

Philippines

The Bureau of Customs of Philippines (BOC) has released Customs Memorandum Order 6-2018, provides that provides that shipping lines and airlines should electronically submit the advance manifest to the Bureau's Advanced Manifest System (AMS) at least 24 hours prior to the vessel's arrival at any sea port OR 1 hour to any airport for flights originating within Asia (If flights originate from outside of Asia, the manifest has to be submitted within 4 hours prior to aircraft arrival) in the Philippines. This takes place with immediate effect.

Main adjustments are:

- The Inward Foreign Manifest (IFM) submission is applicable for all imports via both sea and air freight
- Bills of Lading data submitted must contain a detailed, complete and accurate goods description
- The Cargo Declaration and Inward Foreign Manifest (IFM) and Consolidated Cargo Manifest (CCM) require the following information to be included: kinds of packages (cartons, boxes, crates, etc.); gross weight in metric tons; measurement in cubic meters; Customs registry number, Carrier Identifier and IMO number of the vessel amongst other details.

BOC advisory in reference: Customs Memorandum Order (CMO) 06-2018: Submission of Advanced Cargo Manifest and other documents to the Bureau's Advanced Manifest System. [Full details here](#)