



Customer Advisory

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Mandatory Requirement for Consignee's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) while submitting the Import Manifest to Tanzania.

Dear Valued customers,

Effective 26th January 2025, the New Tanzania Customs Integrated System (NTANCIS) will require all import manifests classified under "IMPORT" to include the Consignee's a 9-digit Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). This requirement is part of an initiative to improve data accuracy, streamline customs processing, and enhance integration between shipping lines and Customs brokers.

Key Points:

- This requirement is effective from 26th January 2025.
- The shippers must provide the consignee's Tax Identification Number (TIN) at the time of sending Shipping Instructions
- Applicable for shipments where Port of Discharge, Final Place of delivery, and Consignee's address is Tanzania.
- Not applicable for shipments where Port of Discharge, Final Place of delivery is Tanzania, but the Consignee's address is not Tanzania
- For consignments listed as "To Order," Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) of the Notify party must be provided.
- For consignments to banks, Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) of the notify party must be provided.

To ensure compliance and delays in the clearance of the cargo, please provide the valid **Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)** of the consignee while submitting Shipping Instructions for your shipments to Tanzania.

Thank you for support and partnership.



TANZANIA REVENUE AUTHORITY

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09th January, 2025

Executive Secretary,
Tanzania Shipping Agents Association,
P. O. Box 63217,
Dar es Salaam.

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Enhancing Customs Efficiency: Mandatory Inclusion of
Consignee TIN in Import Manifests**

This letter serves to notify you of an important enhancement in the New Tanzania Customs Integrated System (NTANCIS), which will take effect on **20th January, 2025**. To improve data quality, streamline customs processing, and enhance integration between manifests submitted by shipping lines and declarations made by Customs brokers, it will now be mandatory for all import manifests under the "IMPORT" classification to include the Consignee's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).

The inclusion of the TIN in import manifests is necessary for ensuring that accurate data is captured at the earliest stage of processing. This measure will improve the quality of information available for customs processing, eliminating errors and reducing the need for manual data entry or corrections. By linking the manifest directly to the consignee's TIN, the NTANCIS will simplify the processing workflow, allowing for faster clearance and more efficient management of imported goods.

It is important to note that this change will apply only to manifests related to imported goods under the "IMPORT" classification. Any manifest submitted without a valid TIN will be rejected by the NTANCIS and will not be processed until the correct TIN is provided.

We appreciate TASAA's continued involvement in the NTANCIS development process, particularly your contributions to system requirements, business process re-engineering, and user acceptance testing. Your support is instrumental in ensuring the success of this system, and we are confident that these changes will benefit the entire logistics community.

Thank you for your cooperation as we work together to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of Tanzania's Customs processes.

"Together We Build Our Nation"

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Commissioner For Customs and Excise

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