

Instructions for creating an F12 ENS declaration

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Good to know

before you start

Purpose

The purpose of this guide is to show how to complete an F12 declaration in STI-STP.

Prerequisite

To be able to form an F12, you need to be logged in to STI-STP.

The guide for this can be found on the Danish Customs Agency's website.

Please note

- Fields with a red asterisk (*) must be filled in. In general, only these fields are mentioned in the guidelines.
- If a field appears in red font, it means that the field either has not been filled in or has been filled in with an illegal value.
- You cannot use the "Next" button until an area is filled in completely. Therefore, you must instead click on the tabs to navigate between the individual parts of an ENS.
- All data in the guide is test data.





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- **Postcode** is almost always required, even if the field is not marked as mandatory (indicated by a red asterisk (*)). There are only very few countries where this field is not required. Therefore, always fill in the Postcode field when this is known/can be obtained. There is a code list on the EU's online library here, where you can find a list of which countries require Postcode. For the countries that use Postcode, it must be entered. The document is called: 7. ICS2-HTI-CL-(2024-11-15)-v3.00. Here you should find tabs "CL733 - Postcode availability" and "CL732 - Postcode data level" for an explanation of the code. Note: Newer versions of the document may be available at the time of reading.
- Currently, Denmark only has one customs office code in ICS2: DK007900.
- The 7-digit number Identification Number must always be preceded by IMO followed by the 7-digit number Identification Number for shipping (example: IMO1234567).
- In most cases, it is required to add a
 Consignee at both master and
 house level, although the field must
 be actively turned on.
- Before entering an EORI number, you can check here if the EORI number is valid: https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_cust oms/dds2/eos/eori_validation.jsp? Long=one.

- The UNLOCODE field sometimes causes problems in the system and can affect the system's response time. It is recommended to use the Location and Country fields instead.
- Place of Acceptance is defined as the place where the goods are taken over from the sender by the person issuing the bill of lading. Identification of the seaport, cargo terminal or other place where the goods are taken over from the shipper, including the country in which the place is located. Where available, coded information must be provided to identify the location. If a UN/LOCODE is not available for the place in question, the name of the place together with the country code should be given with the greatest possible precision.





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- It is a good idea to save the ENS as a DRAFT if the ENS does not need to be submitted immediately.
- It is always recommended to save the contents of the completed ENS using the Save to Template button before submitting the ENS (Submit). In this way, all the content of the ENS can be quickly re-uploaded using the Upload from Template function.
- Syntactic or semantic errors may occur in the ENS, which means that it must be corrected and the ENS must be resubmitted. In those cases, you must create a new ENS and create a new unique LRN (cannot be the same as on the ENS that failed). You can then use the Upload from Template function and upload all data from the ENS you have saved locally on the computer and correct the errors. You can then submit the ENS again. Also remember to save this version to your computer via Save to Template





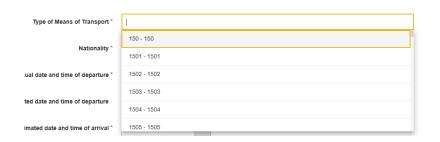
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 - In some drop-down menus in STI-STP, there is a lack of explanation of what the individual options mean.





Example where explanation is not present:



If an explanation is not present, you can download the code list from the EU's online library <u>here</u>. The document is called: 7. ICS2-HTI-CL-(2024-11-15)-v3.00.

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Fictional story based on the workflow to create an ENS statement

In this example, an ENS declaration is made for the fictitious shipping company Safe Sea Transport.

The shipping company Safe Sea Transport sails freight between North America and Europe - sometimes even to Denmark.

Various freight forwarding companies book space on board Safe Sea Transport's ships when they have cargo that is going across the Atlantic. Some freight forwarders leave all the information about the shipments to be transported to the shipping company, which then takes care of submitting all the information in ICS2 FNS declarations. Other freight forwarders do not want to leave all the information to the shipping company but instead prefer to submit ICS2 ENS declarations themselves at house and goods item level. This is the kind of situation we will describe in this example.

For this guide, we have chosen to use the combination of F12 and F15. F12 is a master and F15 is a house level filing type. F12 and F15 are used in a combination where the carrier submits master information (F12), and the freight forwarder submits house information (F15) in which the goods shipment information is included.



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Step 1

Enter the LRN number and select Type of ENS indication using the arrow.

The format of the LRN number can be freely chosen, but the number must be unique every time - even if an entry fails and needs to be re-entered.



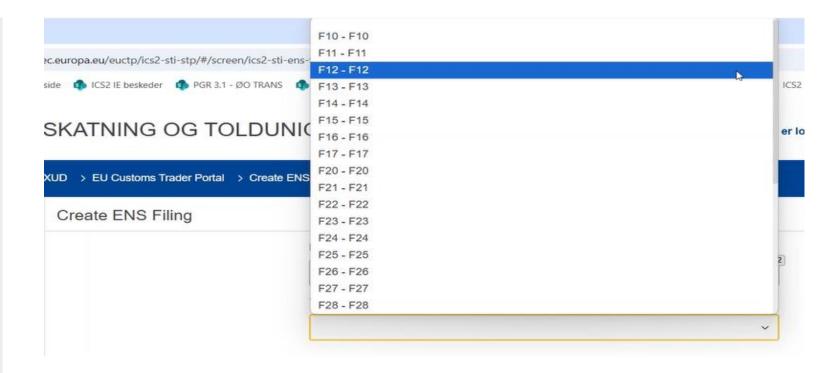


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Step 2

Select F12 from the dropdown menu.

F12 is a master declaration for sea freight. It is submitted by the carrier.





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Step 3 To move on, press Next. Please note: Because this is a test creation, test data is used. In the production environment, correct values must be entered.



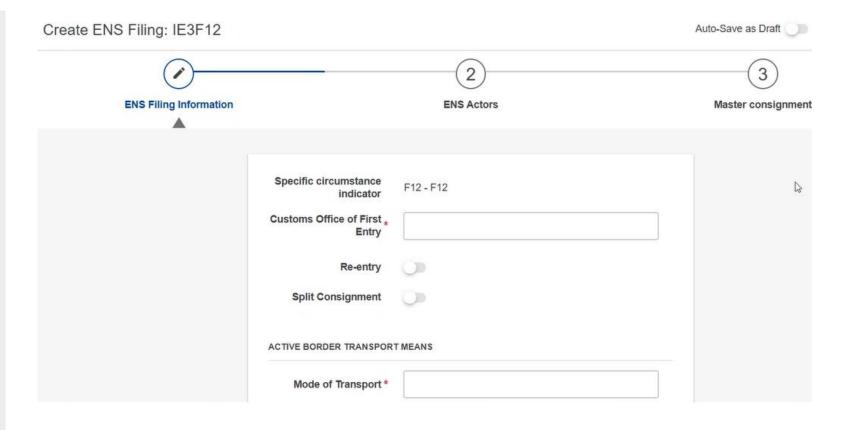


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Step 4

Now the ENS Filing Information (ENS entry information) for an F12 must be filled in.

Check that F12 is indicated as the Specific circumstance indicator. If it is not, the wrong F-type has been selected, and you will have to start over.





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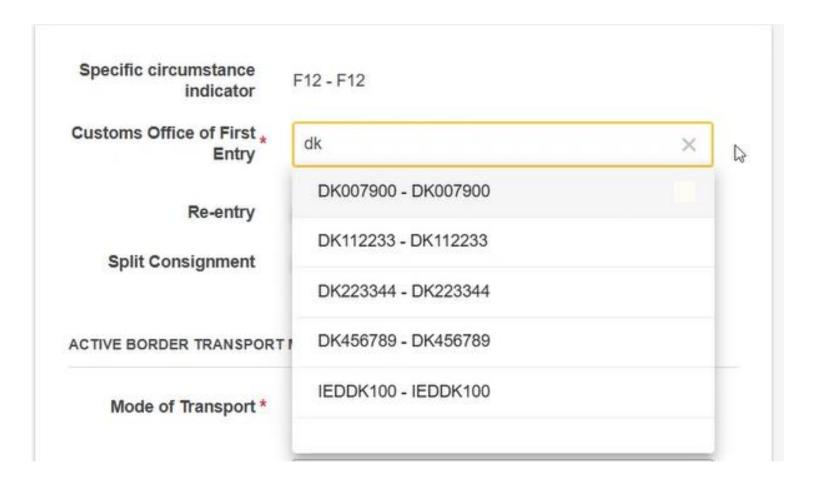
Step 5

Type dk in the Customs Office of First Entry field.

