Enforcement Database

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What is it?

The Enforcement Database is an IT database built on existing official registers such as TM-view and Design view. It is the only data base endorsed by both DG TAXUD and Europol. It is agreed with both Customs and Police to make it operational by adding the tool into their internal secure network. Furthermore the tool will allow right holders to file their application for action (AFA) electronically directly in to the customs system (COPIS).

With little effort you can help customs and police to protect your products against counterfeiting and piracy, by recording in the tool relevant information about your products.

And you have the reassurance of knowing that your information is perfectly safe and secure.

How does it work?

Enforcement professionals such as customs and police often don't have all the information they need to recognise counterfeited goods. The Enforcement Database provides a central repository of information on products, uploaded by you as a right holder. This could be pictures of your products which are protected by trademark or design rights, or any other relevant information about the products in question, like details about your company, contact persons for enforcement matters, logistic, prior cases, identifiers, packaging or any information that you believe would be useful for enforcement authorities to separate the fake from the genuine. All information you provide will be translated into the official languages of EU. The Enforcement Database is set up to allow you to enter the information that you think is the most relevant and useful.

The information you have entered into the Enforcement Database can then be accessed by customs authorities and police across the EU in their language. Of course, you can choose what information and to whom you want this information to be available to.

Once you have an account and have uploaded information regarding your products and IP rights the tool can automatically generate a prefilled Application for Action (AFA) with all the necessary information for customs to take action at the border on your behalf.

How to register?

The use of the tool is free of charge. If you want to apply for an account in the Enforcement Database, you need to have a valid registered trademark within the EU but that is the only prerequisite. If this is the case, please send an e-mail to:

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