

FONASBA MEMBERSHIP ENQUIRY



ENQUIRY RESPONSE FORM

ORIGINATING ASSOCIATION:	APAMA Algeria
ENQUIRY DETAILS:	<p><i>In order to recognise the actions and procedures in use worldwide when customs go on board ship, we would like to obtain details of those they undertake in your country. Do they:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. Undertake normal customs actions such as document control (crew list, crew effects, cash on board, drugs, cargo manifest currency) sealing the bond store etc.</i> <i>Or....</i> <i>2. Undertake other duties, for example on behalf of other authorities or third parties. If so, please provide details.</i>
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CLOSING DATE FOR REPLIES:	22nd February 2019

RESPONDING ASSOCIATION COMMENTS: (Please include any attachments)

Argentina	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In Argentina Customs officers comply with the usual normal actions as described in Nbr. 1 2. However with regards to Import or Export cargo they could act as delegate of certain authorities (Checking that cabotage rules are complied, the cargo exported has all the certificates issued by other authorities etc). With the exception of cabotage rules, most controls of other agencies are performed on cargo.
Brazil	<p>Customs officers do not board the vessel for regular clearance.</p> <p>All procedures are done within Paperless Port System.</p>
Croatia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirm, standard actions taken: documents control, bonded store control etc. 2. None.
Cyprus	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For the Free Pratique of vessels the customs go on board the ship checking only the available Master's bonded valuable goods. 2. For any other purposes all the information and/or documents required are lodged in advance by Shipping Agents with the Port Community System (PCS) whereby all interested Authorities and Operators are duly informed including Customs Authorities.

Denmark	<p>1. The Customs Authorities does random on-board inspections. Furthermore, they check data provided to the Customs Systems and to National Single Window / SafeSeaNet V4.</p> <p>In relation to cargo the Customs systems have an algorithm to take out cargo for random inspection. For the data submitted to SafeSeaNet V4, Customs may compare and check e.g. bonded stores and crew effects.</p> <p>2. The Customs Authorities focus on their area of responsibility, i.e. in case of discrepancy with the Crew List it would be Immigration Authorities and the Police which would deal with it.</p>
Dubai	The customs authorities do not board the vessel usually. The crew list, crew effects are all handled by Immigration. The ship agent carries all the documents and submits it to the Immigration. The EHS (Environment, Health and safety) department boards and checks the vessel.
France	As far as France is concerned, only item 1 applies.
Hungary	<p>1. Yes, they do the normal custom's procedure only.</p> <p>2. No.</p>
India	<p>1. Customs in India normally undertakes normal actions such as document control & checking of above said documents. Sometimes they also questions about authenticity of information to verify documents and seal the dutiable items in bond store.</p> <p>2. Not applicable</p>
Iran	Customs in Iran undertake those normal actions as mentioned in this survey.
Israel	In Israel the Customs Authority do only the a/m described Jobs. The other Authorities who come on board are the Immigration (always) and Health (Randomly) Authorities.
Italy	In Italy when customs go on board ship undertake normal customs actions. Customs don't undertake other duties.
Japan	<p>1 . As customs never go on board for document control etc. Instead every agents undertake them through NACS as system.</p> <p>2. No.</p>
Jordan	Custom in Jordan undertake only normal custom action as in 1.
Kenya	<p>Please see Lists of Documents requested by various Authorities while boarding Ships at MBA recently KEPHIS will also be incorporated.</p> <p>Customs at Kenya</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * They board after Quarantine and yellow Flag has been brought down * They board on their own * They check crews and their personal effects as per declarations and physical onboard *They check the bonded stores and seals when Vessel at berth to avert local sales <p>If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact us.</p>

Lebanon	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Yes 2. No
Malta	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We hereby confirm that in Malta, the customs authorities who go on board ships Undertake normal customs actions such as document control (crew list, crew effects, cash on board, drugs, cargo manifest currency) sealing the bond store etc. 2. We hereby also confirm that in Malta, the customs authorities who go on board ships do not undertake other duties, for example on behalf of other authorities or third parties.
Mexico	The Mexican custom undertake only normal customs actions, each authority like Public Health, immigration undertake their own duties when they go on board ship.
Morocco	<p>The Customs board the vessels on berthing to undertake the normal usual actions as enumerated under para no 1.</p> <p>They are not attending on behalf of other authorities nor third parties.</p> <p>At the new Hub port "Tangier Med" which is in free zone, the Customs are not boarding the vessels.</p>
Mozambique	In Mozambique option 1 applies.
Netherlands	<p>In case Customs is going on board of the vessel, they just do the 'normal' Customs actions so no other parties involved.</p> <p>In case of container checks (scanning and / or physical checks), multiple authorities are involved. In such a case Customs is also checking on behalf of the Veterinary Inspections (NVWA) and Dangerous Goods Inspections (ILT).</p>
Portugal	First would like to say that nowadays normally customs officers do not go on board. Everything is electronic transmitted. They only go on board if specially requested or on a random basis to prevent frauds, etc.
Russia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Yes, they undertake normal customs actions as listed in the parentheses. 2. No.
Slovenia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Yes 2. No
South Africa	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The above checks are also carried out in South African ports when Customs board the vessel on arrival. They also have a rummage team with specially trained dogs who board the vessel to sniff out drugs and other such substances.
Spain	Only normal customs duties & workflow. Nothing on behalf of other parties or bodies.
Sweden	<p>We hardly ever see the customs onboard these days. Once in a decade they do a sudden inspection, but that's all. And even that one is usually done by Coast Gard, on behalf of the Customs.</p> <p>Its only MSW now.</p>

Turkey	<p>1. Turkey entered to a new internet portal in June 2018 called “single window” which is seen by Immigration officers, sanitary authorities and Custom officers. At the moment we are still in orientation period but in future aiming to suppress “paper work”. Nowadays, when a vessel arrives we are entering certificates to “single window” portal and when vessel alongside provide officers about crew list, crew effect, cargo manifest, store list etc. During arrival and departure clearance officers sometimes goes on board which they decide to come or not. If there is any denunciation for a vessel “Black Custom”, officers come on board for inspect the vessel.</p> <p>2. Before vessel’s arrival we have to inform all authorities like harbour master, custom, immigration and sanitary officers and other than these port, terminal as 3rd parties. First we have to take the “berthing permission” from harbour master with requested documents and provide this letter to all parties that vessel “has permission to berth” During vessel’s arrival and departure custom, immigration, sanitary officers come on board for their documentation purposes if they are not come on board we can provide requested documents to them. For owners’ requests like crew change, bunker supply, provision supply, we are also arranging the connection between owner and 3rd parties.</p>
UK	<p>UK Customs do not routinely visit vessels. All reports and clearance functions are via an online portal (single window). Attendance on board vessels is carried out based on intelligence and/or random spot checks.</p> <p>UK Customs only undertake duties of customs and immigration officers - they do not undertake any duties on behalf of other parties.</p>
Ukraine	<p>Customs in Ukraine undertake normal customs actions such as document control (crew list, crew effects, cash on board, drugs, cargo manifest currency) sealing the bond store etc.</p>
Uruguay	<p>In Uruguay, for the operation to be carried out more expeditiously, the customs procedures request the information of manifests in advance. Customs officers on board ship carry out the usual control tasks (crew lists, crew effects, ranch lists, sealing the bond store, and others).</p>
USA	<p>US Customs and Border Protection perform services listed in item 1 above when they board the vessel.</p>