



ICAT LOGISTICS, INC.

ESTABLISHING AN ACH PAYER ACCOUNT

REQUIREMENTS

Your financial institution must be a U.S. bank NACHA participant with Electronic Data Interchange capability. Importer payers must also have a federal identification number (tax ID number or social security number).

APPLICATION

Applying for ACH is very easy. Complete the attached form (CBP400) and submit it to Customs. Please note that an authorized signature must appear on the form at the bottom of the "Payer Information" section. Once the ACH application is received and approved, you will be assigned a unique payer unit number via return letter from Customs. Importers should contact their banks to advise them of the ACH arrangement to avoid the bank refusing the transfers.

PROCESS

The ACH process is simple. Approximately eight business days following the arrival and Customs clearance of your cargo, your broker transmits the duty payment authorization through the Automated Broker Interface (ABI). On that day, ICAT will also notify the importer of the payment and relative shipment details (Entry Summary, commercial invoice, etc). The payer's account is debited by Customs' bank within two additional business days and the funds transferred. The process is secure and eliminates the time-consuming use of cash or checks to pay duties, taxes and fees.

ADDITIONAL BENEFITS:

- Controls cash flow by identifying the exact day to allocate funds
- Allows for ten days to pay duties, taxes, and fees on quota and other special merchandise classes
- Reduces administrative and check processing costs
- Reduces administrative errors related to check processing
- Eliminates lost or stolen check problems
- Simplifies accounting system updates
- Reduces reconciliation costs

TO GET STARTED

Complete the [U.S. Customs ACH Debit Application](#). ICAT's information has been pre-filled for your convenience. The completed form may be faxed, mailed or emailed to the ACH Coordinator. Contact information is at the bottom of the form.

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