A dropdown menu will now appear, select DK007900.

Please note:

In Denmark, so far only DK007900 can be used. Anything else will fail.



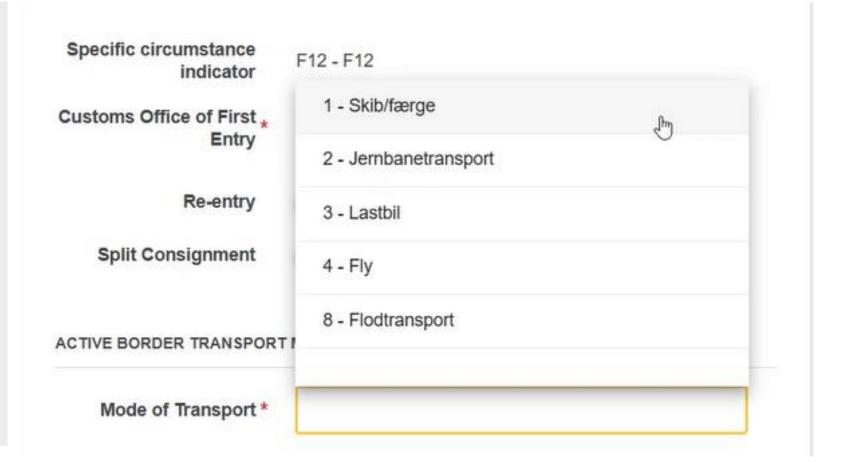


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Step 6

You must now select Mode of Transport. Go to Mode of Transport and click on the blank box. A dropdown menu will appear.

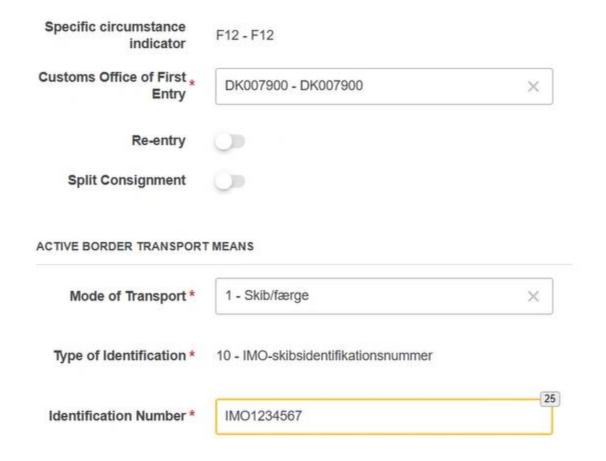
Select Skib/færge (Ship/ferry).





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Step 7 Identification number must be filled in. Please note: The identification number must always start with "IMO" when it is sea freight. Then you need to write a 7 digits code (ex.: IMO1234567)





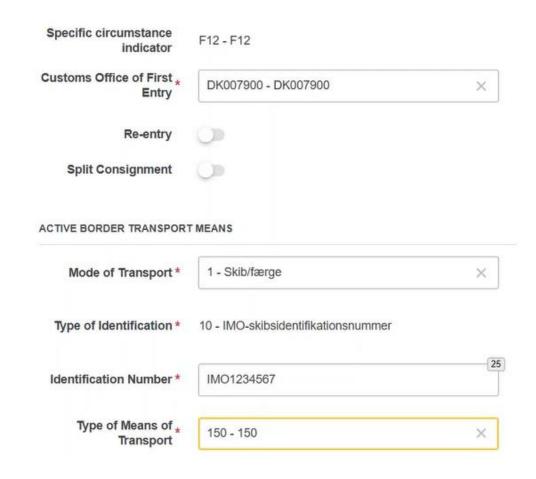
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Step 8

You must now select Type of Means of Transport.

The different options are shown when you enter the Type of Means of Transport field. In this example, select 150 = General Cargo vessel.

You can find an explanation of the Code List at the EU's online library <u>here</u>. The document is called: 7. ICS2-HTI-CL-(2024-11-15)-v3.00.





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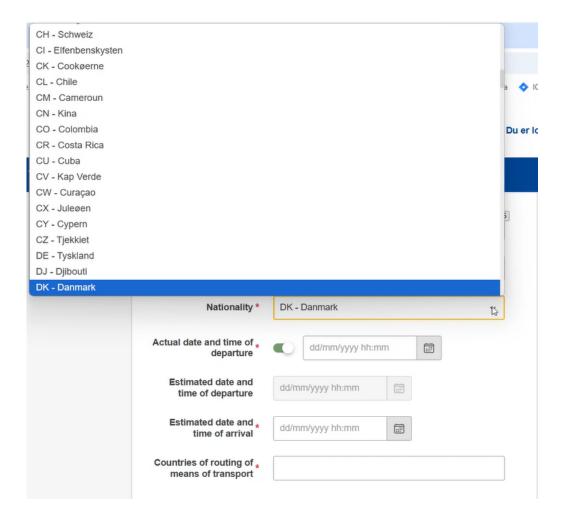
Step 9

Choose nationality.

The different country codes are shown in the dropdown menu when you are in the Nationality field.

Type dk in the field and the system jumps down to "DK – Denmark".

Press enter to select that option.





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Step 10

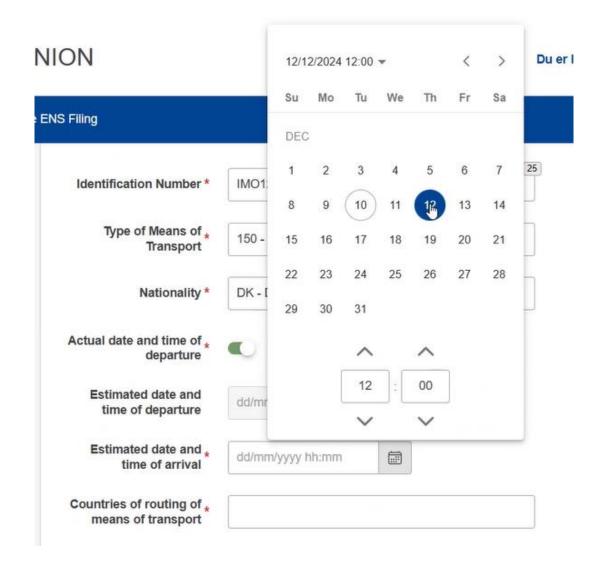
The date and time of departure must be entered.

Click the calendar icon and select a date. Use the arrow keys to select the desired time.

You must enter either Actual date and time of departure or Estimated date and time of departure.

Please note:

Estimated date and time of arrival can not be earlier than Actual date and time of departure or Estimated date and time of departure.





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Step 11

The date and time of arrival must be provided.

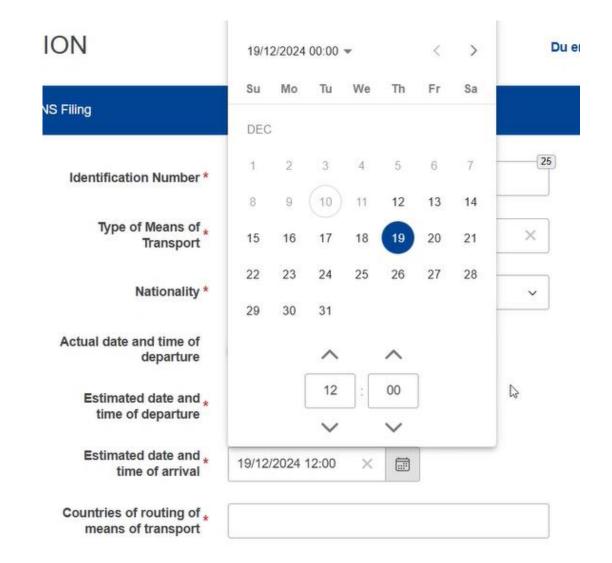
Click the calendar icon and select a date. Use the arrow keys to select the desired time.

Use Estimated date and time of arrival if the ship has not departed from the 3rd country yet.

If the ship has departed, use Actual date and time of departure.

