Everything Chamber Members need to know about Electronic Certificates of Origin

What is a Certificate of Origin?

Import Compliance

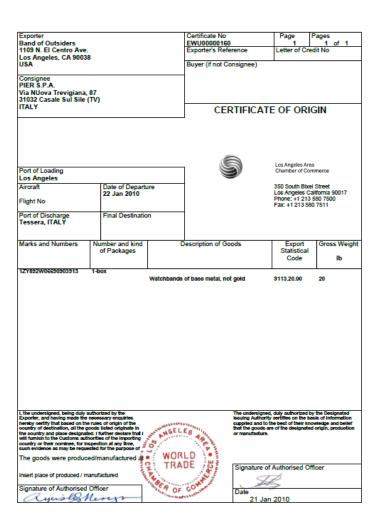
- Document required by Exporter for import compliance states "Origin" of all goods
- Importing country Customs calculates duty based on Origin
- Exporter legally responsible for correct declaration

Role of Chambers

 Chambers responsible for certification Geneva Convention 1923

Embassies & Consulates

 Exports to Middle East require legalization and payment of fees

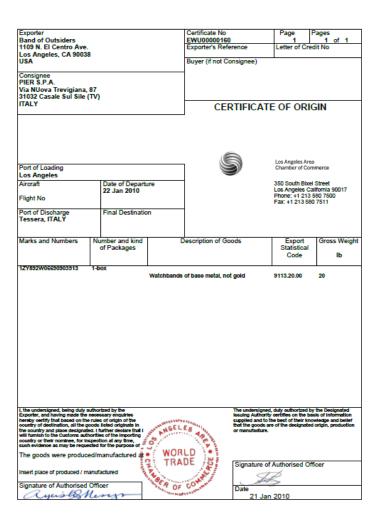




What is a Certificate of Origin?

Two Types

- Non Preferential
 - Standard Rules of Origin & Duty
- Preferential Free Trade Agreement
 - NAFTA US, Canada & Mexico
 - Zero or reduced Duty



Fast Facts: What are the ICC Rules?

Chamber of Commerce

- Appoints Authorized Officer
- Formal undertaking replaced Notary
- Chamber applies seal
- Service both members & non-members
- Know the rules and expect questions?



Fast Facts: What are the ICC Rules?

Exporter (member)

- Appoints Authorized Officer
- Signs Formal Undertaking
 - Bound by the Standard Rules
 - Indemnifies Chamber
 - Becomes responsible for declaration
 - Provides direct access to Customs
- Submits signed COO and Commercial Invoice
- Can appoint Freight Forwarder to submit on behalf of Exporter



Consequences of getting it wrong

Freight Forwarders/ Customs Clearance Agents

- Incorrect declarations are Redlined
- Risk of incurring legal liability
- Loss of license
- Penalties
- Delays/ Missed deadlines

Exporter/ importer

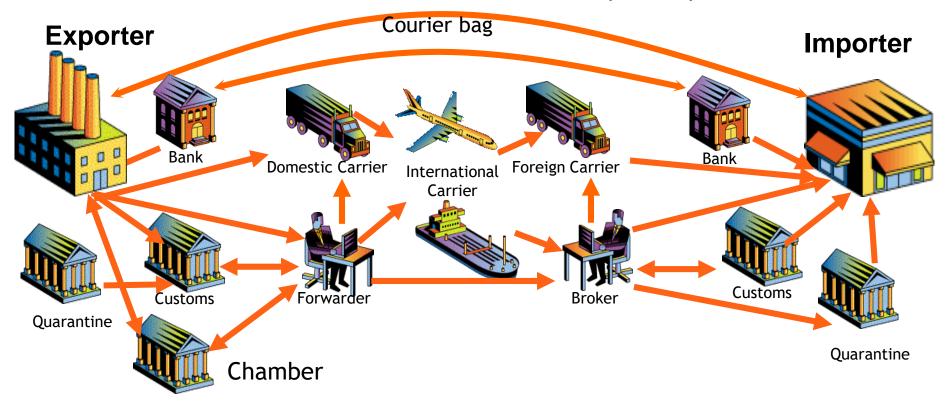
- Loss of export license
- Increased costs
- Delays/ Missed deadlines





COO - cost today?

- Manual COO cost to US exports \$500million per year
- Local/overseas courier costs \$60 to \$150 per shipment

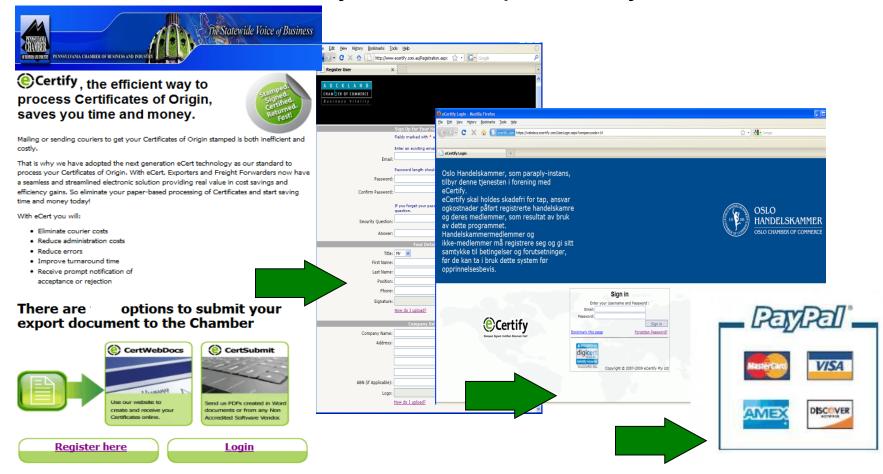


Cost Comparison per Certificate

Activity	Cost of manual process	Electronically Processing
Courier cost from Exporter to chamber	\$10	\$0
Courier cost from chamber to Exporter	\$10	%0
International courier bag to send COO to Importer	\$60	\$0
Extra time taken – 30 mins	\$15	\$0
Error rate 10% - Resubmission	\$5	\$1
Stamping Fee	\$25	\$25
Total	\$125	\$26

Internet changes everything!

