Maritime & Coastguard Agency

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Advice Note

Distribution: UK Ports, Shipping Agents, Masters calling at UK Ports and Vessel Owner/Operators.

CERS WORKBOOK VERSION 1.1.4 No 3 of 2017

This note is issued to advise industry that Version 1.1.4 of the CERS Workbook will no longer be compatible with CERS with effect from 19 July 2017. CERS users should ensure they are using Version 1.2.2 to report all arrivals at UK ports.

Ports using the Web User Interface (Web UI) will receive an alert from the Web UI if they attempt to upload a 1.1.4 Workbook from this date.

Those ports using a Port Community and Other Service Providers (PCAOS) connection will receive an ErrorCode 212 message via their CERS Error Service if they attempt to submit a 1.1.4 Workbook with a voyage notification from this date.

The ErrorCode message may be relayed by email to the Agent handling the arrival if the Port has configured their CERS Error Service to do so.

Arrival notifications using 1.1.4 Workbooks must be re-submitted on 1.2.2 Workbooks from 19 July 2017. Failure to do so will be treated as a failure to notify.

Guidance on identifying Version 1.1.4 Workbooks and a full description of the alert and ErrorCode is available in the Annex.

CERSAN 1 of 2017 is withdrawn.

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Annex to CERSAN No 3 of 2017

Workbook Version Control

Version information for a CERS Workbook is available on the summary tab of the Workbook in the Document Template Information panel.

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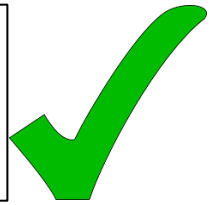

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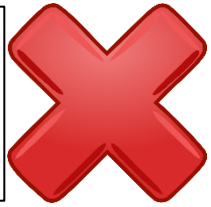

CERS Alert – Web UI Users

Failed to upload voyage excel
The provided workbook is using a version (1.1.4) of the template which is no longer compatible with CERS. Please use the latest available version.

CERS ErrorCode – Ports with PCAOS Connections

ErrorCode="212" StatusCode="SemanticError" StatusMessage="Version 1.1.4 of embedded Excel is outdated and will not be processed. Please update your spreadsheet."