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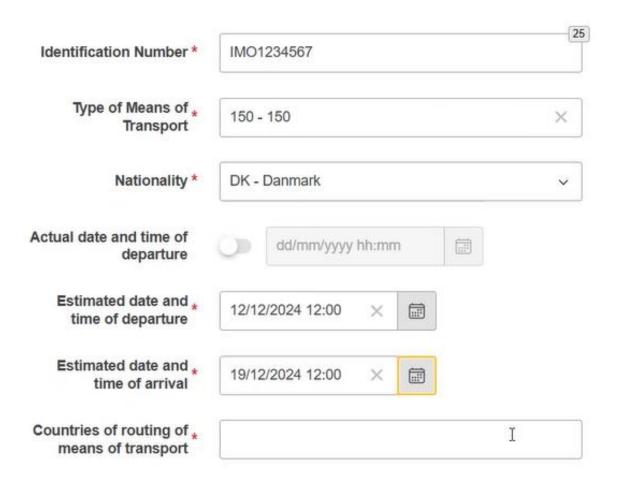
Estimated date and time of arrival must not be earlier than Actual date and time of departure or Estimated date and time of departure.





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Step 12 Here are the selected values for both Estimated date and time of departure Estimated date and time of arrival.





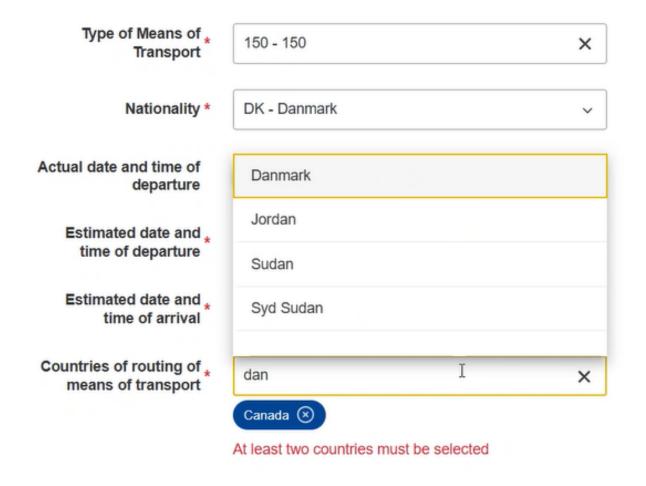
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Step 13

You must now select the Countries of routing of means of transport, i.e. the countries through which the transport passes from the place of origin to the place of destination. The different countries are shown in the dropdown menu when you are in the field: Countries of routing of means of transport. Write the first letter of the country's name, and the list will jump down to countries that start with that letter, e.g. D for Denmark.

The country where the means of transport is loaded must be chosen as the first country, then one or more transit countries for the route of the means of transport, and the country where the means of transport is piloted as the last country.

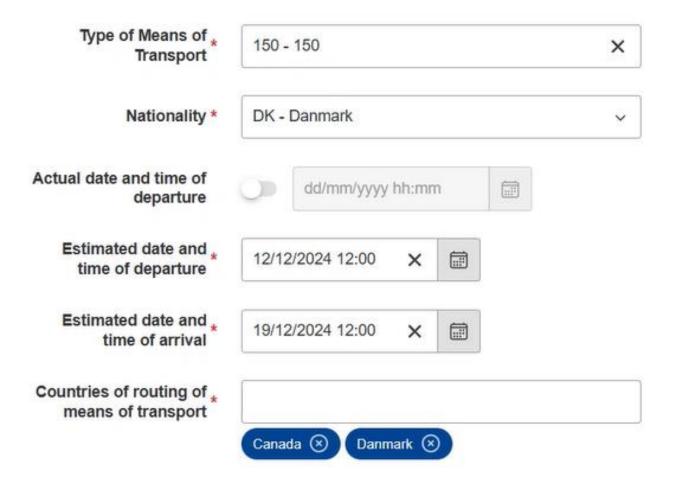
At least two countries must be added to the field.





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Step 15

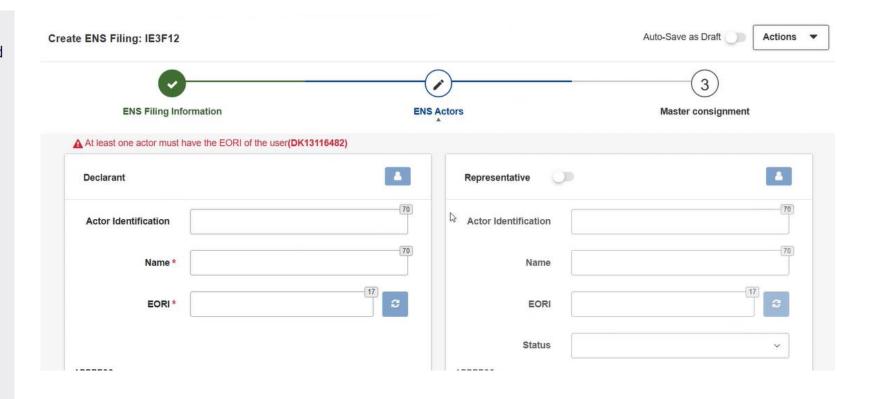
The ENS Filing Information has now been filled in and the information about the ENS Actors must be completed.

Declarant information *must* be entered, and information about a Representative can be entered.

In this example, we do not use a representative.

Please note:

Declarant and Representative can not be the same.





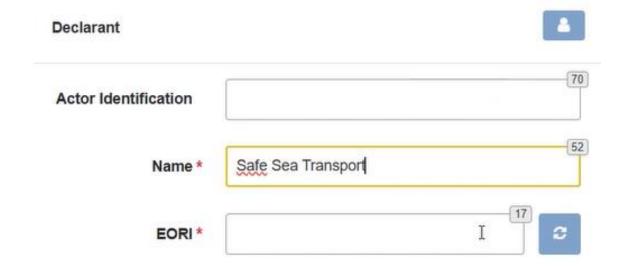
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Step 16

Enter the Name of the operator. It is not necessary to fill out Actor Identification.

The blue icon with the little man is activated when the Name field and all required fields are filled in. When this icon is selected, the operator's information can be stored. In this way, the actors that you use most often can be saved in order not to have to enter all the information every time a new ENS is created.

If you have previously saved an actor in STI-STP, the actor can be selected in Actor Identification. This means that all saved fields are filled in automatically, and you avoid having to enter the information on the actor again.





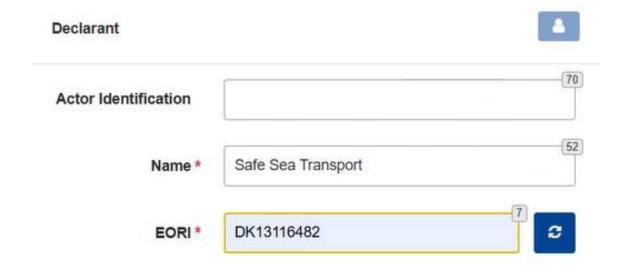
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Step 17

Enter the EORI number and tap the blue icon to the right of the field. This will fill in all the information about the operator.

Please note:

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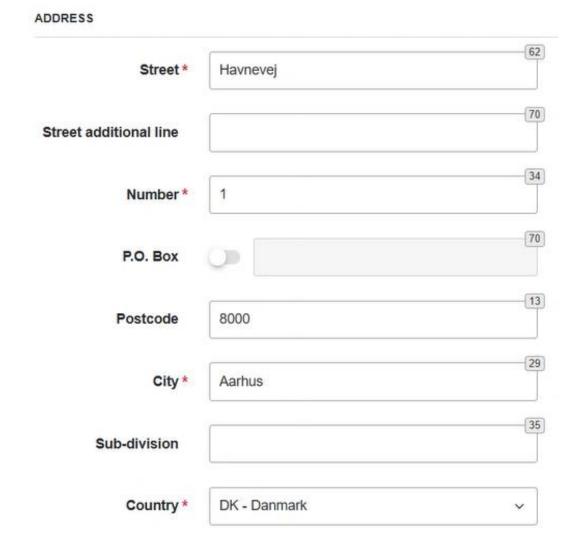
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Step 18

Enter:

- Street
- Number
- Postcode
- City
- Country

Although Postcode is not a mandatory field, it should almost always be stated. Read more at the beginning of this guide in the section "Good to know – when using STI-STP".





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Step 19

It must be stated how to communicate with the declarant.

Go to the Type field and tap the arrow to choose whether it should be Email or Phone. Enter the communication information in the format that suits the selected communication type.

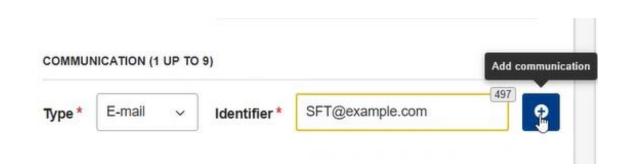
Tap the blue icon with "+" to save the entered information.

