

# UCC Change Management Programme for AIS

Customs Consultative Committee  
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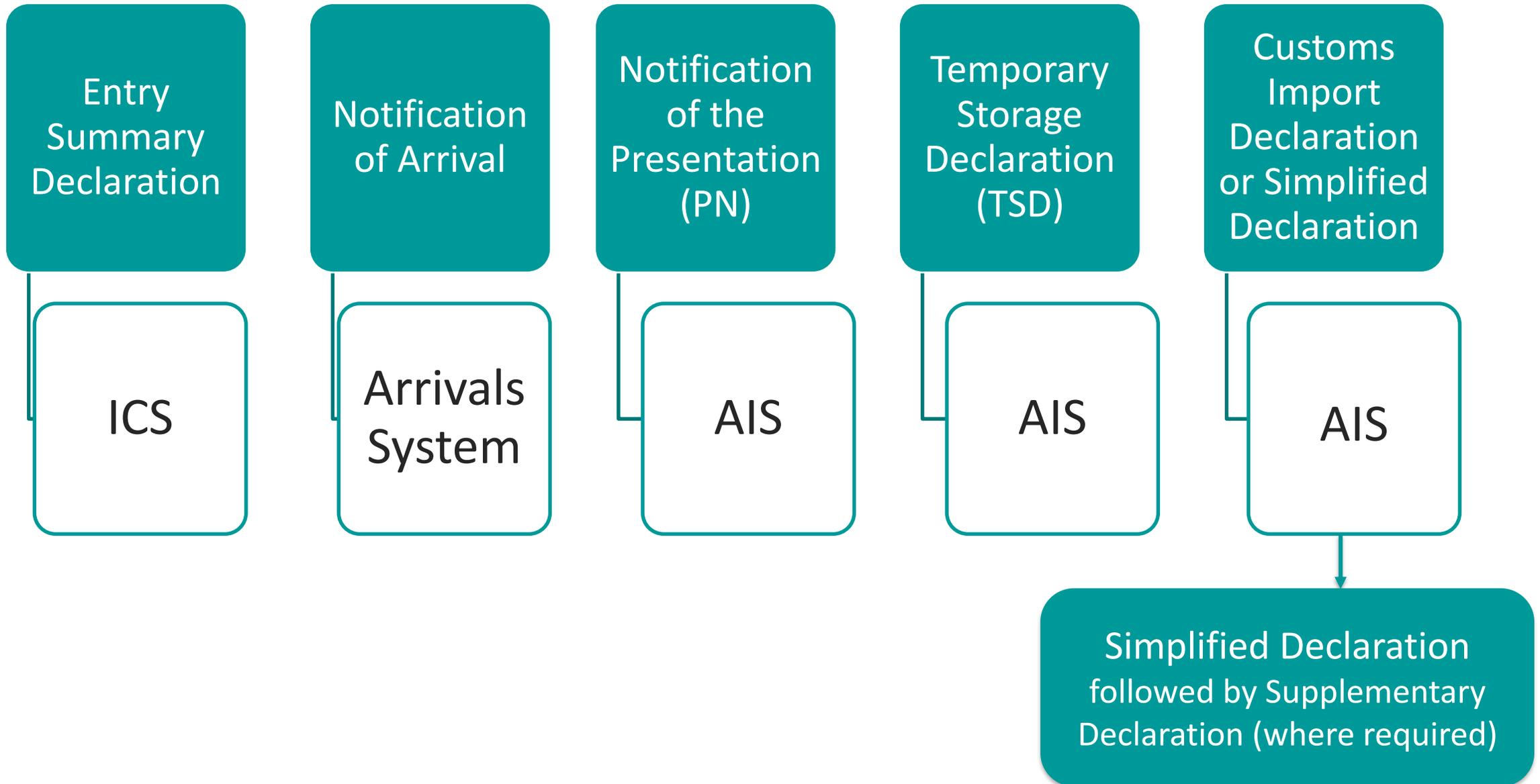
## Overview

