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Self Introduction Who am I?



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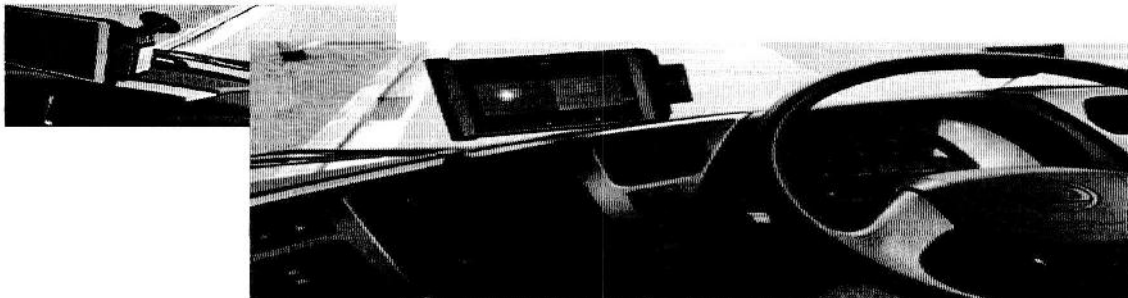
Outline

- 1.0 Electronic Container Trucking System (eCTS)
- 2.0 Container Management System (CMS)
- 3.0 Electronic Container Equipment Interchange Receipt (e-CEIR)

1.0 Electronic Container Trucking System (e-CTS)

1.1 Information of Electronic Container Trucking System

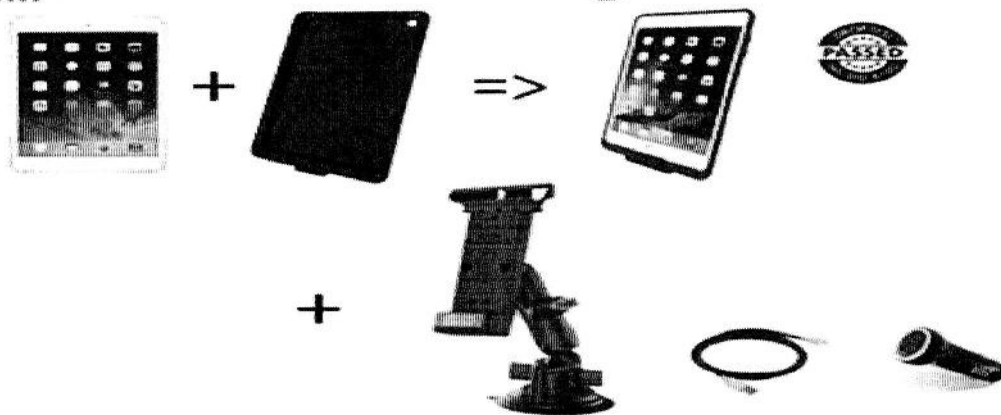
Launch in August 2016, **eCTS** is Electronic Container Trucking System. It provides a common IT platform that allows different players in the container logistics industry to effectively and efficiently communicate with one another. This results in the streamlining of container logistics operations, improvement of container supply chain visibility and provides the foundation for future applications to be developed.



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1.2 eCTS Devices

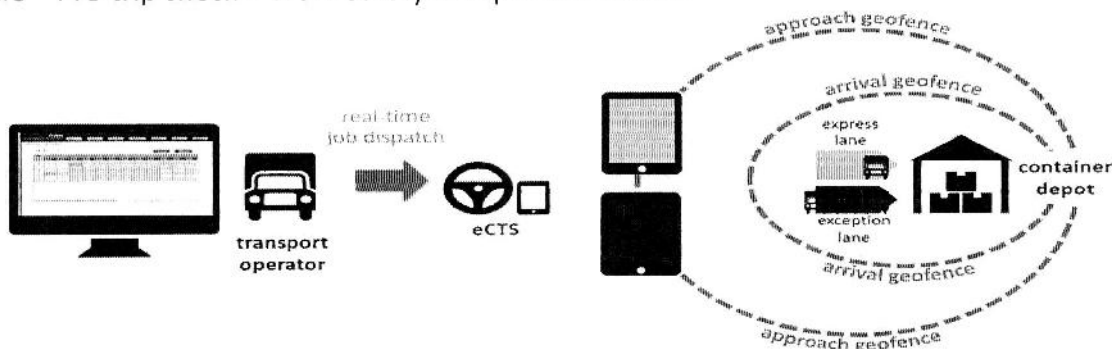
eCTS device and mounting



1.0 Electronic Container Trucking System (e-CTS)

1.3 Main Features of the eCTS

- #1 Direct link to CMS Live Portal. One single portal to manage your trucking operations. (All under the CMS Live Portal).
- #2 Geofence and eGate - Automated Entry (eGate) into Empty Depots.
- #3 Pre-trip check – Work Safety Compliance record.



