

Diploma in World Customs Compliance and Regulations

The Institute of Export and International Trade

Established in 1935, the IOE seeks to enhance the UK's export performance by setting and raising professional standards in international trade management and export practice.

Entry Requirements

- 19 years of age or over.
- Successful completion of the Advanced Certificate in International Trade (ACIT).
- Candidates with an existing Degree from a recognised University and / or more than 5 years' experience in international trade will be considered for direct entry to the Diploma.

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- Provided by the Institute of Export and International Trade, this online course is designed to fit around a full-time career and can be taken at a pace that suits **you**.
- Online study is supported by contact with your tutors, webinars, video sessions and podcasts.
- This course is equivalent to to NVQ level 5.
- The course modules cover 3 main areas:
 1. Customs Compliance and Regulation – Worldwide
 2. Customs Compliance and Regulation – UK/European Union
 3. Customs Compliance and Regulation – United Kingdom
- Additionally, there will be a project based assessment to demonstrate your ability to apply the knowledge. Drawing from the learning completed in previous modules, project work permits the student to choose an area of International Trade & Customs Compliance that best suits their individual and/or company requirements. With reference material and practical tutor support the student can move into a more specific area on a project basis.

Features of the course

- An online campus, with detailed written materials and research data, supported by virtual lectures and online workshops to help you understand the course subjects.
- Telephone/e-mail support from your tutor to ensure your understanding.
- Interim assignments and self-test questions to prepare you for the final assessment.
- A study planner for each module.

Each module is completed by means of an assessment. Assessments usually comprise a 3000 word report linked to the practical application of Customs procedures in the working environment – students have 6 weeks to research and complete the assessment.

Course Outline

1. Worldwide

This aims to detail the procedures involved in dealing with trade from the UK to outside of the EU, ensuring you understand the following topic areas:

- How World Customs is Organised
 - The History and Structure of the International Regulator and Bodies
 - Development of International Conventions & Instruments
 - Key aims of international Customs Authorities
- Practical Aspects of International Customs Procedures
 - Structure of the Tariff and Tariff Controls
 - International Guidelines on Customs Valuation Rules
 - International Guidelines on the Rules of Origin
 - Initiatives on Supply Chain Security & Partnership with Trade



2. UK/European Union

This aims to detail the procedures involved in dealing with UK to EU trade, ensuring you understand the following topic areas:

- The European Union as a customs union
 - The History and Structure of the European Customs Union
 - The EU Customs Code and International Trade Regulations
 - EU Systems, Tools and Documentation controls
- EU customs code and the union customs code developments
 - EU Customs Tariff
 - Customs Duty Management & Tariff Measures
 - EU Valuation of Goods for Customs Purposes
 - EU Preferential Trade Agreements
- Authorised Economic Operator Status
 - What AEO Status is and the benefits
 - General principles of applying to be AEO approved
- Customs Procedure and regimes



3. United Kingdom

This aims to detail the procedures involved in dealing with UK to UK trade, ensuring you understand the following topic areas:

- HM Revenue & Customs and other controlling bodies
- Customs Declarations
 - Declaring goods to HMRC
 - Maintaining and reporting the information required for declarations
- 3rd Country customs procedures in the UK
 - Storage Procedures
 - Customs Procedures and Processing Regimes
 - Temporary Movements and Returned Goods
 - Transit Procedures and Triangulation
- Non-Fiscal Controls
 - Export Licensing Controls
 - Import Licensing Controls



Student Testimonials

Students have a high level of satisfaction with our courses, here's what they had to say:

"These are qualifications that employers recognise and value and obtaining these qualifications has greatly assisted my career."

K. Willars - Thermofisher

"[the course helped me in understanding] the nuts and bolts of international trade, from shipping through to legal considerations, and provided frameworks and case studies to help with day-to-day responsibilities."

N. Rowlands - Dairy Crest

"This has been incredibly important for maintaining my credibility for assisting and supporting our companies with their international ambitions."

M. Murray - Scottish Enterprise

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Course Fees

- Enrolment Fee £1,250.00
- Annual Student Membership £60.00
- Assessment fees (per module, not required to be paid until assessments are taken) £130.00
- Alternatively, you can take specific modules individually priced at £500 per module, also subject to membership and assessment fees.

Additional Benefits

Students are provided the opportunity to access a wide range of learning benefits, including access to industry leading research material, an archive of industry publications and access to industry speakers.

Study groups and student forums are important aspects of the qualification providing the opportunity for the student to network and form learning groups.

Students can also purchase the NUS Extras Card providing a wide range of discounts at retail stores, restaurants and cinema chains.

Completion time

82 Hours for each of the 3 modules and 26 hours for the project based assessment. The course has to be completed within 4 years, but the usual period of study is 15 months. These are recommended hours only, as the completion time will vary from student to student.

On successful completion of the Diploma, students will qualify for Graduate Membership of the Institute and will be entitled to use the suffix of MIEx (Grad).

The Cost of Export Mistakes

- A university had a bill for £125k for not completing a simplified IPR bill of discharge when goods were re-exported.
- A company used a duty relief scheme for imports by charities but did not fulfill the conditions of the customs procedure, which resulted in a debt of over £500k.
- A supplier to the airline industry imported goods under their end use approval but the goods were imported to incorrect tariff codes and the goods did not qualify for end use – retrospective demand for £60k.
- No approval for removal of waste materials which were left after goods had been imported under IPR – the cost to one chemical company was £220k.

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