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All Traders and Declaring Agents





COMMON TRADENET DECLARATION ERRORS ON ME DECLARATIONS



We have in Nov 1999 issued Customs circular No. 47/99 dated 18 Nov 99 highlighting the common TradeNet errors encountered in declarations under the Major Exporter Scheme (MES). Recently, we note that similar TradeNet errors for such declarations are on the rise. Such common errors pertain to:

A Non-MES Effective Importers

There are frequent rejections of ME declarations because the importers have not yet been registered with IRAS as ME traders. Declaring agents are reminded to verify the MES status of the importers before they declare such declarations.

b Declaring Agent Not Appointed By ME Traders

It is a requirement that a declaring agent has to be appointed by the ME trader and to be registered with IRAS before he is allowed to declare ME declarations on behalf of the trader. The Declaring agents are required to check with the traders whether they have been registered with IRAS before they commence declaring TradeNet permits for the ME trader.

c Incorrect Declaration of the Name of the ME Traders

Another common error is wrong declaration of the ME trader's name in the declaration. Please ensure that the name of the trader is correctly declared to avoid rejection of the declaration by the system.

- 2 Please note the content above to avoid needless rejections. If a declaration can be transmitted error-free and approved in the first instance, this will translate to cost savings for the trade.
- For further information, please contact the Customs Call Centre on telephone number 3552000 followed by (*)(0).

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