



April 23, 2020



#### MEMBER ALERT

Hi @@first\_name@@,

We are trying to avoid jamming up your inbox, but there are a whole bunch of "bits and pieces" related to COVID-19, PPE, duty deferral, etc.

#### **CSMS Messages**

A slew of Cargo System Messaging Service (CSMS) notices came out in the past few days:

- [CSMS #42459926](#) - [CBP.gov Frequently Asked Questions for 90 Day Postponement of Payment for the Deposit of Certain Estimated Duties, Taxes, and Fees](#)
- [CSMS #42448725](#) - [Information for Filing Personal Protective Equipment and Medical Devices During COVID-19](#)
- [CSMS #42439611](#) - [CBP processes for the Federal Emergency Management Agency \(FEMA\) Exemptions from the Temporary Final Rule \(TFR\) Published in the Federal Register on April 10, 2020.](#)
- [CSMS #42421561](#) - [COVID-19 – Payment Instructions for 90-Day Postponement of Payment for the Deposit of Certain Estimated Duties, Taxes, and Fees.](#)

#### **CBP Recent Announcements**

- We continue to hear anecdotes of CBP (and sometimes FEMA) seizing shipments of PPE. According to CBP news release, product is seized for IPR violations - [Cincinnati CBP](#)

### [Seizes 2,000 Counterfeit 3M Masks.](#)

- An AAEL member has contacted CBP about the export of PPE with the following question:
  - QUESTION: "With regards to exporting PPE under an approved exemption... We understand we need to file the EEI, and then upload the letter in DIS with a reference to the ITN. Once uploaded, we get a message saying the document has been successfully received. The question from the trade is, what happens then? Do we need to wait for some sort of response saying the attestation was reviewed/approved and the shipment is good to go?"
  - CBP ANSWER: "Dispatch the truck. There will be no other message to you."
- [CBP E-Commerce Consumer Awareness for COVID-19 Safety](#)

### **FDA Update on PPE**

- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Update: Daily Roundup April 22, 2020](#)
- FDA has recently issued a number of new Emergency Use Authorizations and other Immediately In Effect guidance documents, and updated others. To reflect these changes, on Tuesday, FDA updated the Information for Filing Personal Protective Equipment and Medical Devices During COVID-19 under [CSMS Message #42448725](#)
- Because updates to existing documents and new document issuance will continue, we are housing the most recent information on fda.gov at our webpage: [Information for Filing Personal Protective Equipment and Medical Devices During COVID-19](#). We will no longer issue full updates via CSMS, however we will use CSMS to notify the import community when our webpage is updated, and we will continue to provide specific notification of updates to your organization.

### **Other Agencies and Organizations**

- [U.S. EPA calls on eight technology companies to address fraudulent COVID-19 disinfectants](#)
- [The United States and ASEAN are Partnering to Defeat COVID-19, Build Long-Term Resilience, and Support Economic Recovery](#)
- [WTO report finds growing number of export restrictions in response to COVID-19 crisis](#)
  - [Report: Export Prohibitions and Restrictions](#)

AAEL is still collecting information related to COVID-19:

- [PPE Survey](#)
- We will open [COVID-19 Survey \(Week 5\)](#) shortly

Please send us any issues of concern that you have related COVID-19.





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