

The Best Practices of the Implementation of AEO Programme in China



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Overview

Jun 2005

April 2008

Dec 2014

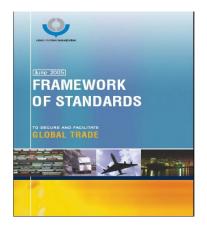
May 2018

Nov 2021

Letter of Intent of SAFE

AEO Program (MCME) launched. AEO program ("IMEC M") launched AEO program ("MECM") launched

Current AEO program ("MCM") launched











AEO legislation system

Measures for Credit
Management of Enterprise
Registered and Filed with
the General Administration
of Customs



AEO Validation Criteria

Measures for AEO Validator

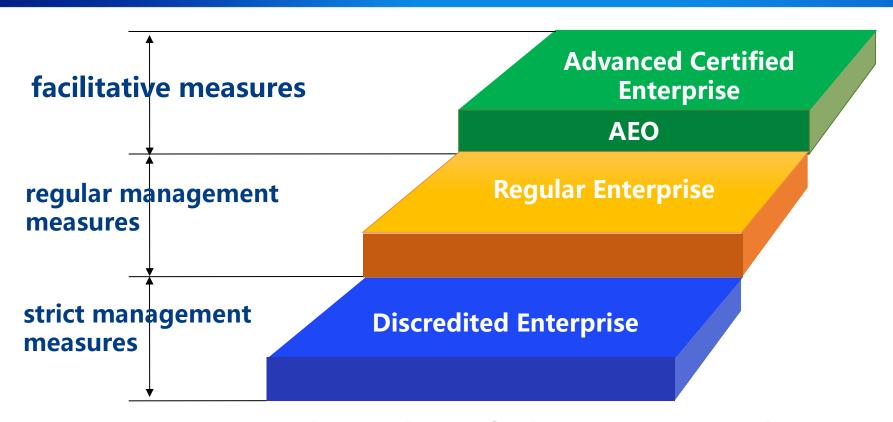
Measures for Customs Coordinator

Measures for Enterprise Credit Cultivation





Classification



Advanced Certified Enterprises are the AEOs recognized by China Customs



Statistics





AEO Validaiton Criteria

Criteria for AEOs

Totally includes 97 tiems and sub-items

General Criteria

Specific Criteria

Processing trade and bonded import/export

Animals/plants quarantine

Cross-border E-commerce Platform

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e.g. If a Cross-border E-commerce Platform Enterprise applies for AEO, it should meet both General Criteria and Specific Criteria for Cross-border E-commerce Platform.





Internal Control

Structure Control

Internal

Control

Import/Export Business Control

Internal Audit Control

IT System Control

Totally includes 11 tiems and 21 sub-items



Financial Status

Financial

Status

Accounting Information

Authentic, complete, normative, legal

Asset-liability ratio

Good at asset-liability ratio for 5 consecutive years





Compliance

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

Regularity of Import and Export

Customs Management Requirements

External Credit

Including 9 tiems and 26 sub-items

Compliance





Trade Security

Trade

Security

Physical Security Control Measures

Physical Access Control Measures

Personnel Security Control Measures

Business Partner Security Control Measures

Cargo Security Control Measures

Container Security Control Measures

Security Control Measures for Means of Transport

Crisis Management Measures

Including 9 tiems and 18 sub-items



Specific Criteria



The specific criteria cover 10 aspects

Processing trade and bonded import/export

Health quarantine

Animals/plants quarantine

Import/export of food

Import/export commodity inspection

Customs brokerage

Inward and outward express

Logistics transport

Cross-border e-commerce platform

comprehensive foreign trade service

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Tangible Facilitation Measures





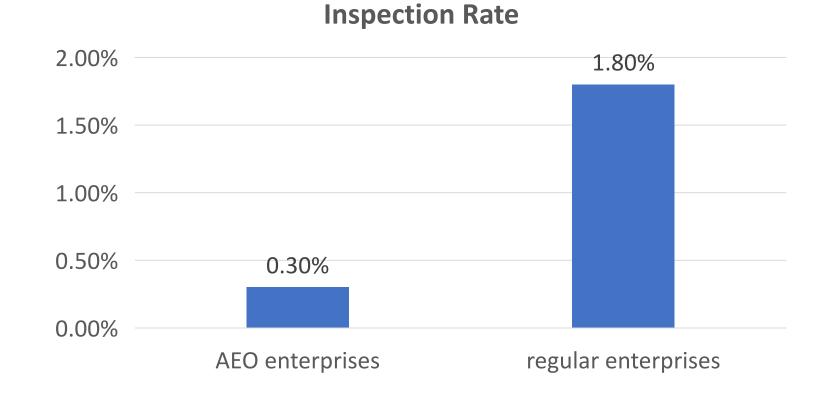


Tangible Facilitative Measures

E.G.1:

Reduce the inspection rate

The average inspection rate of AEO is 1/5 of that for regular enterprises.