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1.3 Main Features of the eCTS (Cont.)

- #4 eCTS can run as an application on both Apple (iOS) and Android Operating Systems, allowing users to easily access the platform through smart devices.
- #5 By connecting various parties together on a single IT platform, eCTS provides seamless communication, the automation of administrative processes and increased accountability over containers.
- #6 The eCTS is designed as an open platform that can be easily connected to other industry systems, e.g. warehousing systems and airfreight systems. In the long term, the eCTS can be connected to these industry systems and the National Trade Platform to achieve a national digital trade infrastructure.
- #7 eCTS will also consist of the Container Equipment Interchange Receipt (CEIR) module. CEIR is the technical reference for container conditions recording developed by CDAS to improve accountability of container damages and reduce disputes. The inclusion of the CEIR modules will digitise and automate container conditions recording, making CEIR easy to use.

1.0 Electronic Container Trucking System (e-CTS)

1.3 Main Features of the eCTS (Cont.)

- #8 Other features:
 - > Notifications Visibility for Drivers. Industry (Depot/Port) broadcast visibility to drivers.
 - > Manage & Track Haulier's Fleet.
 - > Real Time Transaction Records.
 - > Better Communication with Drivers.
 - > Multi-language message to Drivers.
 - > Two way text messaging with the depot gates and port (able to send alerts depots on truck's arrival automatically, update on activity status).
 - > Send documents directly to drivers electronically.
 - > No software purchase / installation necessary as the solution is completely web-based. Quick and Easy Installation of tablet onto vehicles (no longer require to send truck down to the vendor premises for any firmware upgrading).

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1.3 Main Features of the eCTS (Cont.)

#9 eGate SOP

- Truck arrives with eGate enabled “Green Lane” means
 - DHC cashless is in place
 - All paperwork is correct
 - Within the notification time slot
- Able to proceed directly to the next point of action, which is getting the container mounted.
- Truck arrives with eGate enabled “Red Lane”
 - Apply for all containers which are being drop off at the depot as they require: Third Party Survey prior to gate in.
 - Check if required to pay DHC at gate or on account (GIRO)
 - Check if any other charges to be paid in cash, such as detention or demurrage.
 - Check if survey be carried out by surveyor and if need to pay any third party claims.
 - Check if within the notification time slot, too early or too late?

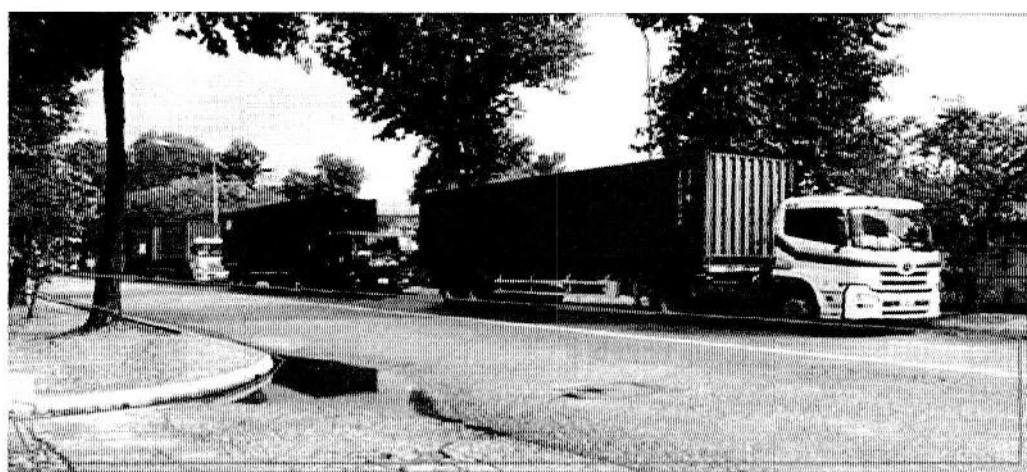
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1.4 The use of Geofence



