



Customs Brokers System

Japan Customs

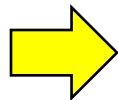
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Overview

- around 900 Customs brokers
- license system
- Registered Customs Specialist system
- Customs brokerage Act (1967)
- NOT mandatory to use brokers
- Common to use brokers
 - ex. more than 95% of export declarations

License system – to regulate brokers –

- Permission by Director-General of regional Customs is necessary
- Requirements
 - ex. sound financial balance, no violation of customs laws
- Permission can be revoked
- Business suspension order/punishment
- Subject to on site inspection



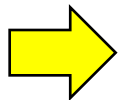
compliance



Registered Customs Specialist system

– for qualified brokers –

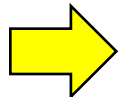
- Each Customs broker must allocate Registered Customs Specialist at all the offices/branches.
- Registered Customs Specialist is a professional for Customs clearance procedure.
 - National examination
 - more than 7400 Specialists
- Work Suspension order/punishment



professionalism

Customs-Business Partnership

- Customs Brokers Associations
 - ex. - advice to traders on import/export clearances
 - make proposals to the government
 - organize seminars and training
- Periodic meetings between Customs and the Association
- Organize Joint Trainings for Customs Brokers/Specialists



Better Communication

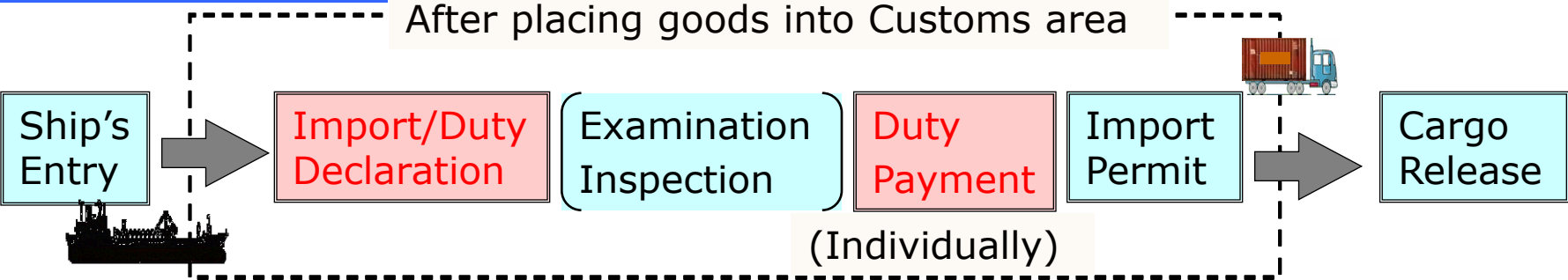
AEO Customs Brokers

- Introduced in April 2008
- 90 AEO Customs Brokers (as of February 2015)
- Requirements
 - ex.
 - enough experiences: more than 3 years
 - no record of violations of Customs related laws
 - set own compliance rules

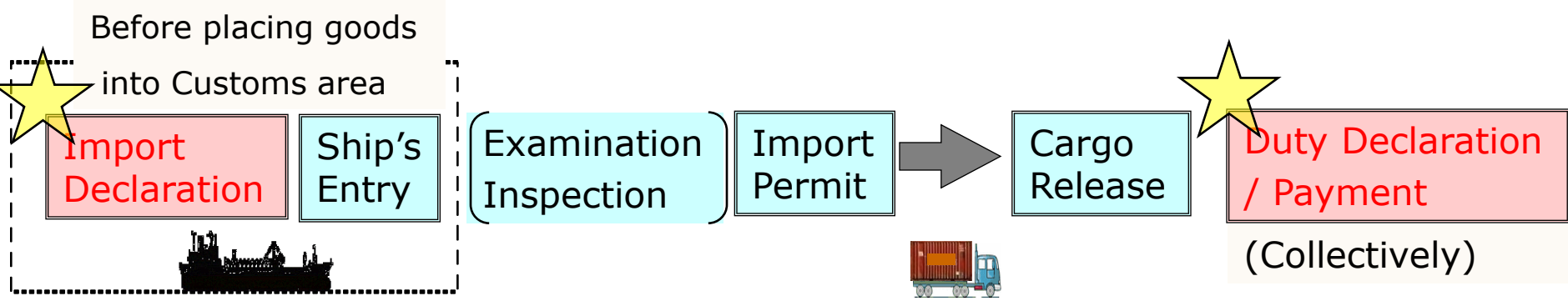
What is the benefits?

Benefits of AEO Customs Brokers: Imports

General Procedure



Procedure for AEO Customs Brokers





Thank you for your attention