



Safmarine Announcement of Enforced Compliance with AES Regulation

Client Advisory
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To Our Valued Customer,

The U.S. Customs and Border Protection in partnership with the Bureau of Census officially released the finalized documentation announcing the mitigation guidelines for AES enforcement. With the release of these guidelines, the bureau will require that all shippers and carriers comply with all AES regulations effective **February 1, 2009**.

The rule, with original effective date of October 1, 2008, was not initially enforced as the mitigation guidelines had not been released. With the release of the guidelines, non-compliance with AES regulations will result in the potential application of penalties pursuant to the new guidelines. Safmarine will not load non-compliant cargo on any vessel starting February 1.

To read the full official CBP legal bulletin, go to the below link:

http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/legal/bulletins_decisions/bulletins_2009/vol43_01022009_no2/43genno2.ctt/43genno2.pdf

For an excerpt of this bulletin that contains only this AES penalty mitigation guideline announcement (with relevant provisions for carriers highlighted in yellow), navigate to:

[http://ebook.safmarine.com/clams/lang_en.nsf/0/c4b42e0ae7498c3cc1257539002b5d25/\\$file/AES_Penalty_Mitigation_Guidelines.pdf?openelement](http://ebook.safmarine.com/clams/lang_en.nsf/0/c4b42e0ae7498c3cc1257539002b5d25/$file/AES_Penalty_Mitigation_Guidelines.pdf?openelement)

To ensure your compliance with the mandatory AES rule requirements for the February 1, 2009 deadline the following is a summary of the AES policies:

- The Safmarine AES documentation cutoff is **12 hours** prior to port cut-off.
- After February 1 cargo missing AES information will not be loaded by Safmarine on any vessel.
- The AES regulation states that one of the following pieces of information is required from shippers exporting from the U.S.:
 - AES Proof of Filing Citation (ITN number)
 - AES Post Departure Citation



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- The Exemption or Exclusion Legend
 - ****Most customers will be subject to the ITN requirement*
- Safmarine will accept AES information from the USPPI or designated agent through the following channels:
 1. By navigating to **<http://www.safmarine.com/unitedstates>** and clicking on the button “Submit your AES info” to electronically submit.
 2. By emailing **AEISSAF@america.safmarine.com**, submitted with the “shipment number & AES number” in the subject line using the following format, 000000000 / 000000000-000000.
 3. On the Shipping Instruction submitted via existing channels.
- *** *AES information cannot be submitted over the phone or fax.*
- Safmarine will not implement a No Doc/No Load policy with AES.
- In order for cargo to load the AES information must be received by the AES documentation deadline. Cargo and AES documentation cut-offs for all exports from the U.S. will be communicated via booking confirmations.

Should you have questions or require any assistance with this information, please contact your Safmarine Customer Resource Center at 1-866-866-4SAF.

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