Approach and Boundary Geofence

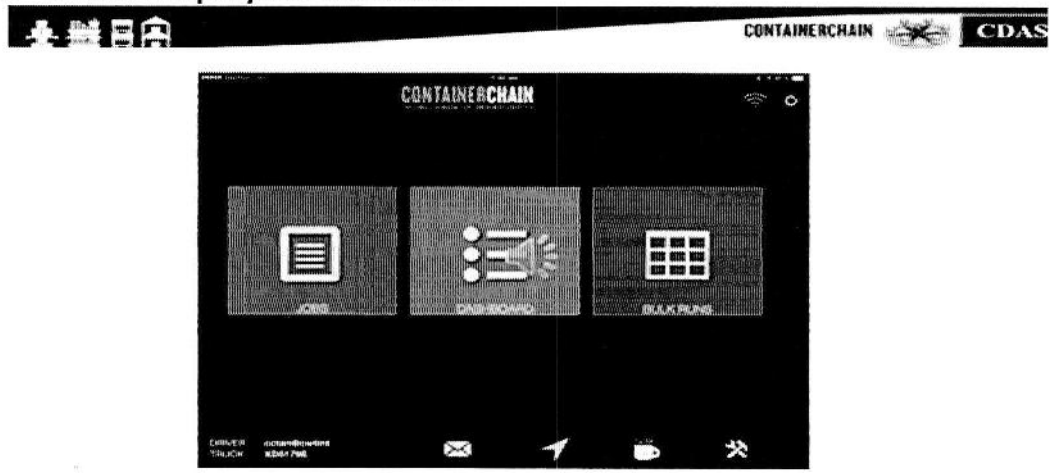
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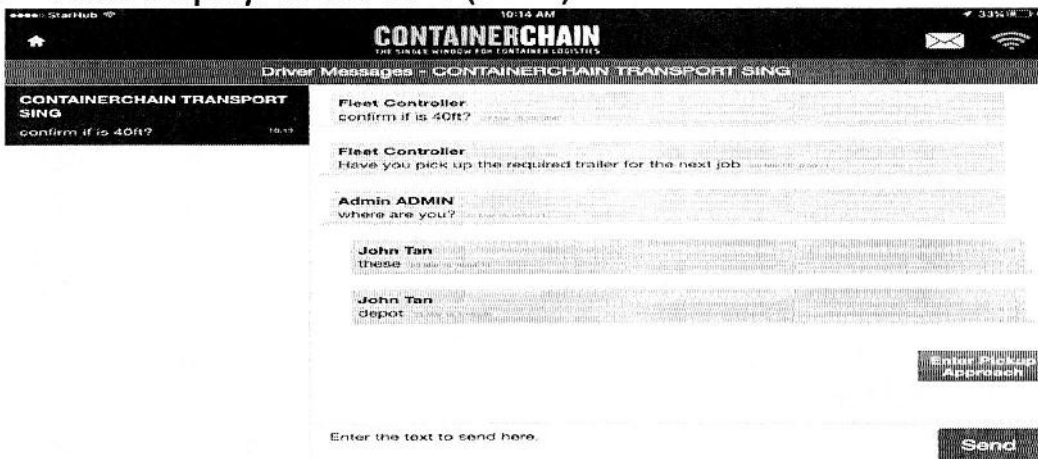
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1.5 Some Displays of the eCTS



