for the following reasons: Because of an examination, because a carrier transporting the Line Release merchandise is not a participant in the Land Border Carrier Initiative Program (LBCIP), or because a driver or conveyance is not authorized in accordance with the LBCIP. If this occurs, Customs will return the invoice to the carrier, and the entry filer, in order to enter merchandise, shall prepare and submit either a CF 3461 or 3461 Alternate.

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#### § 142.48 Release procedure.

(a) *General.* When the Customs officer at the Line Release site determines that a shipment is ready for release, release data, consisting of the entry number, the date and time of release, the inspector's badge number, the quantity and unit of measure, and the C-4 Code will be printed on the invoice and the manifest document and, when other agency documentation is presented, may be printed on that documentation. The invoice shall be returned to the entry filer and the manifest document shall be retained by Customs.

(b) *Notification to non-ABI participants.* The returned invoice with the release data shall be the release notification to non-ABI participants.

(c) *Notification to ABI participants.* If the Line Release entry filer is an operational ABI participant, the filer shall receive an electronic notification of the release consisting of the importer of record number, the port of entry, the filer code, the entry number, the date and time of release, the manufacturer code, the quantity and unit of measure, the release site, the HTSUS number(s), the C-4 Code and the country or countries of origin.

#### § 142.49 Deletion of C-4 Code.

(a) *By Customs.* A port director may temporarily or permanently delete an entry filer's C-4 Code without providing the participant with any justification and without prior notification in cases of willfulness or when public health, interest, or safety so re-

quires, thereby revoking the filer's use of Line Release.

(b) *By entry filer.* Entry filers may delete C-4 Codes from Line Release by notifying the port director in writing on a Deletion Data Loading Sheet. Such notification shall state the C-4 Code which is to be deleted, the port where the C-4 Code is to be deleted and the reason for the requested deletion. A copy of the originally approved Data Loading Sheet must be submitted with the Deletion Data Loading Sheet. If only a temporary deletion is desired, the filer shall state the requested effective date for the deletion and the date the C-4 Code is requested to be returned to Line Release processing.

#### § 142.50 Line Release data base corrections or changes.

The applicant shall notify the port director of any changes in names, importer or filer numbers or bond information on a Line Release Data Loading Sheet as soon as possible. Notification shall be accomplished by the submission of a copy of the original loading sheet with a Correction Data Loading Sheet.

#### § 142.51 Changing election of entry or immediate delivery.

An applicant who has already received a C-4 Code and wishes to change the election chosen on his Line Release application as to whether the release should be considered an entry or an immediate delivery must submit a letter requesting such change to the port director where the C-4 Code is used. This letter must include the C-4 Code to be changed and the date the change is to be effective. If the requested change is for a temporary time period, the letter shall include the date the releases are to return to the release type originally requested. Applications that fail to state the effective dates of the changes requested will be returned to the applicant.

#### § 142.52 Port-wide and multiple port acceptance of Line Release.

(a) *Port-wide processing.* If a C-4 Code has been approved by the port director, the C-4 Code may be used at any Line Release site at the port.

(b) *Multiple port processing.* In order for a C-4 Code approved at one port to be used at another port, the entry filer must submit an application to the port director of the other port. While uniform criteria shall be applied to approving similar shipments for Line Release at all ports, a port director may exercise his discretion to deny Line Release at his port even though a similar shipment may be approved at another port.

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This part sets forth the requirements and procedures for participation in the Automated Broker Interface (ABI) and for the clearance of imported merchandise under appraisalment and informal entries as well as under electronic entry filing, which are in addition to the general requirements and procedures for all entries set forth in part 141 of this chapter. More specific requirements and procedures are set forth elsewhere in this chapter; for example, in part 145 for importations by mail, and in part 10 for merchandise conditionally free of duty or subject to a reduced rate.

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### Subpart A—Automated Broker Interface

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#### § 143.1 Eligibility.

The Automated Broker Interface (ABI) is a module of the Customs Automated Commercial System (ACS) which allows participants to transmit data electronically to Customs through ABI and to receive transmissions through ACS. Its purposes are to improve administrative efficiency, enhance enforcement of Customs and related laws, lower costs and expedite the release of cargo. Participants in ABI may be:

- (a) Customs brokers as defined in § 111.1 of this chapter;
- (b) Importers as defined in § 101.1 of this chapter; and