

# CUSTOMER ADVISORY

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- **ELECTRONIC REFUND PROCESS** - Per the [Electronic Refunds Interim Final Rule](#) published January 2, 2026 in the Federal Register, followed by [Cargo Systems Messaging Service \(CSMS\) # 67270895 - Electronic Refunds Interim Final Rule Effective February 6, 2026](#), Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will issue all refunds electronically **effective February 6, 2026**. This rule applies to refunds issued to all importers, brokers, filers, sureties, service providers, facility operators, foreign trade zone operators, and carriers, and any designated third parties listed on CBP Form 4811. **After this date, CBP will not issue any refunds by check, unless a waiver has been approved.** Comments on the [Interim Final Rule](#) are due March 3, 2026. Also refer: [CSMS # 67305746- Effective February 6, 2026](#) & review: [CBP Modernizes Electronic Refund Enrollment Process](#). For importers and other parties who may receive CBP-issued refunds after February 5, 2026, review [CBP's Electronic Refund Enrollment Reference Sheet](#) and take any necessary steps to ensure readiness for this mandatory transition. CBP's final "User Readiness Support Call": Wednesday, February 11, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. EST, [Join via Microsoft Teams](#).
- [CSMS # 67590021](#) – Follow-up to [CSMS # 67055632](#).... providing further clarification on National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) seafood import restrictions, effective January 1, 2026.

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- [Learning Guide to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule \(HTS\) of the United States 2026 HTS Revision 2](#)
- [The U.S. Department of Agriculture – Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service \(USDA-APHIS\): Plant and Plant Product Imports and Exports](#) - for importers/exporters of goods regulated under the Lacey Act, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ), etc.
- [International Trade Administration \(ITA\) Webinar, Exporting Industrial Machinery to Brazil, Wed., Feb.11, 2026, 12:00-1:30 PM EST](#)

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