

Commercial Customs Operations Advisory Committee (COAC) Government Issue Paper: Broker Exam Working Group

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Action Required: Informational

Background:

Broker Exam Working Group Initiative

- CBP initiated the working group to bring in knowledgeable brokers, importers and educators to advise and work with CBP on the exam process.
- The working group was created to address all aspects of the Customs Broker License Exam (CBLE) and receive advice to make the exam process more efficient and attainable.
- CBP is working with the trade to enhance the CBLE and make it a greater experience.

Issue:

Broker Exam Working Group Initiative

- Trade community members continue to request modifications to address CBLE testing processes and procedures.

Current Status:

Broker Exam Working Group Initiative

- This is a new COAC working group. Meetings have been going well and great progress has been made on short-term and long-term goals for modernizing the broker's exam.
- The working group continues to discuss COVID-19 contingency plans for the upcoming broker's exam. A draft decision tree has been created and will be presented to the working group.

Next Steps:

Broker Exam Working Group Initiative

- Review and update CBLE questions, take back comments, and update questions as needed.
- Continue to discuss and work through COVID-19 contingency plans.