Please note:

Declarant and Representative can not be the same. In our example, we do not use a representative.

The phone number must have an international phone number format, e.g. +4512345678.

Tap either Next at the bottom right of the screen or 3 Master consignment at the top right of the screen.



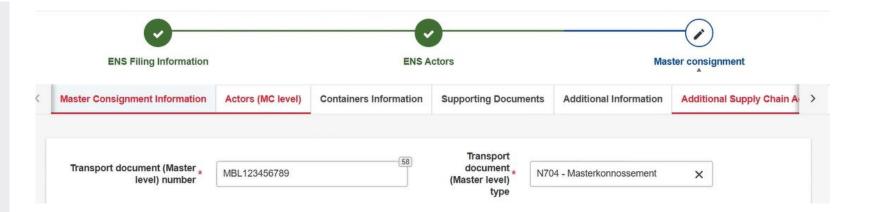
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Step 20

Now the information about ENS Actors has been filled in, and the information about Master consignment must be filled in.

On the Master consignment Information tab, enter the Transport Document Number.

Then select the Transport document type from the dropdown menu that appears by clicking in the field.





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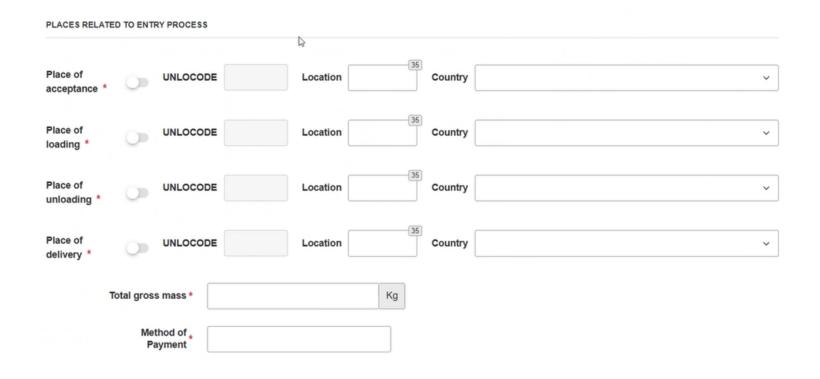
Step 21

PLACES RELATED TO THE ENTRY PROCESS must now be provided.

Please note:

Expect a very long wait time if the UNLOCODE field is used. Alternatively, you can use Location + Country.

The switch to the left of UNLOCODE field must be activated or deactivated depending on whether you want to use UNLOCODE or not.





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Step 22

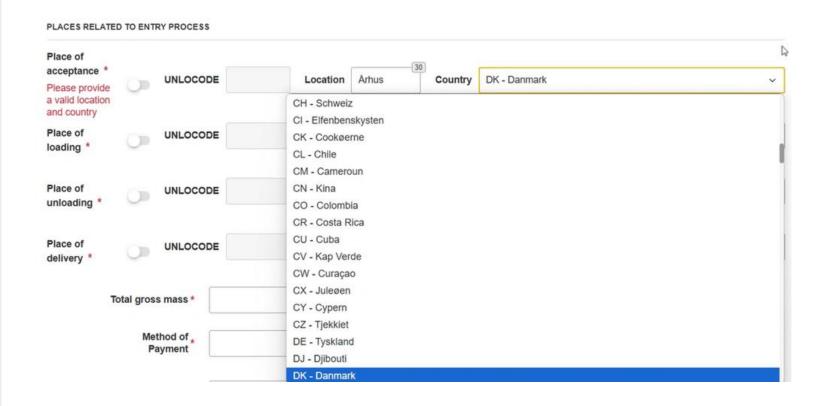
Location/City Name is typed in manually and Country is selected from the dropdown menu. Fill in these fields for:

- Place of acceptance
- Place of loading
- Place of unloading
- Place of delivery

Please note:

The definition of Place of Acceptance is described in the section "Good to know - when using STI-STP" at the beginning of this guide.

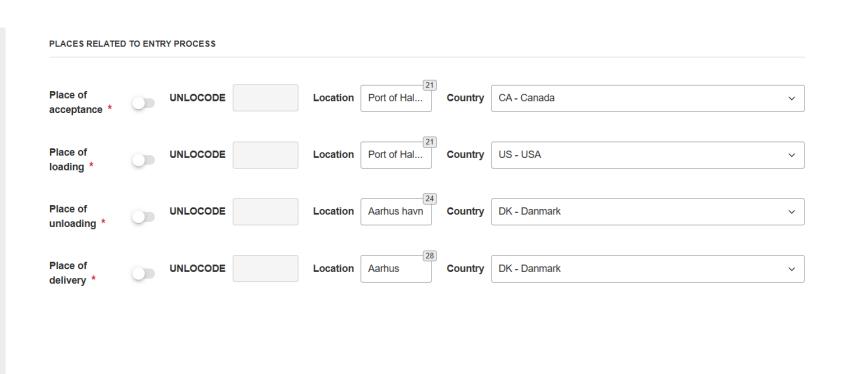
If the Place of unloading is in Denmark, the field must be filled in with the Unloading location code used on the Arrival Declaration in Manifest.





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Step 23When the four places are filled in, it can look like this.





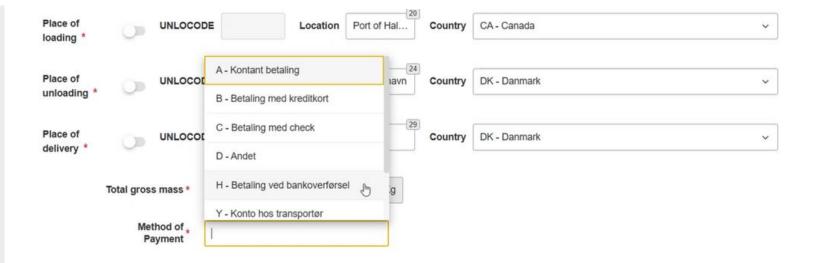
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Step 24

Now you need to enter Total gross mass and Method of Payment.

Total gross mass is written manually.

Method of Payment is selected via the dropdown menu.





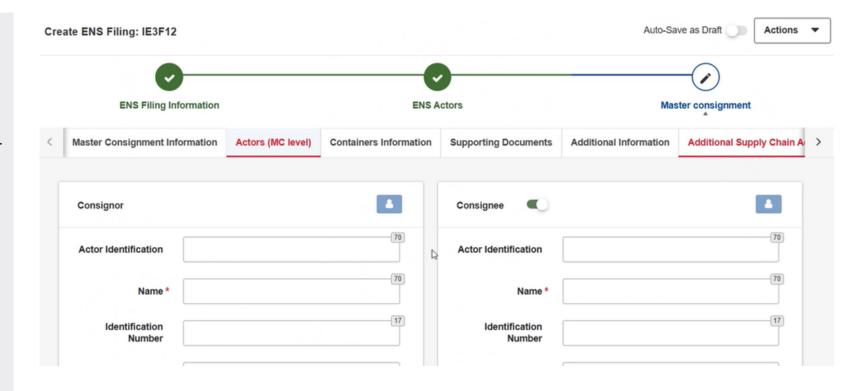
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Step 25

The information on the Master Configuration Information tab is now entered.

Next is the information on the Actors tab (MC level), i.e., Actors at Master Consignment level.

The first part is Consignor (Sender).





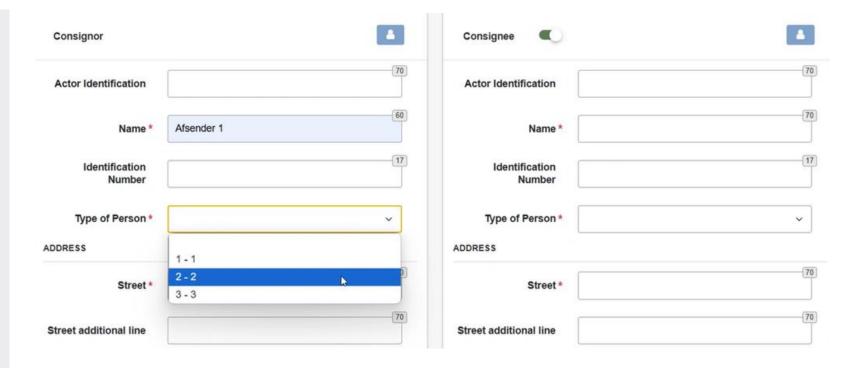
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Step 26

Fill in the Consignor name and select Type of Person via the dropdown menu.

