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EXPORT  
COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION  
(AHECC)**

**1999 EDITION**

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**REPLACEMENT PAGES OPERATIVE 1 JULY 2000**

The replacement pages for the AHECC consist of:

**A: A checklist showing the revision status of the AHECC pages**

**B: Replacement pages as follows:**

<b><u>SECTION:</u></b>	<b><u>PAGE REPLACED:</u></b>
1. INTRODUCTION AND EXPLANATORY NOTES	E/07, E/13, E/15, E/19
2. ABBREVIATIONS AND AHECC SUMMARY	A/07
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# **AUSTRALIAN HARMONIZED EXPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION (1999 EDITION)**

## **CHECKLIST AS AT 1 JULY 2000**

On 1 July 1999, the Australian Harmonized Export Commodity Classification (AHECC) was reissued incorporating all changes since the AHECC was first issued on 1 January 1988.

This checklist records the revision status of the odd-numbered pages of the AHECC which have been revised since 1 February 2000. The checklist should be used to ensure that the latest available AHECC page is included in your copy of the classification. Changes to the AHECC are indicated by an asterisk in the margin.

Against each page number below is shown the revision status of the 1999 reissue as at 1 July 2000 (eg 1 denotes 1st revision etc).

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### **INTRODUCTION AND EXPLANATORY NOTES**

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### **ABBREVIATIONS AND AHECC SUMMARY**

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING HEADER SCREEN OR COVER PAGE (FORM B957)**

Each of the following instructions relates to a field on the Export Entry. Copies of manual Export Entry forms are included at the end of this Section.

**Senders Reference**

Enter the reference assigned to the consignment. The reference **must be unique** to the particular consignment and cannot be used for any other consignment. To amend the declaration the reference **must be input exactly** the same as the original.

**Type of Exporter**

There are three recognised types of exporters. They are:

- (N)on-confirming
- (C)onfirming
- (M)ultiline

Confirming exporters and Multiline shippers must be registered as such with the Australian Customs Service to use those facilities.

**Owner/Agent**

Input "O" if the organisation lodging the entry is the owner of the goods to be exported.  
Input "A" if the organisation lodging the entry is acting as an agent on behalf of the owner.

**Excisable/Customable**

If the goods are subject to excise or are underbond goods, input a "Y". If "Y" is input, the Excise Establishment Code field must be completed.

**Excise Establishment Code**

This field should only be input if the goods are excisable or customable.  
Input the excise establishment or warehouse code from which the goods are to be removed.

**Owner's ABN Name**

If the party lodging an entry is not the owner e.g. an agent, input the owner's Australian Business Number (ABN) of the owner of the goods. The ABN must be prefixed with "ABN=" eg "ABN=1234567891234". If the owner has no ABN, the owner's name must be quoted. No owner name should be quoted if an ABN is supplied.

**Note:** This field is not required for exporters lodging their own export entries via the EXIT system.

**Owner Phone**

If the organisation lodging the entry is not the owner, enter the owner's phone no.

**Consignee Name**

The name of the person or organisation who takes final physical possession of the goods.

**Consignee City**

The city of the person or organisation who takes final physical possession of the goods.

### Country of Final Destination

The country of final destination of the goods at the time of shipment. The country codes listed in Section 2.5 should be used.

Do not enter the code for the country where the goods are to be discharged for subsequent shipment to the country of final destination. For example, goods exported to Kuwait via Singapore should appear as "KUWA" not "SING".

Exceptions are:

ship and aircraft stores - enter "SHIP". To be used for stores (including fuel) being loaded on foreign (ie other than Australian) registered ships and aircraft.

destination unknown - enter "UNKN". When details of the country of final destination are subsequently established, submit an amending Export Entry.

### Port/Airport of Loading

For shipments by **sea**, this is the Australian port at which the goods are loaded onto the ship transporting them out of Australia. For shipments by **air**, it is the airport at which the goods are loaded onto the aircraft transporting them out of Australia. See Section 2.4 for port of loading codes.

Goods **trans-shipped** within Australia prior to export should be shown as having been loaded at the port or airport where they were loaded onto an international carrier. eg goods trans-shipped from Hobart to Melbourne for subsequent export from Melbourne should be shown as having been loaded in Melbourne, even if the Export Entry is lodged in Hobart.