Tangible Facilitation Measures



E.G.2:
Priority processing of customs formalities

Since last year, AEO enterprises have enjoyed priority treatments more than 1.8 million times.



Tangible Facilitation Measures

E.G.3:

Eligibility to apply for guarantee exemption

AEOs have enjoyed exemptions from various types of guarantee requirements exceeding 10.4 billion RMB since last year.









E.G.4: Coordinator Service







This year, the system has resolved over 1500 issues online, and provided nearly 5000 solutions to enterprise queries through both online and offline channels.

China Customs Credit Management Platform



E.G.5: Credit Cultivation Services



Group Training and Capacity Building



AEO Practical Training Base

1v1 Cultivation







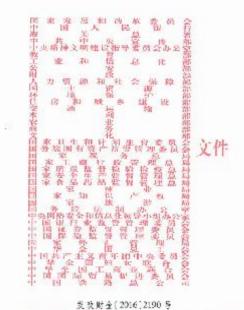
Joint Incentive Measures

Memorandum of Joint Incentive for customs AEO in 2016



More than 30 OGAs such as **Administration of Revenue Collections, Environmental Protection, banks...**





印发《关于对海关高级认证企业 实施联合激励的合作备忘录》的通知

各省、自治区、宣游市和新疆生产建设美国有关部门、机构 为了贯彻饱的一八大、十八届三中、四中、三中全会指标、答文



Strict AEO Validator Management





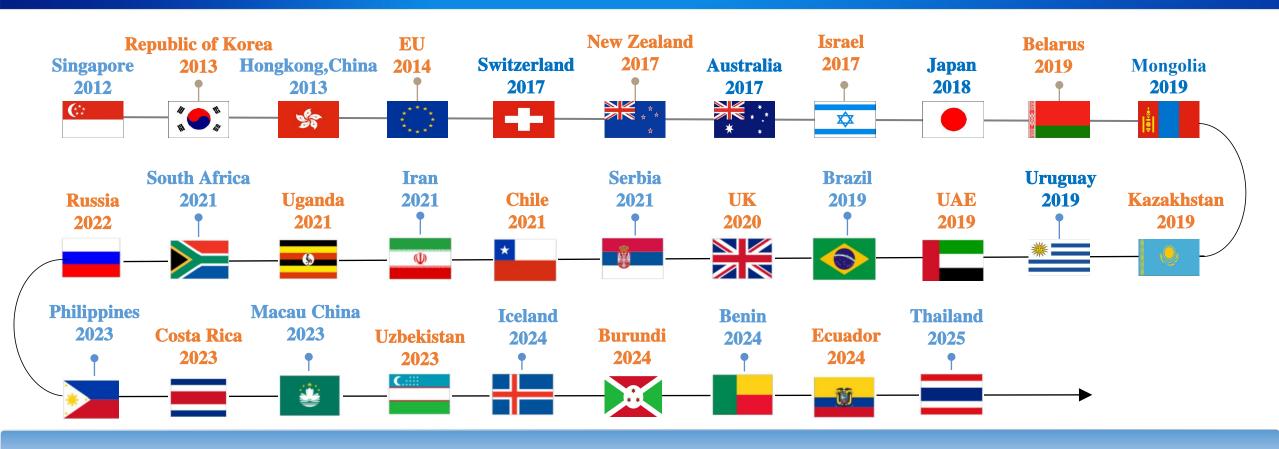








Multi-dimensional AEO Mutual Recognition Cooperation



China Customs has signed 31 AEO MRAs, includes 57 Members.





Future Endeavors



Automatic AEO information exchange

Completed: EU, Hongkong China, Macau

China.

In process: Switzerland, South Africa,

Belarus.



Capacity-building assistance to trade partners

Signed MOU on capacity-building with Turkmenistan and Togo.



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