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When importing a deceased person arriving in a coffin or an urn containing ashes, the legislation of the country of dispatch is applied. You need to ask the embassy of the country in question what rules apply.

A death certificate or a cremation certificate must be presented upon import. Funeral decorations can be imported in personal luggage, or you can fill in a customs declaration regarding them. Flowers, wreaths and other ornamental objects, brought in by persons resident outside the EU territory who are attending a funeral or coming to decorate graves in the EU, are admitted free of import duties. You can submit the declaration yourself in Customs' online service.

### How to declare your goods

You can identify yourself in the Customs Clearance Service using your Finnish online banking ID codes, your mobile certificate or your certificate card. Please note that private individuals cannot use the Finnish Authenticator app to identify themselves.

Log into the service - Import declarations for businesses (Customs Clearance Service).

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- If you are submitting the declaration yourself, select "I represent myself".
- If you are lodging the declaration on behalf of a company, select "I act on behalf of some company". You need an authorisation to act on behalf of a company. More information on authorisations: This is how you grant a mandate in practice.


Click on + New declaration.

Select the declaration "Import, I am receiving goods".

In the box, select the country of dispatch from where the consignment is arriving and confirm the selection by clicking on the box. If the consignment is arriving in Finland from the Canary Islands (tax border declaration), select Spain as the country of dispatch. A customs declaration must be submitted also for consignments sent between Åland and mainland Finland. Guidance for this can be found on the page [Åland tax border trade](#) (in Finnish and Swedish).

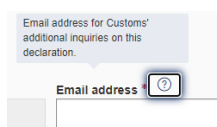
As the customs procedure code, select 40; Release for free circulation from other customs procedure

If you have an arrival ID or item tracking ID, enter it in the field. It is not a mandatory detail.


Customs declaration 

Click the customs declaration button to proceed to fill in the declaration.

When you click on the question mark with the left button of the mouse, you are shown information on the details to be provided in the field.



Email address for Customs' additional inquiries on this declaration.

Email address 

The details marked with a red asterisk are mandatory. This instruction covers the details you need when filling in the customs declaration.




Nature of transaction \* 

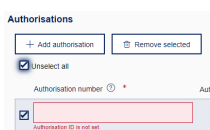
Nature of transaction is not set \*

If you have not filled in all the required details, the system will display the missing detail in red when you click on the Next button.


The declaration consists of three parts: Parties, Declaration header and Goods items. Fill in all parts and when complete, submit the declaration to Customs.

 [Help and documentation](#) 


More specific user instructions can be found in the top right corner under Help and documentation.



Authorisations

+ Add authorisation  Remove selected

Unselect all

Authorisation number  \* Autl

Authorisation ID is not set \*

If you have added details by mistake by clicking on, for example, **+ Add authorisation**, you must remove the additional fields before submitting the declaration. You can remove the field by ticking the box next to the detail you wish to remove and then ticking the box **Remove selected**.

## 1. Parties

Contact person

Use the details of the authenticated person

Name and email address of the person providing additional information.

Declarant

Use the details of the authenticated trader

You can tick the box under Declarant to fill in automatically some of the details based on the authentication. In the declarant details, you provide the name, address, postal code and city of the person responsible for the data content of the declaration. Enter the business identifier in the field Identification number. For private individuals, enter the personal identity code and for foreign nationals, the country code and date of birth (ddmmyy), e.g. US210360.



Country \* 

FI - Finland 

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You can select the country code in the dropdown list.

**Importer** Use the details of the authenticated trader

You can tick the box under Importer to fill in automatically some of the details based on the authentication. In the Importer details, you enter the name, address, postal code, city and country code of the consignee. Enter the business identifier in the field Identification number. For private individuals, enter the personal identity code and for foreign nationals, the country code and date of birth (ddmmyy), e.g. US210360.

**Exporter**

Enter the details of the sender under Exporter. In the Exporter details, you enter the sender's name, address, postal code, city and country.

When you have provided all the details, click on **Next**.

## 2. Declaration header

**Trader reference** is a mandatory detail that you give to the customs declaration yourself.

Select A as the **Additional declaration type** if the consignment is in Finland. If the consignment hasn't arrived yet, choose D as additional declaration type. You can provide a pre-lodged declaration of type D only if, when lodging the declaration, you have access to the details of the previous document provided by the transport company. In such cases, you must provide the entry summary declaration or T1 transit as the previous document. It is not possible to select an additional declaration type in a tax border declaration.