For exports by **post**, enter the Post Office from which they are despatched.

### Port/Airport of Discharge

The foreign port at which the ship/aircraft transporting the goods from Australia will discharge them. This may not necessarily be the final destination of the goods.

If **trans-shipment** is to occur, this will be the first port or airport of discharge. For example, for goods exported to Kuwait **via** Singapore, **the port of discharge** is "SINGAPORE" but the **country of final destination** is "KUWA".

For ships' or aircraft stores show "SHIP" as the port of discharge.

### Invoice Currency

The currency used on the invoice. See Section 2.3 of this Manual for the codes that should be used.

### Total F.O.B. Value

[NOTE: For a definition of Free-on-Board (F.O.B.), see instructions for **F.O.B. Value** later in this section.]

The sum of the values of all commodities as recorded on this Export Entry. It must be in the same currency as the FOB values entered on the Line Screens or Goods Page. Note that for users of the manual form all values must be in Australian dollars.

### Mode of Export

The three methods of export are:

- Ship = S
- Air = A
- Post = P

Where goods are not exported as consigned cargo (e.g. commercial goods carried in hand luggage or ship or aircraft stores), the mode of export should be specified as "P".



## NOTES FOR COMPLETING EXPORT ENTRY

**CUSTOMSREF.** Confirming exporters (see ITEM 2) lodging the eventual confirmation of an export entry are to quote the reference number the Australian Customs Service issued in this box on their initial Export Entry.

**ITEM 2.** Please show either an "N" for a normal export or a "C" for a confirming export. Confirming export refers only to particular consignments exported by persons who have been authorised under Sect. 114B of the Customs Act, to provide the details for certain Export Entries, after exportation.

**ITEM 3.** Customable/Excisable goods are goods which would be subject to Customs or Excise duty if they were to be delivered into home consumption rather than being exported. If the goods are customable/excisable goods, show "Y" in Item 3(a) and show the establishment code of the warehouse or excise premises from which the goods were removed in Item 3(b). If the goods are not customable/excisable goods, show "N" in item 3(a) and leave item 3(b) blank.

**ITEM 4.** Show Australian Business Number (ABN) of the common law owner of the goods (if that entity has an ABN) or the name of the common law owner (if no ABN).

Note: If an ABN is quoted, no owner name should be quoted and the ABN must be prefixed with "ABN=".

Example: "ABN=12345678901234"

**ITEM 6.** The name of the person or organisation who takes physical possession of the goods. This should be the principal, not a bank, freight forwarder, etc, acting on behalf of the principal.

**ITEM 7.** The city/town in which the person or organisation who takes final physical possession of the goods is located.

**ITEM 8 & 10.** Show the word "SHIP" **only** if goods are ships **or** aircraft stores covered by PART VII of the Customs Act or PART XIV of the Excise Act.

**ITEM 12.** FOB value is to be reported in Australian Dollars on the basis detailed in the Australian Harmonized Export Commodity Classification published by and available from the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

**ITEM 13.** The Mode of Export code to be shown in this Item are:

- sea freight S
- air cargo A
- postal **AND** any goods which are not required under Section 120 of the Customs Act to be shown on an outward manifest. P

**ITEM 14.** Please show the date in "dd-mm-yy" format. If any of the goods are not exported within 30 days of the intended date of export, any authority to export is revoked and the entry must be withdrawn or amended. Section 116 of the Customs Act refers.

**ITEM 15.** This item applies only if an Export Entry is being prepared for ships or aircraft stores covered by PART VII of the Customs Act or PART XIV of the Excise Act. Please show the Lloyds' No of the ship or the Registration No of the aircraft. If the ship's operator or agent is unable to provide the Lloyds No they should contact their local Australian Customs Service, Exports Office.

**ITEM 17.** Please show the total number of outside packages in which the goods are packed prior to being containerised/unitised for exportation. For bulk cargo F.C.L. cargo or live animals show "0".

Complete one of these Pages for each Commodity  
Approved Form - Customs Act Para114(2)(c)  
and 162AA(3)(a) - Goods Page B957(a)

Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Pages



If this form was completed by a business with fewer than 20 employees, please provide an estimate of the time taken to complete this form.

