

The ACI (Advanced Cargo Information) mandatory for import shipments to Libya

Rules and Regulations

CMA CGM informs its customers that the Libyan Customs Authority has introduced a new electronic system called the **Advanced Cargo Information (ACI)** for the pre-registration of shipment details. **Starting November 1, 2024**, all containerized import shipments to Libya, except for personal effects (individual consignees), must comply with ACI regulations. This system aims to identify high-risk cargo prior to its arrival in Libya and to streamline the release process at Libyan ports.

Key Points of the New ACI System:

1. Implementation Date: Effective November 1, 2024, for all containerized cargo, excluding personal effects. Cargo gated in at the port of loading before this date is exempt from the ACI requirement.

2. Registration Requirement: Under the new system, Libyan Customs requires both exporters and importers to register on www.aci.customs.gov.ly to obtain an ACI number, validated at least 48 hours before cargo loading at the Port of Loading.

3. Responsibility for ACI Number:

- o Customers must provide the ACI number to the carrier via shipping instructions, and the carrier must include it on the Bill of Lading.

- o Customers are responsible for ensuring the ACI number's accuracy and are liable for any misdeclarations.

- o The customer is also responsible for uploading the Bill of Lading, which includes the ACI number, into the ACI system for review and approval.

To comply, CMA CGM will enforce a strict **"NO ACI Number - NO LOAD"** policy starting from the implementation date.

For assistance, please refer to the ACI Creation User Manual, available on the Libya Customs website at the following link: [ACI-Creation-English-Version.pdf](#)

For further information, feel free to contact your local CMA CGM agency.