

# FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE (FTZ) MANAGEMENT™

REDUCE DUTY AND COMPLIANCE OVERHEAD COSTS



U.S. Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ), commonly referred to as Free Trade Zone, Export Processing Zones, or Special Economic Zones, are designated areas regulated by U.S. Customs and Border Patrol (CBP). These “Zones” help considerably increase a global company’s competitiveness through proper management, elimination, or reduction of customs duties, taxes, and tariffs, which results in lower costs of goods sold and inventory carrying costs.

The Foreign-Trade Zone process can be very onerous to manage manually, especially with high-volume operations. OCR’s FTZ eases this burden by integrating with the OCR EASE™ import and export modules to efficiently bring finished products into the U.S. or foreign commerce. FTZ also integrates with third party inventory management software so that companies can file the necessary forms with U.S. Customs.

## KEY BENEFITS

- Calculate the duty deferral available from a particular customs program
- Properly document qualification for admitting products into a foreign- trade zone without paying duties or fees
- Determine applicable tariffs on U.S. component items or raw materials
- Automated weekly U.S. Customs entry filing
- Manage transshipping operations and determine reductions in manufacturing processing fees
- Identify capabilities of cross-docking and transferring goods without paying customs duties

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## WHY USE FOREIGN-TRADE ZONES

Foreign-Trade Zones allow companies to bring items into the U.S. and store these goods for future use without paying any duty or tariff. While in the "Zone," merchandise may be assembled, cleaned, destroyed, manipulated, manufactured, mixed, processed, relabeled, repackaged or repaired.

By utilizing a foreign-trade zone in their global supply chain strategy, companies can realize several benefits when importing their finished product into the U.S., including:

- Duty deferral (cash flow savings)
- Duty elimination (Exports & Scrap)
- Duty reduction for manufacturers (Inverted tariff relief)
- Ad valorem (Inventory) tax exemption from States and municipalities
- No time constraints on storage
- Satisfaction of exportation requirements
- Lower security and insurance costs

## SECURE COMMUNICATIONS

- Support secure access protocols and user authentication to Active Directory using LDAP, SAML 2.0 and Single Sign-On (SSO) tools
- Secure web forms support any secure transmission with 256 bit encryption and storage in a Relational Database Management System (RDBMS), such as, MS SQL or Oracle

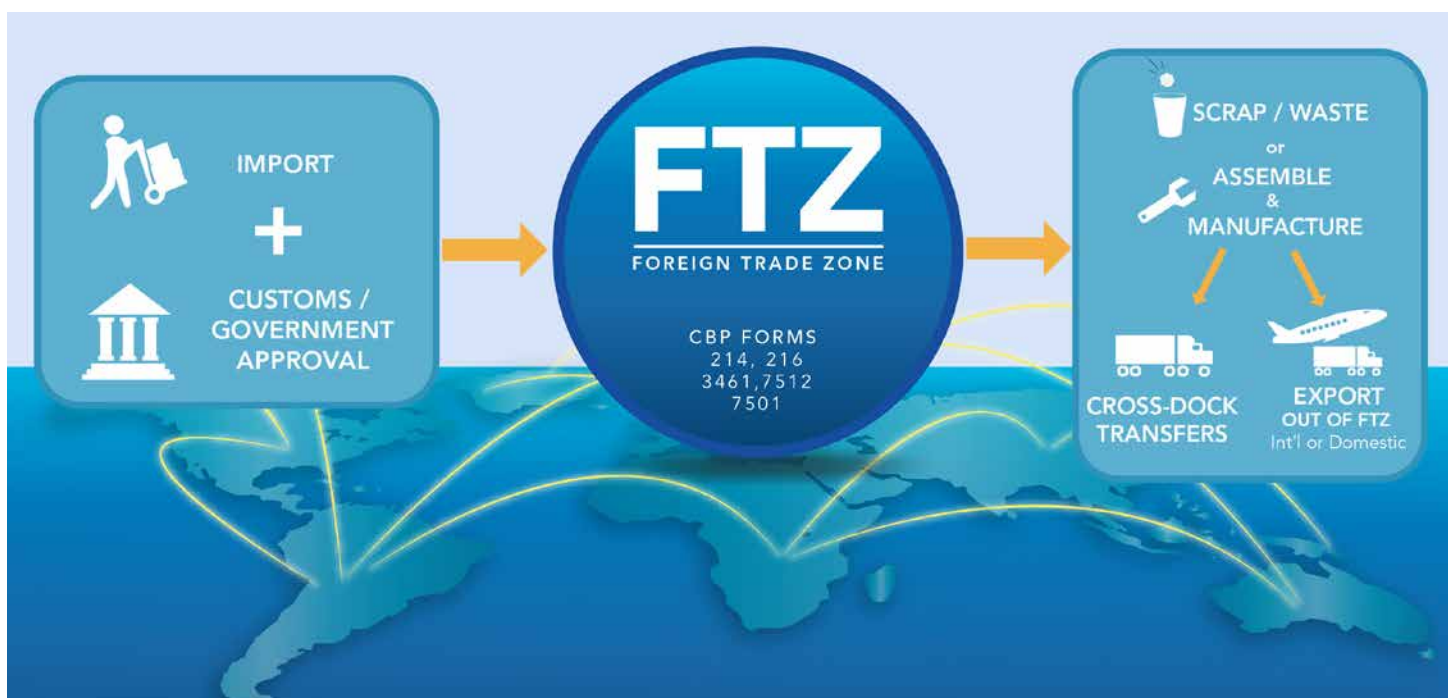
## SUPPORT FOR CBP FORMS:

- 214 for Admission to FTZ
- 216 for correction to 214
- 7512 In-Bond Permit To Transfer
  - QP/WP In-Bond movement of goods by rail/ocean/truck from port of arrival to FTZ
  - QX/WX for In-Bond movement by AIR),
- 7501, Customs Entry Weekly Summary
- 3461, Customs Release, Individual

Limit the Merchandise Processing Fee (MPF) paid to CBP to only \$485 per week by submitting just one entry per week for all shipments from the FTZ using CF-7501



## KEY ELEMENTS OF FTZ WORKFLOW



### ENHANCED CAPABILITIES WITH EASE™:

Integrates seamlessly with OCR's Export Operations™, Import Operations™ and Product Classification™ modules

Automatic Data Sharing among modules:

- Compliance Requests – Submit request for Import or Export Authorizations
- Product Classification™ stores tariff classification as well as Free Trade Agreement data
- Use OCR ViaNet to access Regulations:

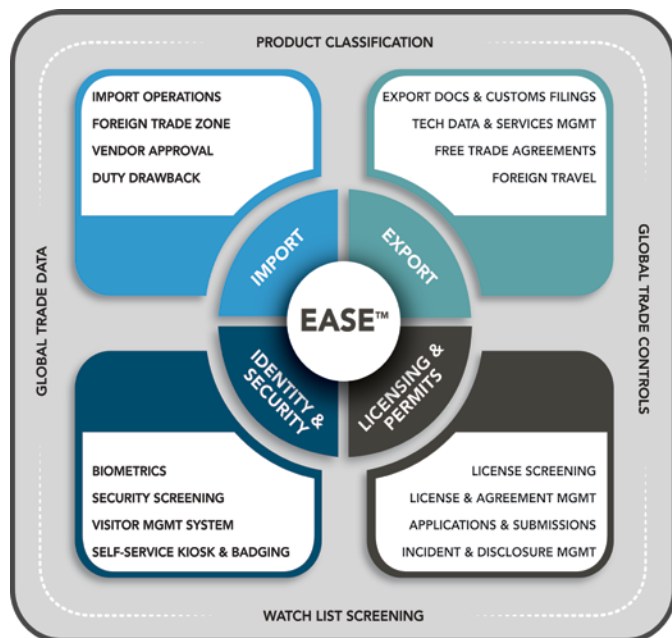
- o Up to date trade data and regulatory tables from Government Agencies





## ABOUT OCR

As the foremost expert on Governance, Risk and Compliance (GRC) for international trade, OCR is trusted by Fortune 500 multi-national corporations, government agencies, and small businesses worldwide, to ensure compliance for cross-border transaction through a comprehensive solution that improves operations, complies with government regulations, saves money and provides a competitive advantage.



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## EXPORT AND IMPORT WITH EASE

### EASE SUITE OF SOLUTIONS

The Foreign Trade Zone module is one of 16 modules in the OCR **EASE** suite of products

- E**xpedite Trade Flow
- A**void Regulatory Fines
- S**ave Operating Costs
- E**nhance Supply Chain Security

EASE is a suite of scalable and configurable solutions designed to help clients automate and simplify their cross-border trading operations and address ever-changing international regulations.

All EASE modules are easily integrated with each other and third party solutions. They will automatically share data and documents seamlessly.

EASE software can be installed behind a firewall or implemented as a hosted service. Our Software as a Service (SaaS) platform operate in secure global data centers which are SSAE Certified with redundant failover and high availability bandwidth with full data encryption.

EASE global trade management is configurable with Global Trade Control and Data for over 180 countries.

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