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HS Code Information in the Shipping Instruction for cargo to/via Belgium

Dear customer,

In order to avoid delay of shipments at discharge port, it is required to provide complete and correct information for registration of data used throughout the documentation of **shipments imported into and trashed via all ports in Belgium.**

It is a mandatory requirement to submit a **valid WCO HS code*** in the Shipping Instruction (SI) for shipments to/via a **Belgian port.**

*WCO = World Customs Organization, 6 digit HS code required.

The HS code information is in addition to all other relevant information required to process the shipment.

Effective 15th of February 2020, Maersk will not process SI's for shipments to or via ports in Belgium without the submission of appropriate HS code for each item shipped.

These shipping instructions will be rejected, requesting the customer to resend the shipping instructions with complete information.

When you are submitting your Shipping Instructions online at www.maersk.com please input the **HS Code** in the provided field as illustrated below.

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| Cargo Description | <input type="text"/> |
| Marks and Numbers (optional) | <input type="text"/> |
| HS code | <input type="text"/> |

In case of multiple commodities HS codes for all the Commodities needs to be listed clearly in the cargo description field as well.

HS6 Code needs to be provided in "Cargo Description" field for other channels – EDI and Intra with Key word – **"HS Code"**

It is the Shippers responsibility to provide us accurate and timely information to ensure that import customs manifest submission in Belgium is done correctly, Your support will help to facilitate the dispatch of your shipment(s) as planned.

Best regards,
Customer Service
Maersk