The meaning of the values 1, 2 and 3 for Type of Person is as follows:

- Natural person
- Legal person
- Association of persons (Association of persons who do not have legal personality but who are recognized as having legal capacity under EU or national law).





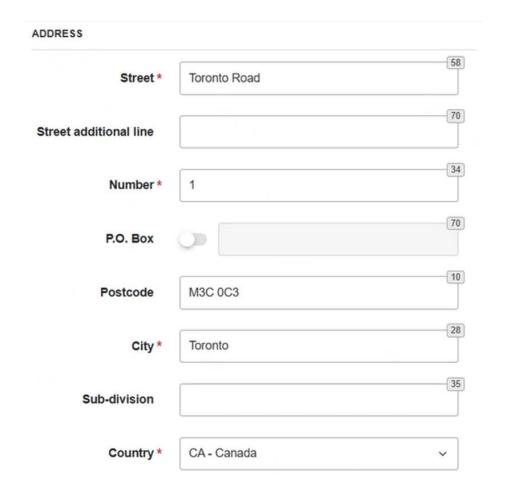
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Step 27

Next, fill in the address information under ADDRESS:

- Street
- Number
- Postcode
- City is written manually
- Country is selected from the dropdown menu.

Although Postcode is not a mandatory field, it should almost always be stated. Read more at the beginning of this guide in the section "Good to know – when using STI-STP".





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Step 28

Finally, communication details must be filled in under COMMUNICATION:

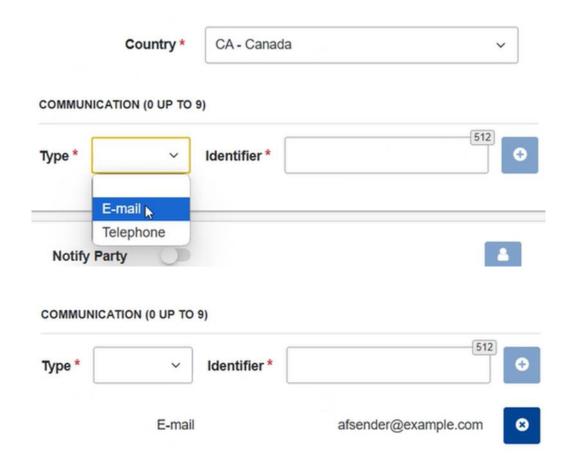
E-mail or Telephone is selected via the dropdown menu.

The phone number must have an international phone number format, e.g., +4512345678.

In our example, we've chosen email.

Press the blue icon with "+" to add your entries to the list of communication details shown below the entry fields.

It is now possible to enter another set of communication information if you wish.

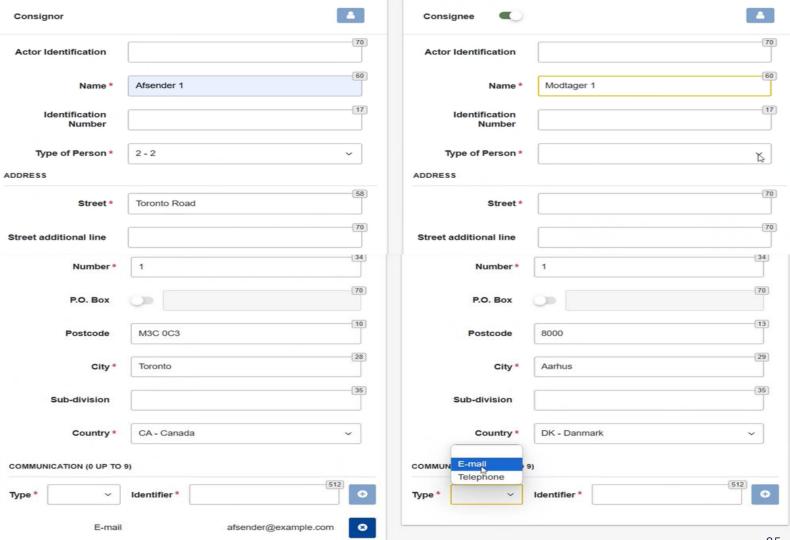




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Step 29

Since there is a freight forwarder involved, information about Consignee (Consignee) must now be filled in. It is the same process as for Consignor (Sender).

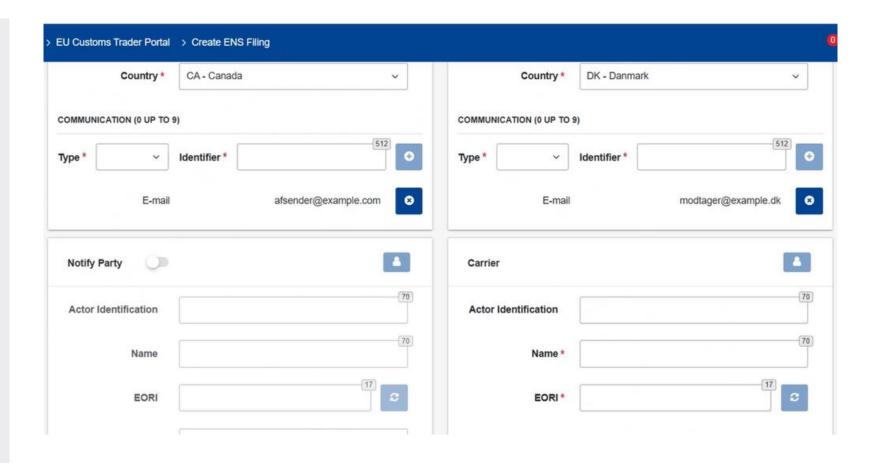




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Step 30Filling in the Notify Party details is voluntary,

but the Carrier details are required.



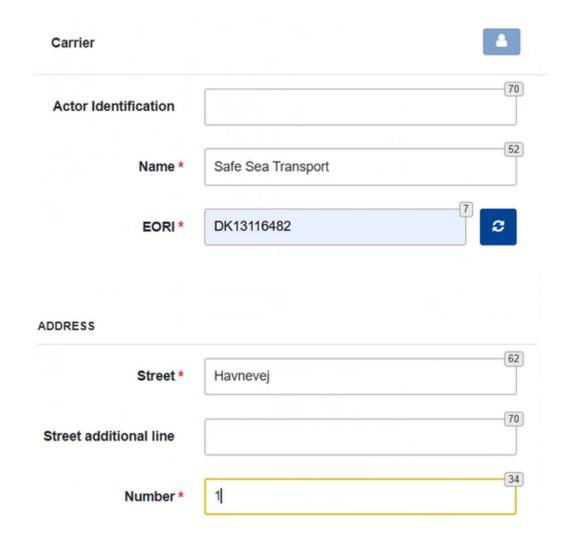


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Step 31The details for Carrier are filled in:NameEORI number

- Street
- Number
- Postcode
- City is written manually
- Country is selected from the dropdown menu.

Remember that by clicking on the little blue man, the information is saved and can be used again later.





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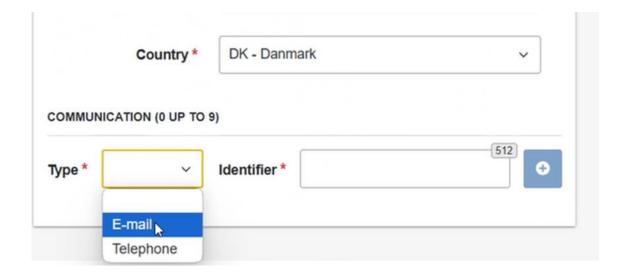
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E-mail or Telephone is selected via the dropdown menu.

The phone number must have an international phone number format, e.g., +4512345678.

Press the blue icon with "+" to add your entries to the list of communication details shown below the entry fields.

It is now possible to enter another set of communication information if you wish.