- Union Customs Code (UCC)
- EU IT Programme
- Automated Import System (AIS)
- How to Prepare for AIS
- Revenue Supports

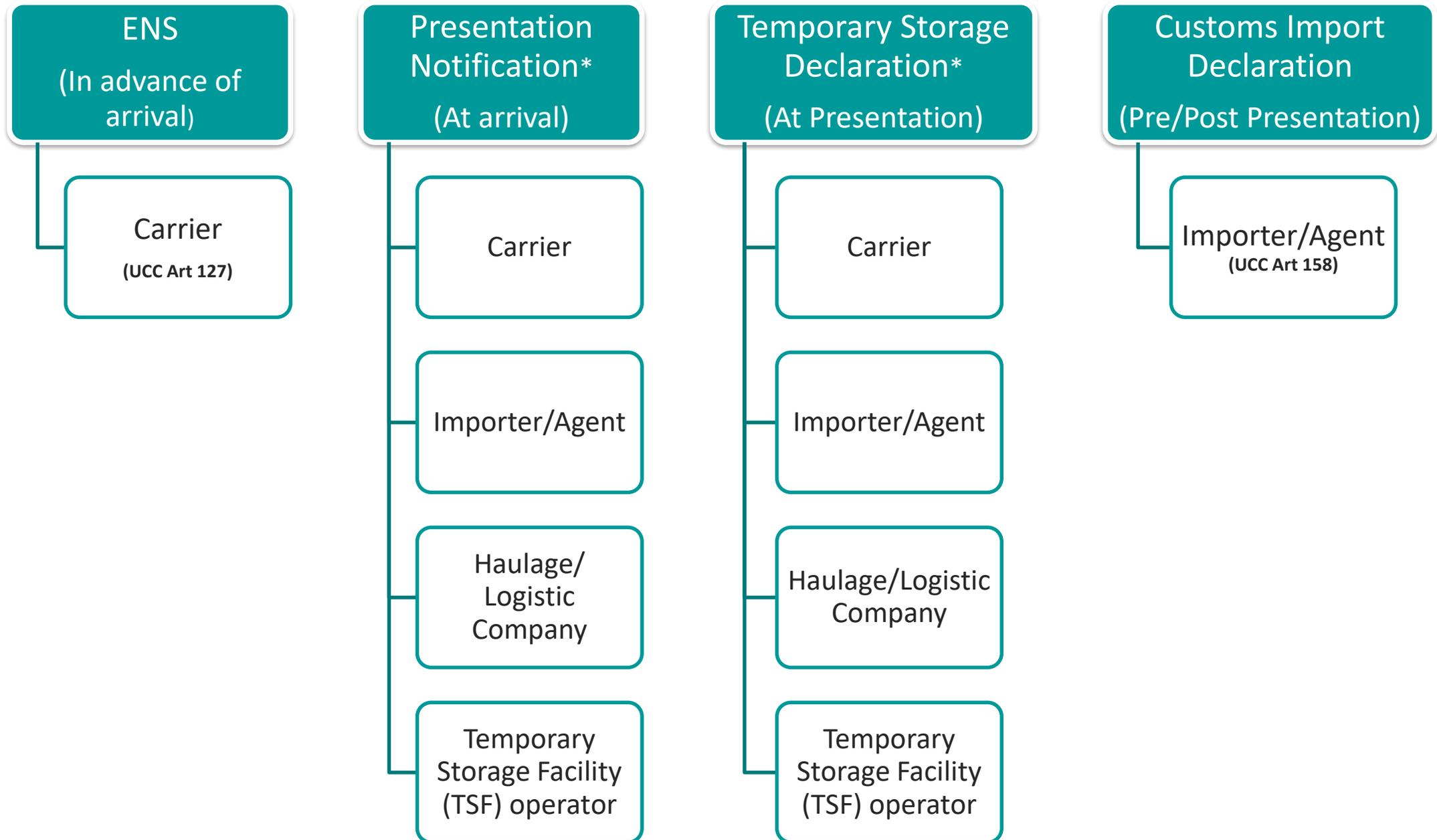
# Union Customs Code (UCC)

