

PREPARE FOR CARM CUTOVER PERIOD

Effective October 21, 2024 the CBSA Assessment and Revenue Management (CARM) system will become the official system for importers and other trade chain partners (TCPs) to account for their goods and pay applicable duties and taxes owed to the Canada Border Services Agency. In preparation for CARM, CBSA will implement a cut-over period to migrate their existing systems.

The CARM cutover period will extend from October 5 to October 21.

While goods will still be released during the cutover period, CBSA will not process the final accounting, and registration for the CARM Client Portal will not be available.

All importers must register on the CARM Client Portal and delegate authority to Frontier prior to the cut-over period, by Oct 4th.

All importers must obtain financial security and will no longer be able to rely on their customs' brokers bond to participate in the RPP program. CBSA will implement a 180-day transition period at the time of implementation. This transition period allows importers who have not yet secured their RPP bond, to do so.

We encourage importers to obtain their financial security or obtain a bond in advance to ensure a smooth transition and avoid any disruptions.

We will invoice importers as usual and before the CBSA final accounting. This may result in adjustment invoices if any changes to the Commercial Accounting Declaration (CAD) are necessary.

In addition, importers will no longer be able to use their brokers E29B bond for Temporary Importations, and should consider their E29B needs when securing their own bond.

During the cutover period and for a period of 90 calendar days following the October 21, 2024 implementation, the CBSA will not be issuing late accounting penalties, late payment penalties and late payment interest.