Leave the field **Tax determination date** empty. It should only be filled in if the consignment has been imported to Finland at an earlier date and the customs declaration is lodged retrospectively.

Value details, such as **Total amount invoiced and Invoice currency** should be left blank.

Enter the **Total gross mass (kg)** of the consignment

Under **Nature of transaction**, enter code 99 – Other (not specified).

**The Delivery terms** are provided using an INCOTERMS code. You can for example select the terms XXX – Other delivery terms. The field **Location (UN/LOCODE)** should be left blank.

Under **Location**, you provide the location, for example Helsinki, and under **Country**, which is a mandatory field, you provide FI – Finland.

Under **Transport information**, you should first provide the mode of transport and the nationality of the means of transport that crosses the border of the EU territory.

Under **Inland transport mode**, you should provide the means of transport on which the consignment has been brought or will be brought to the location. The location can be, for example, the customs office of entry to which the consignment has been carried by sea or road.

Arrival transport means		
Inland transport mode * ⓘ	Identification of means of transport on arrival * ⓘ	Type of identification * ⓘ
4 - Air transport	AY1314	40 - IATA flight number

In the **Route** details, enter the country of dispatch (e.g. China) and the destination country (e.g. Finland). These details are prefilled in a tax border declaration.

In the details on **Locations**, you should provide the Identification of warehouse (format: F1234567-800101) if the consignment is in, for example, a customs warehouse. If the goods are at the customs office of entry, provide the address details of the customs office.

The **Proposed control location** is B – **Authorised place** if, for example, the consignment is in a customs warehouse (Qualifier of location X and warehouse identifier F1234567-800101). If the consignment is not in a warehouse, select D – **Other**. Enter the address of the location: street address, postal code and city.

Do not select Add information if you do not have additional information to submit with the declaration.

**Do not remove the additional information code FIPDF, because you need the decision in PDF format**

Enter the container ID, if the consignment arrives in a container.

When you have provided all the details, click on **Next**.

### 3. Goods items

#### Goods item 1

Add the **previous procedure** 00 – No previous procedure.

Additional procedure ⓘ	
C41 - Coffins, burial urns and funeral decorations	+ Add

Choose as **additional procedure** C41 Coffins, burial urns and funeral decorations. **Confirm the selection by clicking on the + Add button.**

F15 - Goods introduced in the context of trade with special fiscal territories (H5-EU)

In tax border declarations, the **additional procedure** F15 is prefilled. Also, add **additional procedure** C41.

**Origin country** is a mandatory detail, so provide the country of dispatch here.

As **commodity code** for the consignment, enter 9919000040 - Coffins containing bodies, funerary urns containing the ashes of deceased persons and ornamental funerary articles. Do not include spaces in the commodity code.

As the **goods description**, describe the content of the consignment, e.g. funerary urn containing ashes or ornamental funerary articles.

Under **Kind of packages**, you should provide the package type (e.g. BX – Box, CJ – Coffin or NA – Urn), the number of packages and shipping marks. If the packages are unmarked, enter the text “No markings”.

A **previous document** must always be provided. Ask the freight carrier to provide the type of the previous document and the MRN, as well as the sequence number of the goods item. The goods item sequence number is not needed in the case of transit declarations. If you are transporting the consignment yourself, provide ZZZ as the document type and the date of arrival as the reference.

As **Additional documents**, enter the death certificate and, if needed, the cremation certificate in their own rows with additional document code 1ZZZ. You can add additional documents by clicking on + Add document.

Enter the **net mass** of the consignment

Enter the **statistical value** of the consignment. The statistical value cannot be 0.

The **transaction price (Invoice line)** is a mandatory detail. Enter the transaction price using the value 0 EUR – Euro.

As the **valuation method**, select 6 – Value based on the data available.

As the **preference code**, select 100 – Tariff arrangement erga omnes.

You can add additional goods items by clicking on + Add goods item.

If the declaration is complete, you can click on **Next**.

**Validation errors**[Parties > Exporter](#)

C0618 - This detail is mandatory, except in customs warehousing, where it must not be provided.

If you have not provided all the required details, the system will display a validation error on the page Summary and submission, and this will help you find the detail that is missing. In this example, the missing detail is found in the tab Parties under the heading Exporter. The details on the Exporter are missing from the declaration.

When the declaration is complete, send the declaration by clicking on the **Submit** button. After the declaration has been successfully submitted, the declaration has the status Accepted and is given an MRN as a reference number. Completed decisions can be found on the page Summary and Submission under Documents.