- Effective from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016
- Legal framework for customs rules and procedures
- Binding in all MS
- Movement towards a paperless environment
- Introduction of modern IT systems – allowing for the implementation of procedures that are fully compliant with UCC

# UCC - Pentalogy of Import Formalities



# Knowing Your Role in the Import Entry Process



\*The Presentation notification & Temporary Storage Declaration can be lodged by any of the above stakeholders (UCC ART 139)

# New Suite of Electronic Customs Systems

Automated Import System [AIS] – Early November 2020



e-Commerce / VAT changes - January 2021



ICS2 – Safety and Security for Postal and Express by Air – March 2021



Automated Export System (AES) – 2023



New Computerised Transit System (NCTS) - 2023

# Automated Imported System (AIS)

- AIS introduces and implements UCC procedures and rules
- AIS replaces the existing AEP system for Imports
- AIS changes the structure and content of the Import declaration
- AIS will cater for the following message declarations;
  - Pre-lodged Import declaration
  - Presentation Notification (PN)
  - Temporary Storage Declaration (TSD)
  - Import Declaration
  - Simplified Import Declaration
  - Supplementary Import Declaration
  - Electronic Transport Document.

# AIS - What will change?

- Import SAD replaced by a new declaration - Content and structure changes
- Import eManifest replaced by new declaration types -Presentation Notification/Temporary Storage Declaration
- Data elements unified across all declarations
- New Features include:
  - Refunds
  - Simplified Declaration
  - Bill Of Discharge (BOD)
  - Trader Portal for traders
  - Low Value Consignment reduced data set (Jan 2021)

# AIS Timetable

Engagement with Software providers October 2019



Specifications to Software Houses 2019



Trader Specifications and new technical details available on website 2019



Preliminary system in test with Revenue



Stable Version due in February 2020



Revenue Testing –Nov 2019 to Nov 2020



Trader Testing (PIT2) –May 2020 to Nov 2020



Go-live is November 2020

# How to Prepare for AIS

- Time to get ready is NOW
- Become familiar with the changes (procedural and technical)
- Trade will need to do at least one of the following:
  - Update Your Customs Software ;
  - Contact external Systems Provider; or
  - Contact Your Agent

It will not be possible to legally import goods into Ireland from outside the EU from November 2020 without using AIS

# Changes for the Different Supply Chain Stakeholders

- **AIR & Sea Carrier**

- ENS where applicable into ICS
- PN & TSD lodged into AIS replacing eManifest
- Supply chain communication

- **Express Carrier**

- ENS where applicable into ICS
- PN & TSD lodged into AIS replacing eManifest
- Import Customs Declaration into AIS replacing Import SAD
- Simplified Import Declaration into AIS replacing the use of the manifest declaration
- Supplementary Import Declaration into AIS
- Electronic Transport Document into AIS

# Changes for the Different Supply Chain Stakeholders

- **Temporary Storage Operator**
  - PN & TSD lodged into AIS
  - Supply chain communication
- **Customs Agent**
  - Submission of all entry declarations into AIS
  - Supply chain communication
  - Applying for refunds – application required
- **Importer**
  - Import Declaration lodged into AIS
  - Supply chain communication
  - Applying for refunds – application required

## Benefits of AIS

- Implementation of Import procedures - fully compliant with UCC.
- Utilises harmonised dataset messages throughout the Union
- Interactions will take place through one system
- Inbuilt Risk Management module
- Manage the substantial increase in Import declarations post Brexit.
- Improved customs declaration processing

# Trader Support

## IT Support

- Software Providers received comprehensive information
- Software Forum launching in Feb 2020
- Technical guides on website
- eCustoms email address [UCCITDev@revenue.ie](mailto:UCCITDev@revenue.ie)

## Policy Support

- Procedures and Policies
- Updated Trader guides
- NPOB email [importpolicy@revenue.ie](mailto:importpolicy@revenue.ie)

## Trader Engagement

- Website
- Letters
- CCC
- One to one meetings
- Seminars

**Thank You**

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