Process COO's from your desktop 365 days 24 x 7



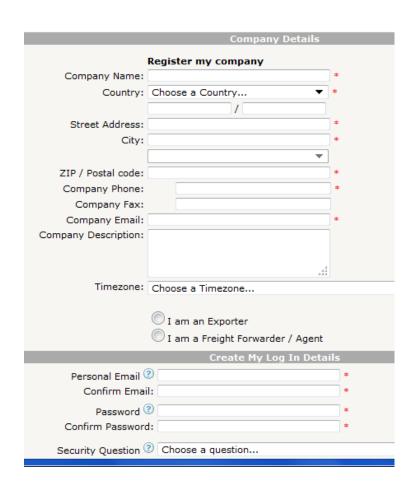
Who needs to Register?

1. Exporter

- Multiple registrations
- Single login
- process own COO

2. Freight Forwarder

- registers their Exporters
- processes for Exporters



How to process COO's electronically



There are three options to submit your export document to the Chamber





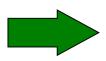


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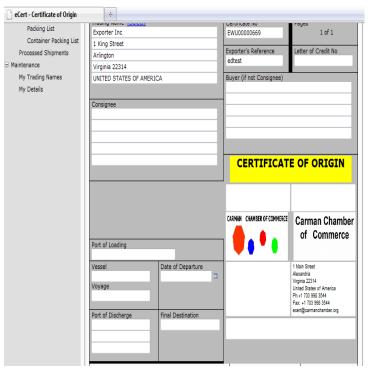
Option 1 - eCert WebDocs

Online ability to create, send and receive:

Certificate of Origin



- Commercial Invoice
- Packing list
- Other documents as PDF



How is it done electronically?

Option 2 - eCert Submit

Off line using WP

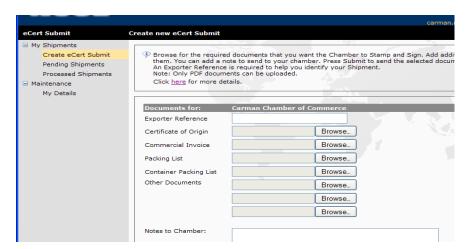


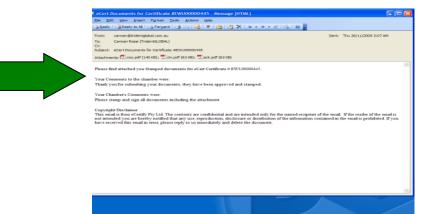
- Submit as PDF
- Returned by email



PDF attachment





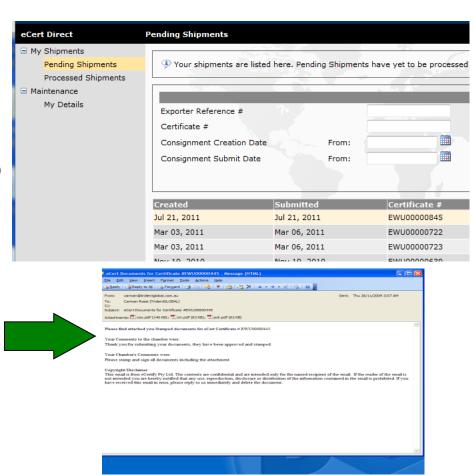




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Option 3 - eCert Direct

- Sends COO direct from Exporter or FF software to chamber
- Returned by email
- Vendors provide value added services





Manual versus electronic

Manual - COO	Electronic - eCO
9.00 to 5.00 maybe	anytime, anywhere
Seal manually applied	full electronic process
Hours	immediate notification
Days	faster certification
Invoice, check, cash	on line payment
Stacks of paper copies	no paper – GREEN!

Exporters and Freight Forwarders win ...

"eCertify has saved us a lot of time and money since we don't have to drive downtown."

Stephanie Larrowe, Owner - And Cake Inc.

"Due to its ease of use, eCertify is highly recommended to any company."

Michael McDaniel-Martinez, Manager - Johnson Motors Inc.

"It's simple. I can just fill it out, upload it, do other work and come back later to find an approved Certificate of Origin. It's much less time consuming, allowing me to ship more."

Brian DeWitt, Wholesale Customer Service - Andrew Christian Inc.



Members win ...

I was so pleased to find that my local Chamber could provide a certified Certificate of Origin, and that it was all done electronically! I had my certificate almost immediately, without ever leaving my desk. The customer service provided by the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce exceeded my expectations, as every step was thoroughly explained and easily understood. Great experience! I will use this service again.

Stacy Hayes, Export Manager
Faultless Starch/Bon Ami Company



Export Industry wins

- Eliminates courier costs
 - locally & overseas
- Saves time and money
- eCO arrives before goods
- Chamber value chain
 - membership
 - supports international trade
- Reduces cost to export
- Saves on paper <u>GREEN!</u>





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Questions?