Hours  Minutes

Your Reference

1) Commodity Classification Code (Note overleaf)  2) Origin Code (Note overleaf)

3) Goods Description

4) Net Quantity (Note overleaf) a) Amount  b) Units

5) Gross Weight a) Amount  b) Units KG, T - Tonne

6) Container Type ("F"-FCL, "L"-LCL, "N"-NON)  7) Coal, Thermal Use Indicator (Note overleaf) (Y/N)

8) Assay Details (Note overleaf)

Ag	<input type="text"/>	Cu	<input type="text"/>	Sn	<input type="text"/>
Au	<input type="text"/>	Ni	<input type="text"/>	WO <sub>3</sub>	<input type="text"/>
Pt	<input type="text"/>	Pb	<input type="text"/>	Zn	<input type="text"/>

9) Container No. if applicable (extra spaces overleaf)

10) Seal No. if applicable (extra spaces overleaf)

11) Permit details (extra spaces and Note overleaf)

a) Permit Number

b) Encryption Code

12) Are goods subject to the following export concession arrangements (Y/N)?

a) TEXCO (By-law for Export)  b) Drawback  c) Motor Vehicle Plan

13) FOB value (AUD)

(See Note to Item 12 on Cover Page B957)

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Signature

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**NOTES FOR COMPLETING EXPORT ENTRY**

**ITEM 1.** AHECC stands for the Australian Harmonized Export Commodity Classification published by and available from the Australian Bureau of Statistics. The AHECC lists the commodity classification codes (Export Statistical Items) and certain other particulars required on Export Entry.

**ITEM 2.** The AHECC provides details of origin codes, and the rules for determining origin, for the purpose of this item.

**ITEM 4.** Each AHECC classification indicates whether, and if so on what basis, the quantity of the particular commodity must be reported.

**ITEM 7.** For exports of coal with AHECC classifications beginning 2701.1 please show whether (Y) or not (N) the coal is for thermal use.

**ITEM 8.** The AHECC indicates for certain minerals, ores, metals, concentrates etc., whether, and if so on what basis, an assay of the product must be reported.

**ITEM 11(a).** A wide range of goods is prohibited from exportation unless an export permit is obtained from the appropriate agency. Details of export restrictions are contained in various Commonwealth laws and are outlined in the Australian Customs Service Manual Volume 12. Further advice can be obtained from your legal adviser, Customs Agent, etc. or the Australian Customs Service.

**ITEM 11(b).** Some permit issuing agencies may advise you of an encryption code applicable to your permits. These codes should be reported at item 11(b) adjacent to the relevant permit numbers.

**ADDITIONAL SPACE.** If the additional space provided below is insufficient for items 9, 10 & 11, please supply Addendum Sheets which include any additional information along with your reference No, the Goods Page No to which the Addendum relates, your signature and the date.

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<p>Signature .....</p>									



## 1.10 CONTACT OFFICERS

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Query	Contact	Telephone	Fax
<b>Classification of goods:</b>			
- for exporters/agents	<u>Australian Customs Service</u> NSW: Sydney Exports	(02) 9317 7175	(02) 9317 7142
	VIC: Melbourne Exports	(03) 9244 8422	(03) 9244 8500
	QLD: Brisbane Exports	(07) 3835 3320	(07) 3835 3337
	WA: Fremantle Exports	(08) 9430 1469	(08) 9430 1391
	SA: Adelaide Exports	(08) 8447 9403	(08) 8447 9443
	TAS: Hobart Exports	(03) 6230 1270	(03) 6230 1261
	NT: Darwin Exports	(08) 8946 9851	(08) 8946 9953
	ACT: Tariff Classification Section	(02) 6275 6428	(02) 6275 6471
- for statistical users	Classification Manager International Trade Section Australian Bureau of Statistics	(02) 6252 5409	(02) 6252 7438
<b>Statistical Information:</b>	Information Consultancy Australian Bureau of Statistics	(02) 6252 5358	(02) 6252 7102
<b>Confidentiality:</b>	Confidentiality Manager, International Trade Section Australian Bureau of Statistics	(02) 6252 5409	(02) 6252 7438
<b>Changes to, or general queries on AHECC:</b>	Classification Manager International Trade Section Australian Bureau of Statistics	(02) 6252 5409	(02) 6252 7438
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<b>AHECC Subscriptions:</b>	National Subscription Services Australian Bureau of Statistics	1300 366 323	(03) 9615 7848
<b>EXIT Enquiries:</b>	Business Hours Australian Customs Service State Offices	As listed above	As listed above
	After Hours Australian Customs Service Help Desk	(02) 6275 6400	(02) 6275 6401
<b>ABS Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.abs.gov.au">http://www.abs.gov.au</a>		



