

The latest revised Egypt Advance Cargo Information (ACI)

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Dear Valued ONE Customers,

Following the announcement made regarding Egyptian Customs law #207/202, Advance Cargo Information (ACI) on 1<sup>st</sup> June, ONE wish to make the announcement with the latest revised information.

Egyptian Customs confirmed that there is a slight difference in the required items for ACI from our previous announcement, please find the latest information as below stated.

Advance Cargo information (ACI) is a new customs system that requires cargo data and documents (Commercial invoice, Packing list, Bills of Lading and Cargo Manifest) at latest until 48 hours before the vessel departure from the Loading port.

Under the ACI system, a unique number called ACID number (Advance Cargo information Declaration) to be issued for each shipment. ACID will be issued for each ACI request (maximum within 48 hours from request submission) by Egyptian customs portal - [Nafeza.gov.eg](http://Nafeza.gov.eg)

It is a Shippers responsibility to submit following data elements to shipping line booking office to comply ACI requirement (e-mail confirmation from Nafeza portal for ACID number is mandatory to be shared with ONE booking office).

❖ ACID Number:

A 19 digits number uniquely identifying the ACI shipment. 6 months valid after its issuance.

- Example: 4988470982020120017

❖ Shipper – Exporter Registration Number:

- The form can vary per country
- The registration type can be either Company Registration or VAT number
- The codes belong to the shipper on BL (It doesn't have to be the actual shipper)

- The Exporter registration number issued by the relevant authority.
  - ✓ Example: US-02-12083143645 (A US based exporter VAT number)
  
- ❖ Consignee – Egyptian Importer VAT Number:  
A 9 digits number issued by the Egyptian Tax Authority uniquely identifying all companies registered in Egypt.
  - ✓ Example: 498847098

ACID# is required for all inbound shipment to destination country Egypt, but also the following condition, ACI requirement is applicable.

- 1) In-transit by road to neighboring countries via Port of discharge Egypt
- 2) International transshipment at multiple Egyptian terminals (in case shunting between the discharge and load terminals is required)

ACID# is NOT required for International transshipment – both discharge and load- is done at 1 single Egyptian terminal

The full implementation of ACI is as of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021 (ETA at 1<sup>st</sup> Port of Loading). Without valid ACID#, ONE will strictly refrain from loading any shipment planned to be destined to Egypt due to the regulation.

The exporter is obliged:

- I. Mention ACID#, Importer VAT number, Exporter Registration number in Packing list, commercial invoice
- II. To provide ACID#, Importer VAT number, Exporter Registration number together with the ACID number confirmation e-mail from Nafeza portal to the ONE booking office at the time of Booking as much as possible and at latest in Shipping Instruction (earlier than 1<sup>st</sup> POL vessel ETA).

When those data elements are not provided in Shipping Instruction by its documentation cut off time (prior to vessel loading) at the booking office, ONE will roll over your container to the next available vessel and the cost is at the exporter.

For further information on Egypt ACI, please check the link below:

<https://www.nafeza.gov.eg/en/pages/15>

In regard to the new customs law # 207/2020, ONE is obliged to complete all manifest by:

48 hours prior to ETA in Egypt – Short sea shipment (less than 3 days voyage from Origin to Egypt)

72 hours prior to ETA in Egypt – Other shipment

Any costs associated to manifest correction after the given deadline, among others but not limited to customs penalties, change of destination and admin fees will be for the exporters account.

Should you need a manifest correction or COD after the above deadline, please consult with your local ONE booking offices.

\*Please note that the details of the new surcharge to cover manifest submission costs will follow separately.

Thank you very much for your understanding.

Ocean Network Express Pte. Ltd.