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About Brokers

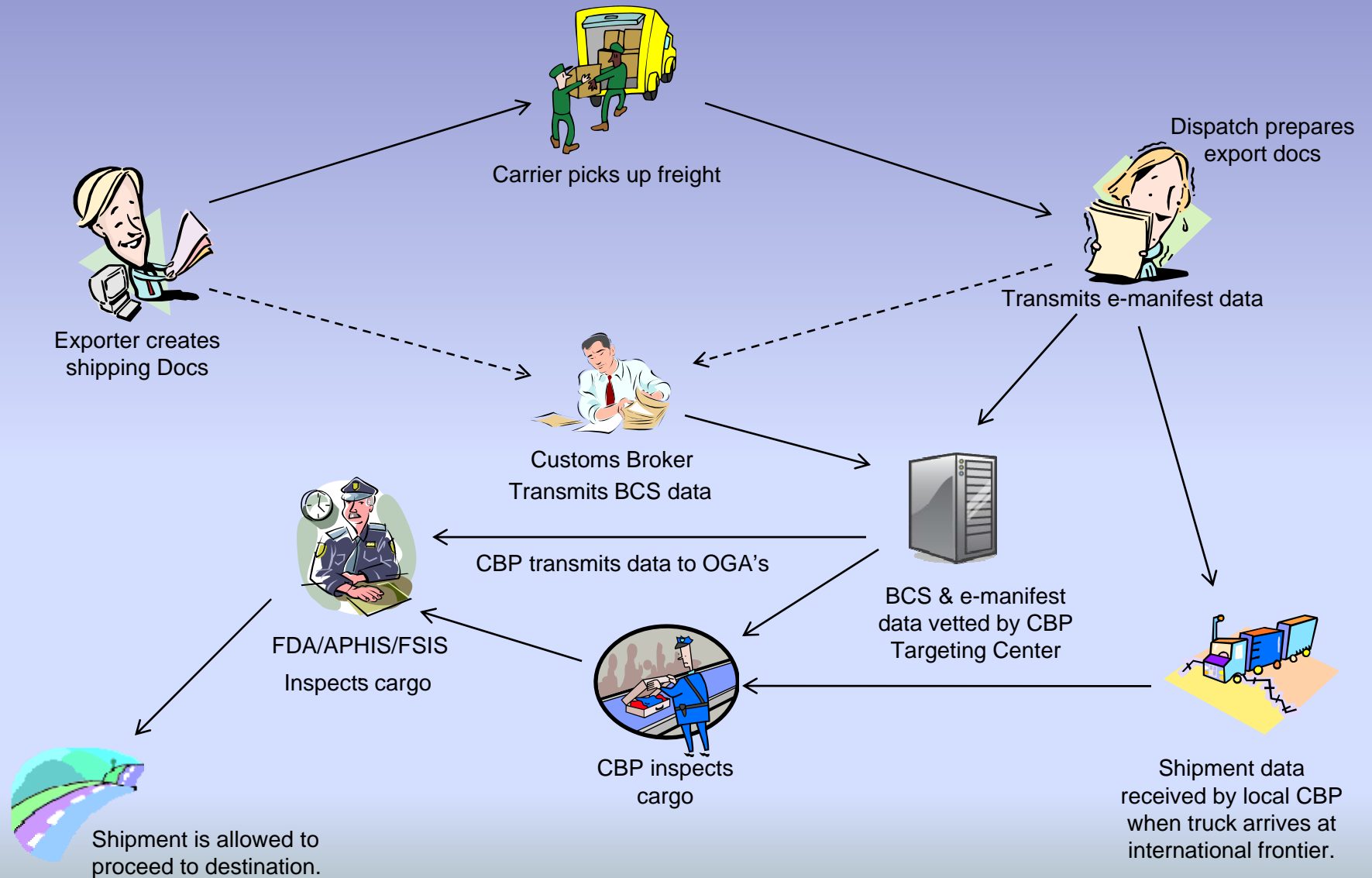


Merchandise arriving in the United States by commercial carrier must be entered by the owner, purchaser, his or her authorized regular employee, or by the licensed customs broker designated by the owner, purchaser, or consignee.

Customs brokers are the only persons who are authorized by the tariff laws of the United States to act as agents for importers in the transaction of their customs business. Customs brokers are private individuals or firms licensed by CBP to prepare and file the necessary customs entries, arrange for the payment of duties found due, take steps to effect the release of the goods in CBP custody, and otherwise represent their principals in customs matters.

When a customs broker makes entry, a CBP power of attorney is made in the name of the customs broker. This power of attorney is given by the person or firm for whom the customs broker is acting as agent.

Getting there...



...a gross simplification

Food Safety Modernization Act of 2011



“I thank the President and members of Congress for recognizing that the burden that foodborne illness places on the American people is too great, and for taking this action.”

*Margaret A. Hamburg, M.D.,
Commissioner of Food and Drugs*

Public Health Information System



- Public Health Information System a.k.a. PHIS
- Implementation
- When
- ITDS/ACE

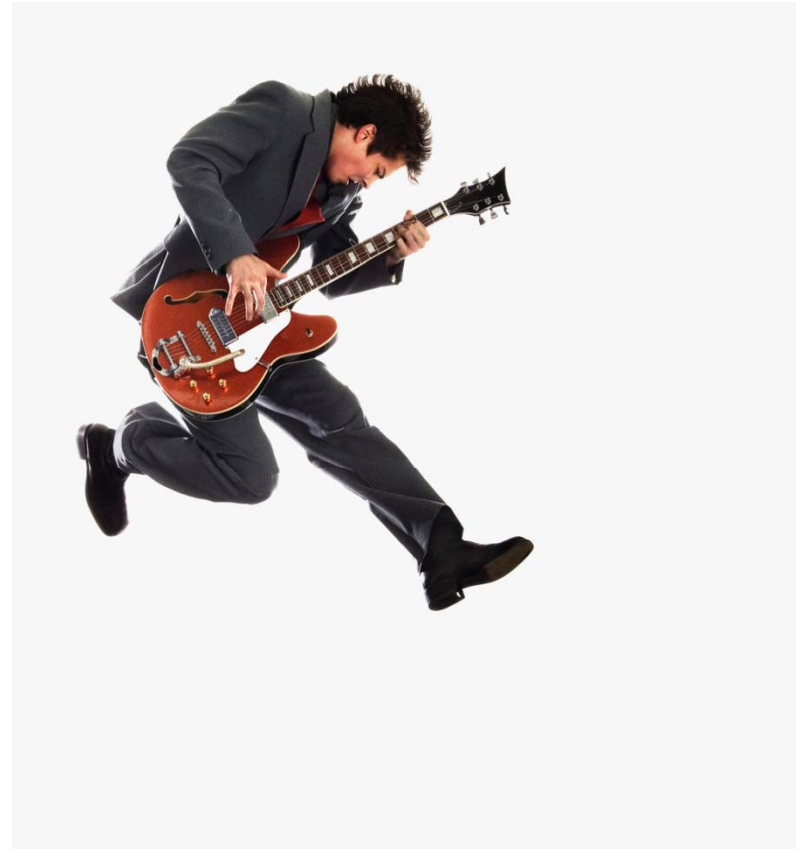
“Bonds”

- Single Entry Bonds
- Continuous Bonds
- TIB's (Temporary Import Bond)
- IT, T&E, IE's



Don't be a rock star!

- Do your homework before you ship.
- Provide clear and accurate documents.
- Ensure all data needed to enter your goods is provided prior to arrival at the border.
- Don't guess.
- Engage your service provider.



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