## COUNTRIES OF FINAL DESTINATION AND ALPHABETIC CODES - continued

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Country of Final Destination(a)	Code	Areas Included and comments
Guinea-Bissau	BGUI	
Guyana	GUYA	
Haiti	HAIT	
Honduras	HDRS	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	HONG	Also called Hisiangkang and Xianggang. Includes the island of Lantao, the Kowloon Peninsula and the New Territories
Hungary	HGRY	
Iceland	ICEL	
India	INIA	Includes the Amindivis, Laccadives, Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Sikkim
Indonesia	INDO	Includes Java, Madura, Sumatra, Raiu Archipelago, Lingga Archipelago, Bangka, Biliton, Borneo (excluding Sarawak, Sabah and Brunei), Celebes, Malacca Islands, Bali, Lombok, Sumbawa, Flores, Timor, Irian Jaya and other territories
International waters	IWAS	Used for goods placed in the ocean outside any territorial waters or exclusive economic zone
Iran	PSIA	
Iraq	IRAQ	Excludes the Neutral Zone jointly administered by Saudi Arabia and Iraq
Ireland	IRE	
Israel	ISRA	
Italy	ITAL	Includes Sicily, Sardinia, Elba, Pantelleria, Lampedusa, Vatican City and the Republic of San Marino
Jamaica	JMCA	Includes Morant Cays and Pedro Cays
Japan	JAP	Includes Okinawa, the Bonin Islands and the islands of Amami Oshima
Johnston and Sand Islands	JSIS	United States Dependencies
Jordan	JORD	
Kazakhstan	KAZA	Formerly part of USSR
Kenya	KENY	
Kiribati	KIRI	A self governing British Territory including Phoenix Islands comprising Kanton and Enderbury under Anglo-American Condominium, Birnie, McKean, Rawaki (Phoenix), Orona (Hull), Manra (Sydney) and Nikumaroro (Gardner), Ocean Island, Gilbert Islands, Northern and Southern Line Islands (Fanning, Washington and Christmas)
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	KRDR	The Korean peninsula north of the 38 parallel
Korea, Republic of (South)	RKOR	The Korean peninsula south of the 38 parallel
Kuwait	KUWA	Includes the Neutral Zone jointly administered by Kuwait and Saudi Arabia
Kyrgyzstan	KYRG	Formerly part of USSR
Laos	LAOS	
Latvia	LATV	Formerly part of USSR
Lebanon	LEBA	
Lesotho	LESO	
Liberia	LIBE	
Libya	LB YA	
Lithuania	LITH	Formerly part of USSR
Macau (SAR of China)	MACA	Also known as Ao-men. Includes Macao, Taipa and Coloane (Portuguese Overseas Possession)
Madagascar	MASY	
Malawi	MLWI	
Malaysia	MLAY	Includes Peninsula Malaysia, Sabah and Sarawak

(a) Country of Final Destination is the country to which the goods are consigned and not necessarily the country where the goods are discharged.

