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Communication on the humanitarian aid dispatch rules for Ukraine

In face of the war in Ukraine, please find information on the humanitarian aid dispatch rules out of the EU customs territory.

To ensure the smooth handling of humanitarian transports, humanitarian aid coordinators are appointed in each regional revenue administration chamber. These contact persons coordinate the activities of the Customs to place of goods under the export procedure at local customs offices and to notify convoys at the border customs office through which it leaves Poland.

Entities, organisations and institutions organising and dispatching humanitarian convoys to Ukraine should primarily cooperate with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs within the Action #PomagamUkrainie. The website https://pomagamukrainie.gov.pl helps to coordinate assistance. A registration form is available on the website for anyone interested in assistance.

You may also contact the nearest customs office where you will be informed of the customs formalities.

■ National network of Customs offices

As a general rule in road transport the export procedure is not carried out at the border customs office but at internal ones — a nationwide network of Customs offices is available here.

■ What to do

First of all, when contacting the customs office, the list of goods to be placed under the humanitarian convoy should be provided. This will allow the National Revenue Administration (KAS) to provide feedback on whether these goods can be the subject of humanitarian aid. It will also make it possible to determine the list of documents to be presented to the Customs.

Goods dispatched as humanitarian aid must be placed under the export procedure in the AES/ECS2 system. It is therefore necessary to submit the electronic customs declaration to that system in the form of an XML file.

The exported goods are not subject to duty or tax.

■ Our support

e-mail address at the Ministry of Finance pomagam.ukrainie@mf.gov.pl. Please send us a message if you have questions or doubts about the customs clearance of assistance for Ukraine.

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