

Customs Administration of Spain
5 March 2021

N.B. The information provided by individual Member States supplements the [information provided by the European Commission](#)

- 1. Which of the measures outlined in the WCO Resolution on the role of Customs in facilitating the cross-border movement of situationally critical medicines and vaccines has your Customs administration implemented in practice? Please provide details of the implementation.**
 - 2. Was any relevant information concerning the Customs clearance of COVID-19 vaccines and the goods and devices used for their shipment and transportation, made publicly available, for example on the Customs administration's web-site? If yes, please provide a URL. If not made publicly available, was relevant information provided to the supply chain stakeholders – manufacturers, exporters, importers, logistics providers, etc.?**
 - 3. Was any dedicated guidance made available to the field Customs officers with regard to the Customs clearance of COVID-19 vaccines for export, transit and import, as well as the goods and devices used for the vaccines' shipment and transportation? If yes, please provide details on how the guidance was disseminated.**
 - 4. Has any training been provided to the staff of your Customs administration in anticipation of the COVID-19 vaccines distribution effort, for example training for handling of time- and temperature-sensitive items, training for handling of dangerous goods (e.g. dry ice), training for identifying the COVID-19 vaccines on import or export documentation?**
- No.
- 5. What mode of transport was used for the exportation/importation of COVID-19 vaccines from/into your country?**
- For import since 2 February 2021: 8 by road transport
For export since 19 January 2021: 16 by air transport and 2 by road transport.
- 6. What are the documents required for the exportation of COVID-19 vaccines from your country? (applies to the Members exporting COVID-19 vaccines)**
 - 7. Which national authorities are responsible for the checking and clearing the COVID-19 vaccines shipments for exportation? How is the cooperation between these authorities arranged? (applies to the Members exporting COVID-19 vaccines)**
 - 8. Is there any exchange of information/data between the Customs authorities of the exporting country and the Customs authorities of the importing country? What type of information is exchanged? How is the exchange of information arranged/regulated?**
- No.
- 9. Was the Customs transit procedure used for the COVID-19 vaccines imported into your country? If yes, why/what was the rationale?**

No.

10. Does your administration implement risk management techniques related to the cross-border movement of COVID-19 vaccines?

11. What are the documents required for the importation of COVID-19 vaccines in your country?

12. Which national authorities are responsible for the checking and clearing the COVID-19 vaccines shipments for importation? How is the cooperation between these authorities arranged?

Departamento de Inspección y Control de Medicamentos (Agencia Española de Medicamentos y Productos Sanitarios AEMPS/ Spanish Agency for Medicines and Sanitary Products) and the Spanish Customs and Tax Agency (Agencia Estatal de Administración Tributaria AEAT). .

13. If information is available, what was the time required for the release of the COVID-19 vaccines shipments imported into your country?

For imports, all consignments were released automatically (few seconds).

For exports, 11 consignments were released automatically. Only 6 consignments were released in a few hours.

14. Has your government considered duty and tax waivers for the importation of COVID-19 vaccines?

Spain has issued “Real Decreto-ley 35/2020, de 22 diciembre, de medidas urgentes de apoyo al sector turístico, la hostelería y el comercio y en materia tributaria” which establishes a 0% VAT rate to the imports of COVID-19 vaccines and to the transportation, lodging and distribution services related to these imports. The measure will be in place until 31 December 2022.

<https://www.boe.es/buscar/act.php?id=BOE-A-2020-16823>

15. Please include any other relevant information you wish to share.