

**Customs Facilitation Measures provided by the Mainland Customs
for Wine Entering the Mainland through Hong Kong**

Facilitation Measures

Hong Kong Registered Wine Exporters may make use of the Web-based Computer System (Computer System) under the customs facilitation measures to enjoy facilitation in customs clearance for wines enter the Mainland through Hong Kong^(Note 1). The customs facilitation measures apply to all ports under Beijing, Tianjin, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Shenzhen Customs Districts. Details are as follows:

(1) Web-based Computer System^(Note 2)

- Hong Kong Registered Wine Exporters can make use of the Computer System to submit advance valuation and consignment information to the Mainland Customs for wines to be imported into the Mainland. The information will be transmitted immediately to the Mainland Customs when confirmed in order by C&ED. The Mainland Customs will provide facilitation for clearance of the wines.

(2) Expedited clearance at Mainland ports

- The Mainland Customs will provide the following facilitation to the Mainland Registered Wine Importers^(Note 3) to speed up the processing time for customs clearance of wines imported from those Hong Kong Registered Wine Exporters not making use of the Computer System:

(Note 1) The Mainland Customs reserves the right to conduct necessary verification of the wine imported from Hong Kong by importers using the customs facilitation measures.

(Note 2) The users have to give consent that information entered and uploaded to the Computer System, once stored or submitted, will represent their confirmation, agreement and authorization for C&ED to disclose the information to the Mainland Customs. Such information will only be used for purposes relating to the “Co-operation Arrangement on Customs Facilitation Measures for Wine Entering the Mainland through Hong Kong”.

(Note 3) According to the Supplement to “Co-operation Arrangement on Customs Facilitation Measures for Wine Entering the Mainland through Hong Kong” signed on 18 September 2014, the requirement for registration as Mainland Registered Wine Importers is removed and there will not be any new registration.

- a. For wine which has been imported into the Mainland before, the Mainland Customs may complete all customs clearance procedures within **three working days** provided that all necessary documents are submitted and no irregularities are found during customs clearance and checking; and
- b. For wine which has never been imported into the Mainland, the Mainland Customs may normally complete the valuation procedures within **seven working days**. If product valuation cannot be determined within the target timeframe, the Mainland Registered Wine Importers may request for advance release of the goods by providing duty guarantees. The Mainland Customs may take samples and release the products concerned upon payment of guarantees.

Enquiry and Related Information

For details on the operation of the “Customs Facilitation Arrangement”, please contact the following technical hotline and visit the webpage of C&ED:

	Technical Hotline	Website
C&ED	3759 2505 (Operating hours at 9:00 am to 12:30pm and 1:30 pm to 6:00 pm on Mondays to Fridays.)	http://www.customs.gov.hk/en/trade_facilitation/wine/index.html

The hotlines provided by the Beijing, Tianjin, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Shenzhen Customs Districts for the customs facilitation measures are:

Customs Districts	Hotline
Beijing, Tianjin, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Shenzhen	12360 (National service hotline provided by the General Administration of Customs operating 24 hours a day.)