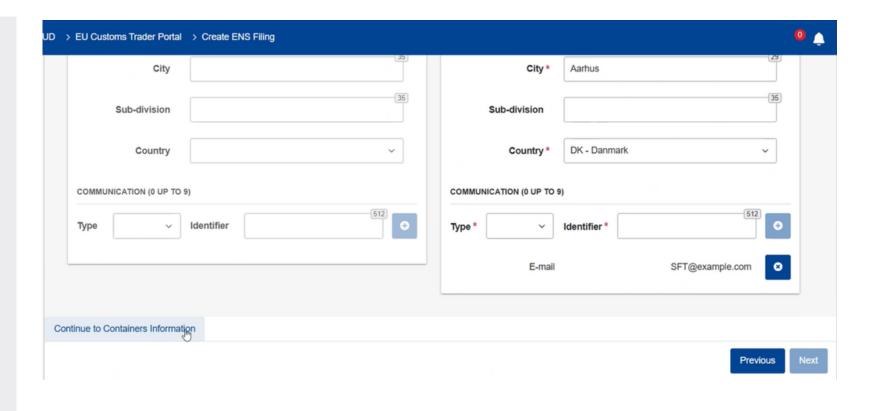


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Step 33

If you need Container information, click on: Continue to Containers Information – bottom left.

Or select the Container Information tab.





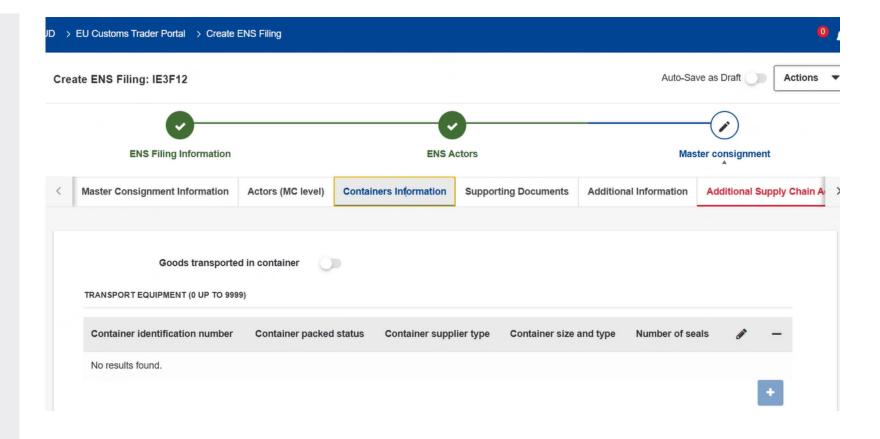
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Step 34

Container Information tab.

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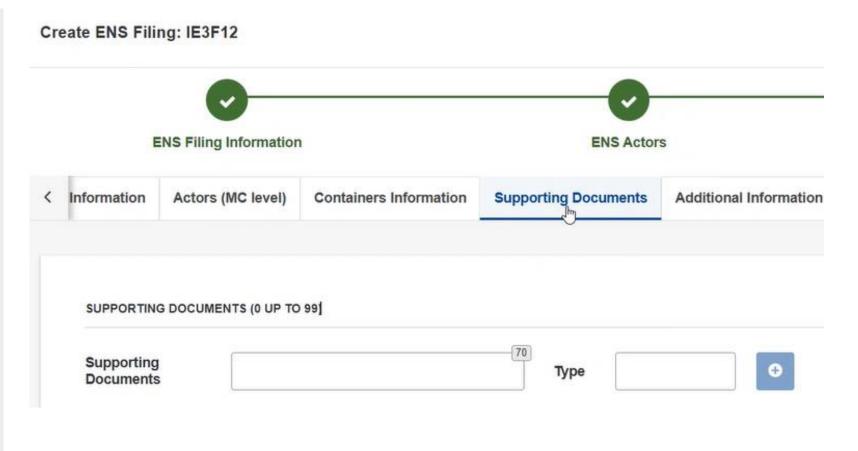
Fill in the information and add it to the list by tapping on the blue icon with "+".





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Step 35 The Supporting documents tab. Here you can enter information on up to 99 Supplementary Documents.





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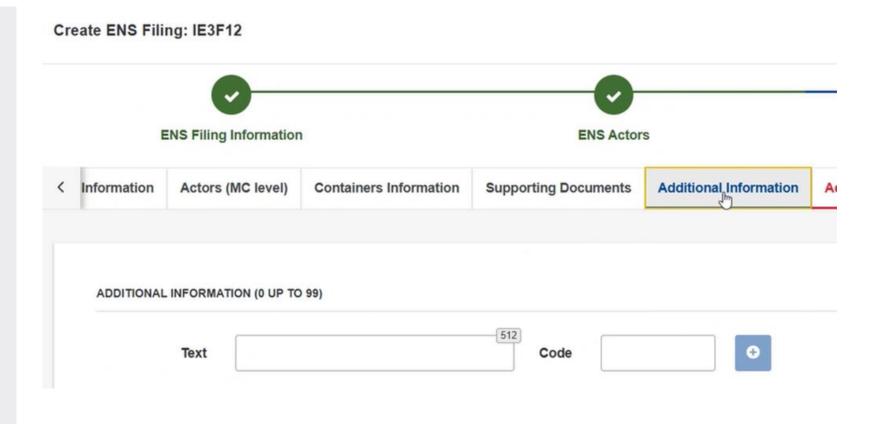
Step 36

The Additional Information tab.

Up to 99 additional information can be entered here.

Please note:

The field currently behaves as a mandatory field even though it is not. Type TEST in the Text field and 10600 in the Code field and press '+'. Then press the blue 'x' (Remove). This is a work-around until the error is corrected.





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Step 37

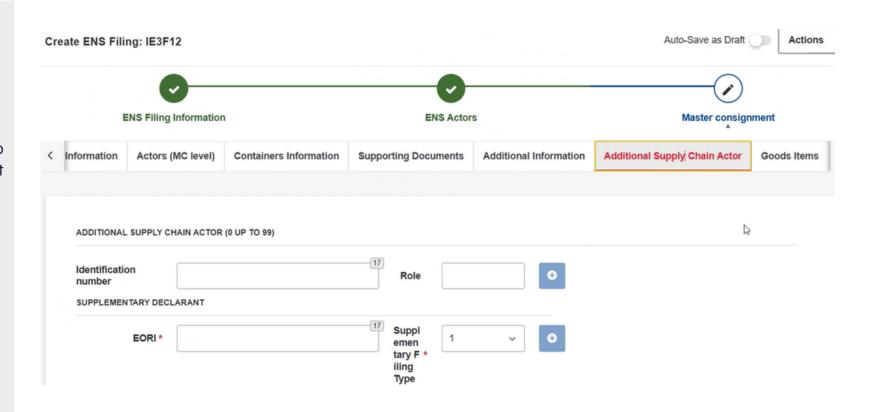
The Additional Supply Chain Actor tab.

Information on up to 99 Additional Actors in the Supply Chain can be provided here.

The EORI number of the freight forwarder who is to submit the ENS at the house consignment level (e.g., F15) must be entered, and Supplementary Filing Type must be selected from the dropdown menu.

Meaning of values 1 and 2 for Supplementary Filing Type:

- 1. Forwarder filing (House level filing) Used e.g., when F12 is combined with F14 or F15.
- 2. Sub-house level filing Used for consolidation involving more than one freight forwarder only applicable when submitting an F14 or F15.

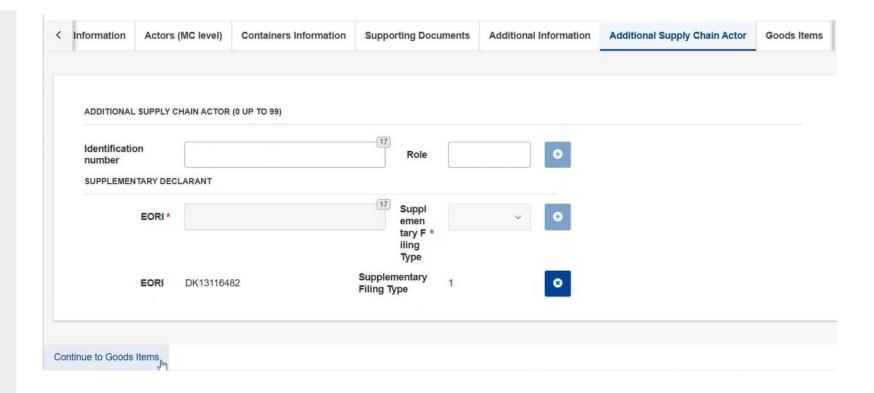


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Step 38

To add information about Goods Items, click: Continue to Goods Items.

Or select the Goods Items tab.



