



Trade Support Network (TSN) Request for Membership

TSN Membership

1. Membership in the TSN is generally open to companies and associations interested in the development and implementation of ACE and modernization efforts. TSN members should be willing to actively contribute to ACE development. Active contribution includes a willingness to work on committees and working groups.
2. A trade participant that would like to be considered for TSN membership may submit a request via email to tradesupportnetwork@cbp.dhs.gov. This request should indicate the type of business to be represented and the proposed TSN point of contact.
3. The TCC (Trade Committee Co-chairs) will be responsible for approving or disapproving membership in the TSN as determined by majority vote. The TCC intends to ensure a comprehensive TSN that is representative of all trade community interests. CBP will maintain a list of TSN members, including identification by membership categories (e.g., importer, broker).
4. The hallmark of the TSN community is the strength it provides through its collaborative teamwork. TSN members should strive to give and receive constructive criticism and to similarly strive for creative solutions to challenges, respecting other members and differences of opinion, and maintaining civility, courtesy, and reasonableness when presenting opinions.
5. TSN members fully accept responsibility for their actions. Any TSN member whose actions do not reflect favorably on the TSN will be held accountable and may lose TSN membership and/or privileges at the discretion of the TCC.

Committee/Subcommittee Ground Rules

1. Once a person has been approved for TSN membership he/she may request to join a Committee/Subcommittee. To request Committee/Subcommittee membership, an individual should contact the trade chair(s) for that Committee/Subcommittee. The decision to accept a new Committee member will be made by the Committee/Subcommittee trade chair(s). The inquiring party will be notified of the decision of the trade chair(s) via email.
2. To remain on a Committee/Subcommittee, participants must be active Committee/Subcommittee members. "Active" is defined as consistency in the following areas: attendance at meetings, participation in conference calls, input to requests for comments, input into the trade requirement recommendations process and submission of information on an "as needed" basis.
3. Committee -chair(s) may determine if/when a trade participant is no longer active in the Committee pursuant to TSN Committee membership rules. In that case, the Committee chair(s) may decide to send the "less than active" committee member written notification (via email) that he/she may be removed from the Committee membership if a more active role in the Committee is not taken.

The TSN Trade participants and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) welcome your interest in becoming a member of the Trade Support Network (TSN).

Company/Association Name:

Company Address:

Company Type (Broker, Forwarder, Importer, Exporter, Manufacturer, Developer):

Contact (Name of TSN Participant):

Cell Phone Number:

E-Mail Address:

Alternate (or Additional TSN Participant):

Cell Phone Number:

E-Mail Address:

Web Address:

Purpose for Joining and Area of Interest:

Date Submitted:

Date Approved:

*Please see reverse or additional pages containing TSN Charter.