

### § 30.66

The exemption legend will include the statement "NO SED REQUIRED—AES" followed by the filer's identification number and a unique shipment reference number or the returned confirmation number. For exporters who have been approved to participate in Filing Option 4, the exemption statement, "NO SED REQUIRED—AES," should include the exporter's identification number and the filer's identification number if other than the exporter. The exemption legend must appear on the first page of the bill of lading, airway bill, or other commercial loading document and must be clearly visible.

#### § 30.66 Recordkeeping and documentation requirements.

All parties to the export transaction (owners and operators of the exporting carriers and exporters and their authorized agents) must retain documents or records verifying the shipment for five (5) years from the date of export. Customs, the Census Bureau, and other participating agencies may require that these documents be produced at any time within the 5-year time period for inspection or copying. These records may be retained in an elected format including electronic or hard copy as provided in the applicable agency's regulations. Acceptance of the documents by Customs or the Census Bureau does not relieve the exporter or their authorized agent from providing complete and accurate information after the fact.

### Subpart F—General Requirements—Importers

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#### § 30.70 Statistical information required on import entries.

Information for statistics on merchandise entering the United States from foreign countries, U.S. Foreign Trade Zones, and from the Virgin Islands of the United States, and other nonforeign areas (except Puerto Rico), is required to be reported by importers on the following Customs entry and withdrawal forms respectively required

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by U.S. Customs regulations for individual transactions: Custom Forms 7500, 7501, 7502, 7505, 7506, 7519, 7521, and 7535, and on Customs Form 7512 when used as an intransit entry to document immediate exportation or transportation and exportation. Upon request, the importer or import broker must provide the Census Bureau with information or documentation necessary to verify the accuracy or resolve problems regarding the reported import transaction received by the Census Bureau. The following items of information for statistics shall be reported on the respective forms:<sup>7</sup>

(a) *District and port code.* (All forms.) The Customs district code number and the port code number (as shown in Schedule D, *Classification of Customs Districts and Ports*) for the Customs port of entry or filing shall be supplied. (Where Customs does not require that the District and Port codes be inserted by importers, the codes will be filled in by Customs so that all entries and withdrawals received by the Bureau of the Census will bear these codes.)

(b) *Importing vessel or carrier.* (Not required for merchandise entering U.S. Customs territory from U.S. Foreign Trade Zones.) (1) (Customs Forms 7501, 7502, 7512, and 7521.) Information is required as to the carrier or means of transportation by which the merchandise was transported from a foreign country to the first port of unloading in the United States. If the merchandise has been further transported in bond between ports in the United States after having been unladen from the carrier on which it arrived in the United States, the name of the domestic carrier shall not be substituted, and the information furnished shall reflect the name of the carrier or means of transportation by which the merchandise arrived in the first U.S. port of unloading.

(2) For merchandise arriving in the United States by vessel, the name of the importing vessel is required. The

<sup>7</sup>The information required for statistical purposes is in most cases also required by Customs regulations for other purposes. (See § 30.80 for special reporting instructions for merchandise entering United States Customs Territory from United States Foreign Trade Zones.)