What is Zephyr?



Hurricane's Zephyr API is a game-changer in data enhancement. It allows bulk clearance facilities to check the accuracy of consignment data and receive additional pertinent or missing information, all under a single function – Quick Check.

What does it do?

- Real-time checking of the match between an HS6 code and/ or Product Description on a consignment by consignment basis
- Identification of invalid descriptions identifying a mismatch between an HS6 code and a Product Description and / or invalid Product Description
- Return a status code for each consignment
- Provision of the most likely HS6 code, Product Description, Export and Import codes

How does it work?

Zephyr enables the efficient checking and completion of cross-border shipment preadvices validating and assigning data including 8- and 10-digit export and import codes, HS6 codes and product descriptions.

It provides the necessary customs clearance information allowing the bulk of your items to flow smoothly.

Why does it matter?

Regulation changes are making having the right data more important than ever. They include the removal of the VAT exemption on

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low value items, the introduction of the Import One Stop Shop (IOSS) and Import Control System 2 (ICS) and the US STOP Act.

Key Features

- Processes over 700 million requests per day
- Has an accuracy rate of over 85%
- Achieves average response times of 100 milliseconds
- Multi-lingual

Key Benefits

- Allows customers to ensure consignments have the right data to allow for cross-border trade
- Reduces the number of parcels seized or returned by importing customs
- Improves transit times
- Avoids extra costs for retailer/sender when items are returned
- Improves customer experience and retention rates



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