**COUNTRIES OF FINAL DESTINATION AND ALPHABETIC CODES - continued**

<b>Country of Final Destination(a)</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Areas Included and comments</b>
Maldives	MLDV	Also known as the Maldiv Islands
Mali	MALI	
Malta	MLTA	Includes Gozo, Comino and islets Cominette and Filfla
Marianas, Northern	MRNS	A self-governing territory of the United States of America, with Commonwealth status
Marshall Islands	MARS	Self-governing Territory in free association with the United States of America
Mauritania	MRTN	
Mauritius	MAUS	Mauritius, Agalega, Cargados, Carajos (St. Brandon Group) and Rodrigues
Mexico	MEXI	
Micronesia	MICR	Includes the states of Yap, Truk, Pohnpei and Kosrae
Midway Islands	MIDW	United States Dependency
Moldova	MDOV	Formerly part of USSR
Mongolia	MNGL	Also known as Outer Mongolia. Does not include Inner Mongolia for which see China
Montserrat	MONT	Part of the Leeward Islands group until 1967
Morocco	MORO	Formerly French Morocco. Includes Tangier, Spanish Morocco and Ifni Territory and for statistical purposes the following places of Spanish sovereignty: Alhucemas, Chafarinas, Ceuta, Melilla and Penon de Velez
Mozambique	MOZA	
Myanmar	BURM	Formerly known as Burma
Namibia	NAMI	
Nauru	NAUR	
Nepal	NEPA	
Netherlands	NETH	
Netherlands Antilles	ANTI	Includes Curacao, Bonaire, Southern St. Martin, St Eustatius and Saba
New Caledonia	NCAL	Includes Huon Islands, Isle of Pines, Loyalty Islands, Belep Archipelago, Chesterfield Islands and Walpole
New Zealand	NZ	North and South Islands, Stewart Island, Chatham Islands, Kermadec Islands, Antipodes Islands, Auckland Islands, Bounty Island, Campbell Island and Snares Islands
Nicaragua	NICA	
Niger	NIGE	
Nigeria	NGRA	
Niue	NIUE	Self-governing territory of New Zealand
Norfolk Island	NORF	Australian territory
Norway	NWAY	Norway including Svalbard (Spitzberg, Bear Island and adjacent islands), Jan Mayen Island and Norwegian Antarctic Possessions
Oman	OMAN	
Pakistan	PAKI	
Palau	PALU	
Panama	PNMA	Includes the previous Panama Canal Zone
Papua New Guinea	PNG	Includes Bismark Archipelago, Louisiade Archipelago, Admiralty Islands, d'Entrecasteaux Islands, Northern Solomon Islands (Bougainville, Buka, etc.), Trobriand Islands, New Britain, New Ireland, Woodlark and associated islands
Paraguay	PRGY	
Peru	PERU	
Philippines	PHIL	
Pitcairn Island	PITC	British Colony. Includes Henderson, Ducie and Oeno
Poland	POLA	

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## AUSTRALIAN HARMONIZED EXPORT COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION

SECTION 15 - BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METAL - CONTINUED  
 CHAPTER 78 - LEAD AND ARTICLES THEREOF - CONTINUED

HEADING NO	HS CODE	EXPORT STATISTICAL ITEM	UNIT OF QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION
7801				UNWROUGHT LEAD:
	7801.10	7801.10.00	T	- Refined lead
	7801.9 (A) (B)			- Other:
*	7801.91	7801.91.00	T	-- Containing by weight antimony as the principal other element
	7801.99	7801.99.00(C)	T	-- Other
7802	7802.00	7802.00.00	KG	LEAD WASTE AND SCRAP
7803	7803.00	7803.00.00	KG	LEAD BARS, RODS, PROFILES AND WIRE
7804				LEAD PLATES, SHEETS, STRIP AND FOIL; LEAD POWDERS AND FLAKES:
	7804.1			- Plates, sheets, strip and foil:
	7804.11	7804.11.00	KG	-- Sheets, strip and foil of a thickness (excluding any backing) not exceeding 0.2mm
	7804.19	7804.19.00	KG	-- Other
	7804.20	7804.20.00	KG	- Powders and flakes
7805	7805.00	7805.00.00	KG	LEAD TUBES, PIPES AND TUBE OR PIPE FITTINGS (FOR EXAMPLE, COUPLINGS, ELBOWS, SLEEVES)
7806	7806.00	7806.00.00	NR	OTHER ARTICLES OF LEAD

NOTE: ENTRIES OR RETURNS ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR GOODS LESS THAN \$500. SEE PART 1 FOR DETAILS OF GOODS EXEMPT FROM ENTRY.

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(A) For definition of unrefined lead refer to 'Additional Note' included with Chapter Notes at the front of this Chapter.  
 (B) Alloy lead is taken to apply to lead products in which the proportion by weight of alloying element is more than 1%.  
 (C) Assay of metallic content required (include gold and silver where appropriate). A 'dry' weighting basis must be used.