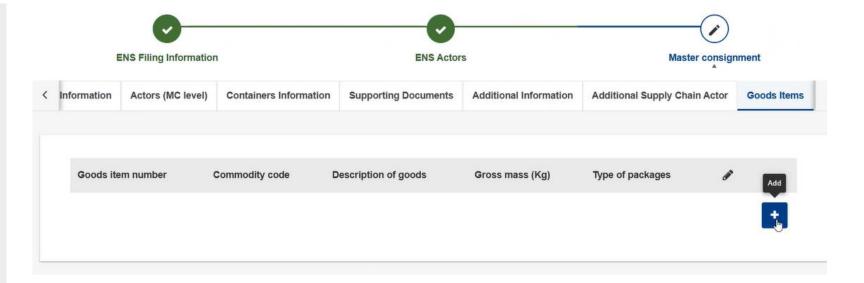


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Step 39

The Goods Item tab.

The last part is now being completed. Activate Goods Items by clicking on the blue icon with "+".





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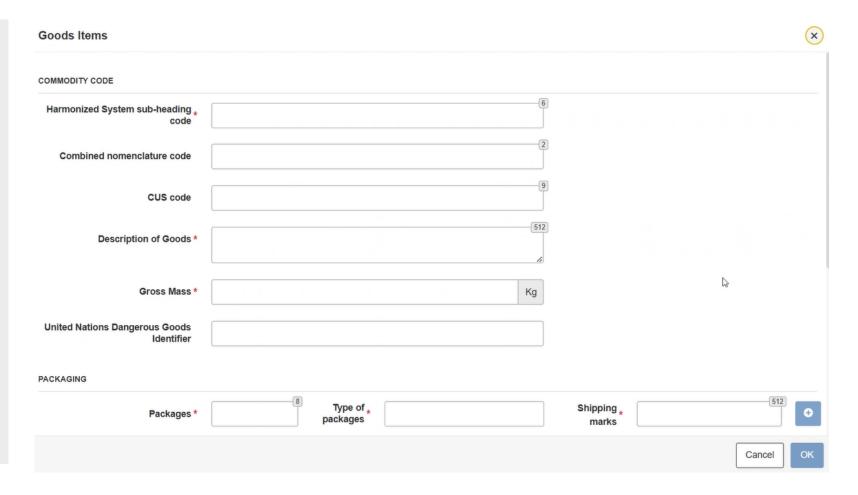
Step 40

Under the Commodity Code section, the following fields must be filled in:

- HS sub-heading code
- Description of Goods
- Gross mass

You can also choose to fill in the fields

- CN code
- CUS code (CUS code) manually
- United Nations Dangerous Goods Identifier via the dropdown menu.





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Step 41

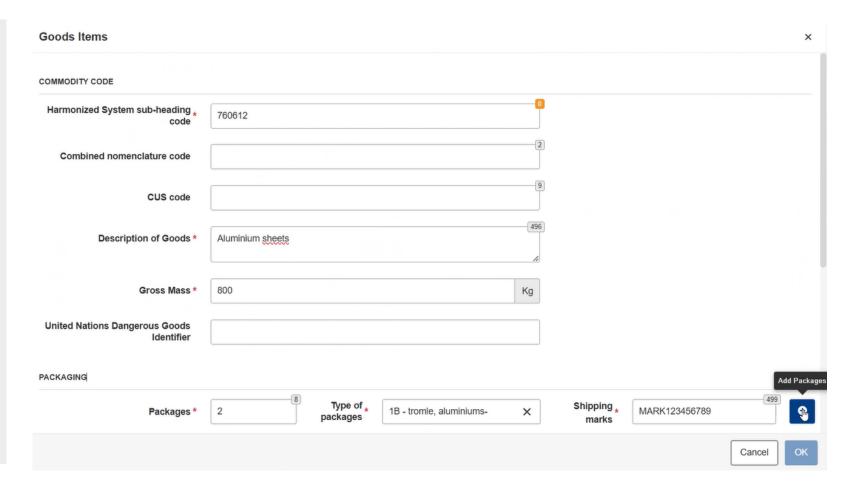
Under the section Packaging, the following fields must be filled in:

- Packages
- Type of packages
- Shipping marks.

Save the information by clicking on the blue icon with "+". The entered information will then appear below the input fields.

Please note:

The Packages and Shipping marks fields are not used when the Type of packages is 'VQ', 'VG', 'VL', 'VY', 'VR', 'VS', 'VO', 'NE', 'NF', 'NG'.

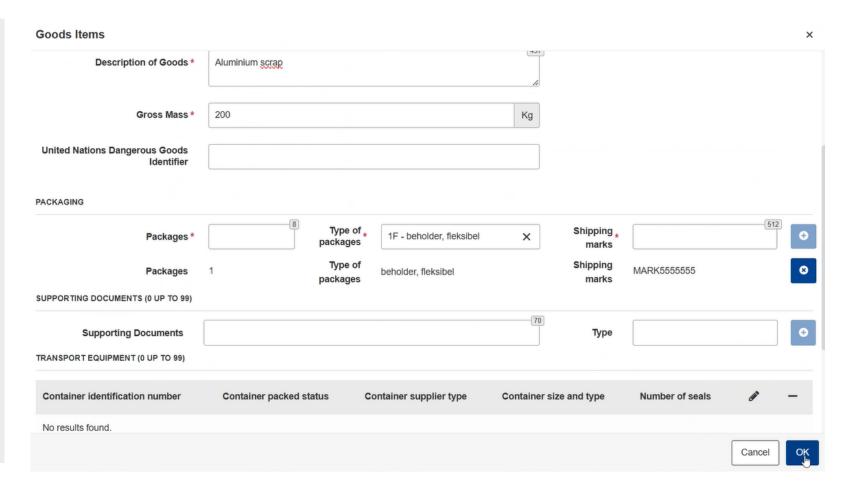




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Step 42

Press ok. The entered information about the Goods Item will now be displayed at the bottom of the screen, as shown in the next image in this guide.



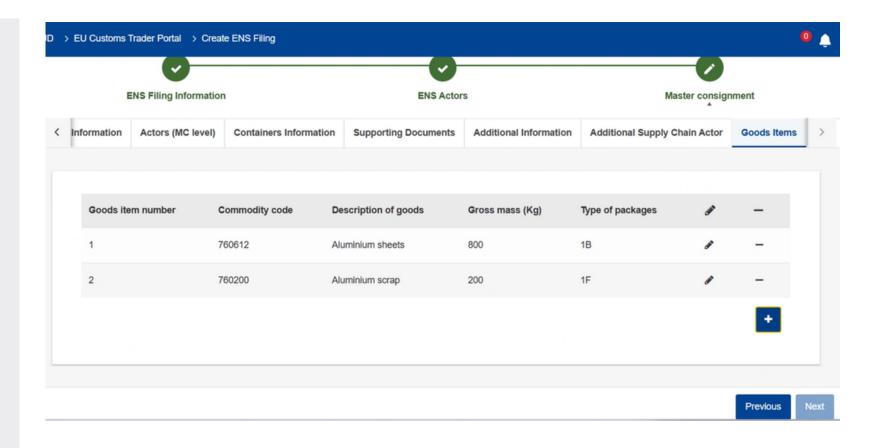


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Step 43

Here you will see the information you have entered about the Goods Item at the bottom of the screen.

You cannot click Next, because there are no more fields to fill in.

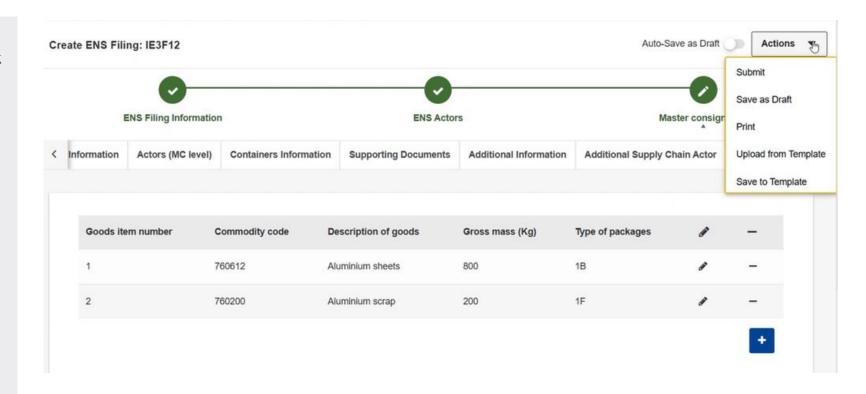




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Step 44

Instead, scroll to the top of the page and click on the arrow next to Actions.

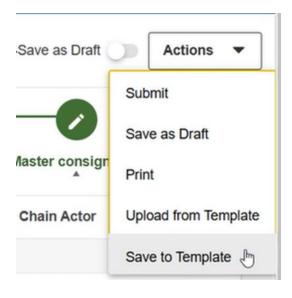




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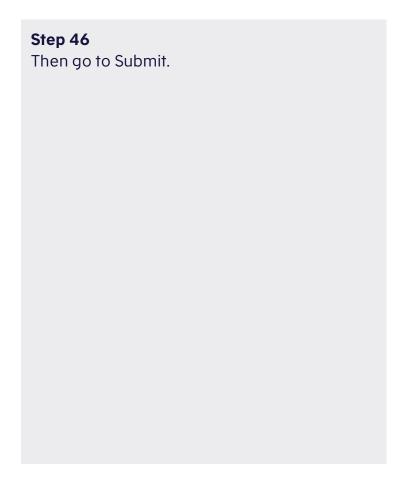
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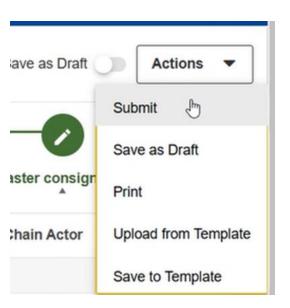
By selecting "Save to Template" you can save a copy of your F12 entry locally on your computer. In this way, you can quickly upload all data entered and correct it if there are errors in the information.





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Step 47

Once you click Submit, a popup window will appear confirming that you wish to submit the ENS.

Click OK.

The first screen will then appear again and a new ENS can be entered.





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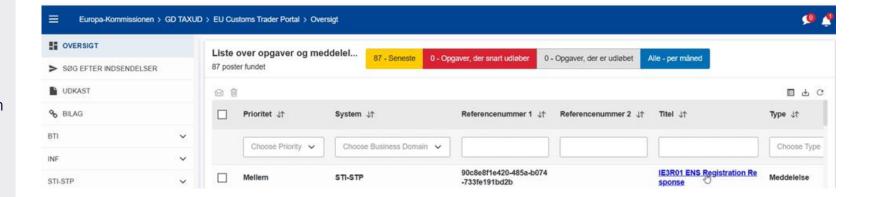
Step 48

You can find your submitted F12 under the tab OVERVIEW, which is seen on the far left.

If you see a message starting with "IE3R01" in the Title column, it is a registered ENS entry.

If you see a message in the Title column starting with "IE3N99", it is an error message.

If an error is found in the ENS, you must create a new ENS filing with a unique LRN, correct it and re-submit it.

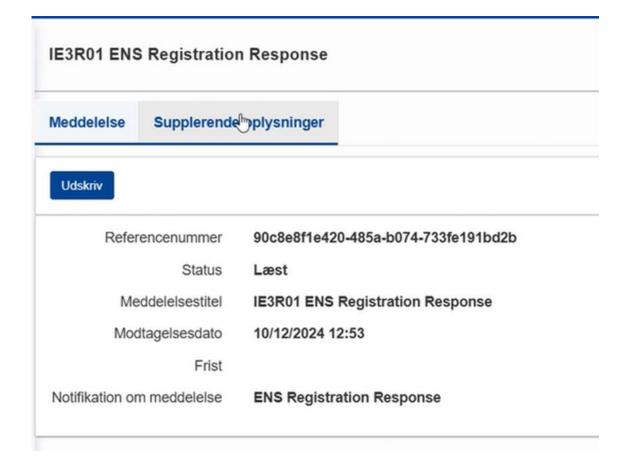




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Step 49

This is a status that the process in the system is underway.

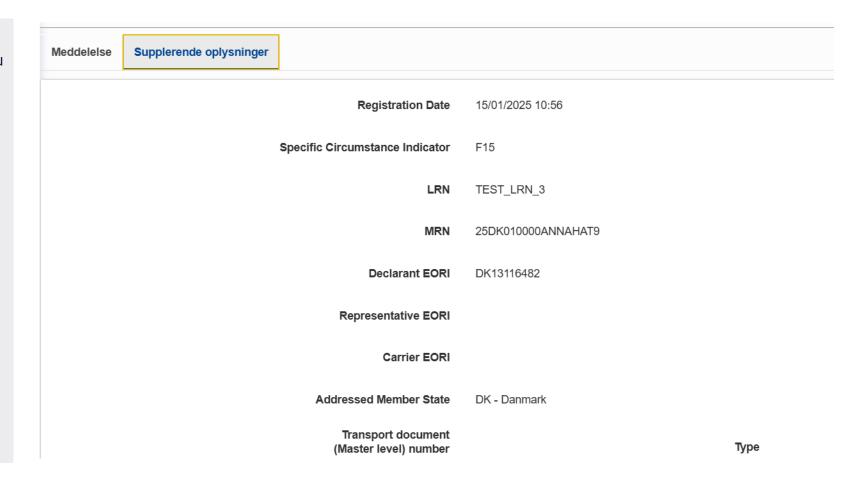




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Step 50

Under the tab Supplementary information, you can find the MRN number that has been assigned to the ENS.

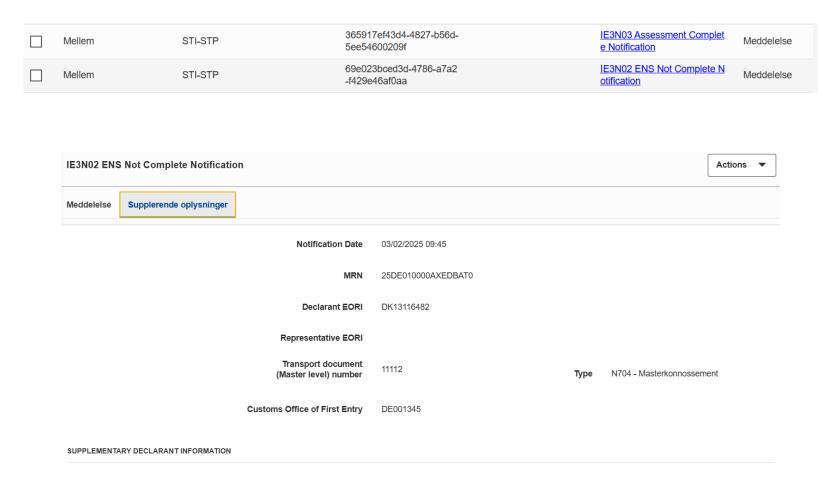




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Step 51

After submission of the ENS, the additional declarant entered in Step 37 will receive a message of the type "IE3N02, ENS not complete notification" notifying that they need to file a supplementary ENS filing, i.e. F15 or F14 + F16.



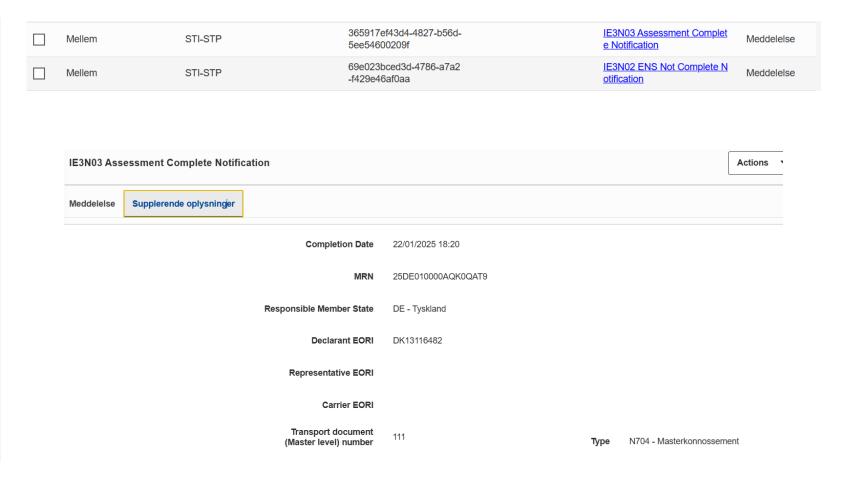


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Step 52

Once the ENS declaration has been approved, the declarant will receive an IE3N03 Assessment complete notification.

Remember that when presenting the goods in the Manifest system, the Transport document type and Transportation document number must be the same as the information provided by the ENS.





How to get help

You can get further help from the Danish Customs Agency's Service Desk and on the Danish Customs Agency's website.







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The Danish Customs Agency's ICS2 website.