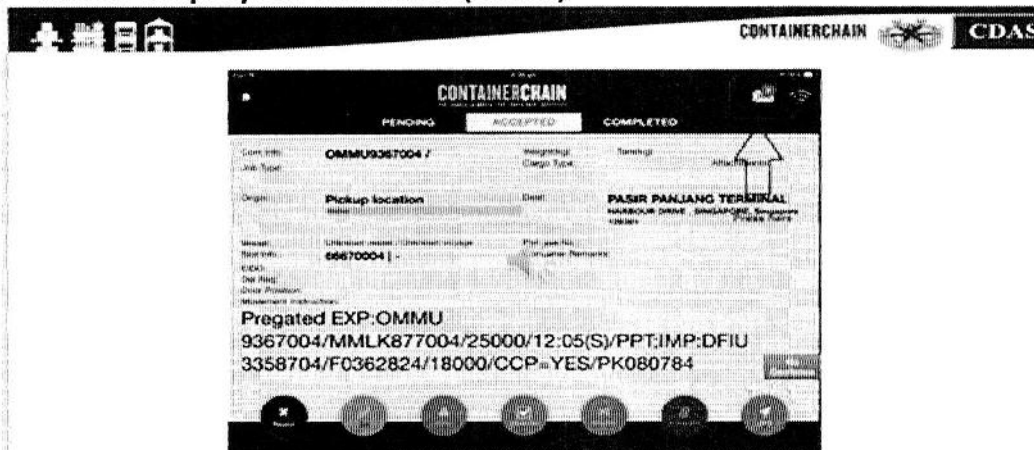
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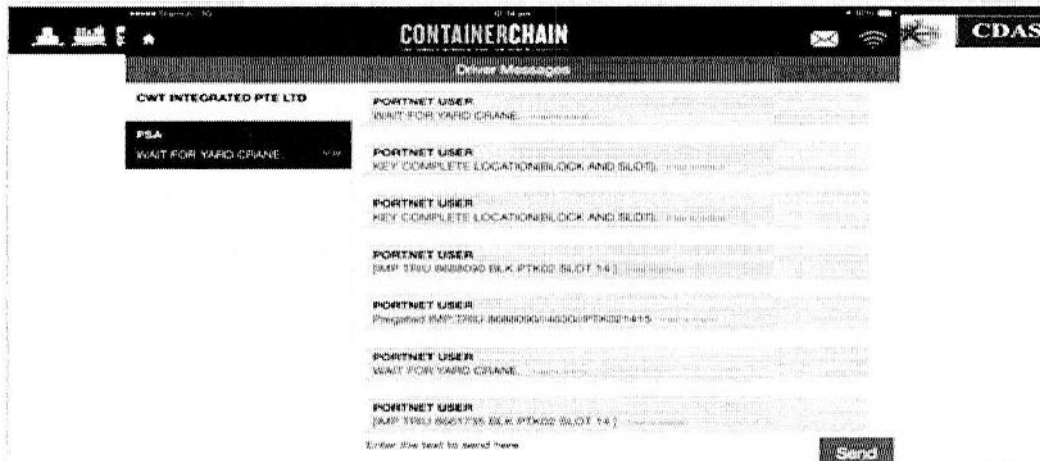
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1.0 Electronic Container Trucking System (e-CTS)

1.6 Benefits of eCTS

- (1) Reduction of waiting times at queues at the depot - Waiting time at the container depots estimated to be reduced by 30%.
- (2) Reduction of fuel costs due to idling - Idling time for the truck drivers estimated to be reduced by 2 hours/day.
- (3) Increase in revenue for container trucking companies - With the time savings \$9,600 of potential additional revenue per truck/year.
- (4) Better working conditions for container truck drivers - Digitisation of administrative procedures will allow drivers to focus on their core work.
- (5) Improve visibility and enhancement of communications of the stakeholders.

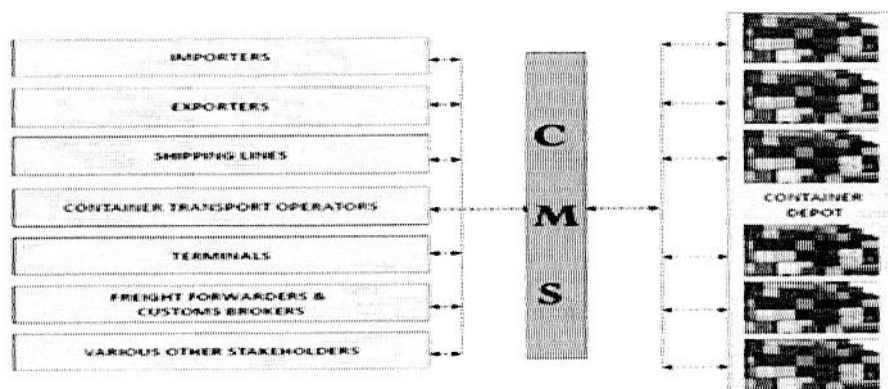
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2.1 Information on the CMS

- (1). The Container Management System (CMS) was officially launched in 2014 and today, the system has been adopted by over 90% of the container depots in Singapore.
- (2). CMS is a web-based communication link between hauliers and empty container depots.
- (3). It is an information and visibility portal for the entire container logistics community, including shipping lines and cargo owners. It allows the users to view, track and deploy the containers effectively.
- (4). New Functions were added to the CMS (wef 01 July 2015):
 - * DHC cashless collection
 - * Bulk Run Notification Booking
 - * Shipping Line Web-portal.

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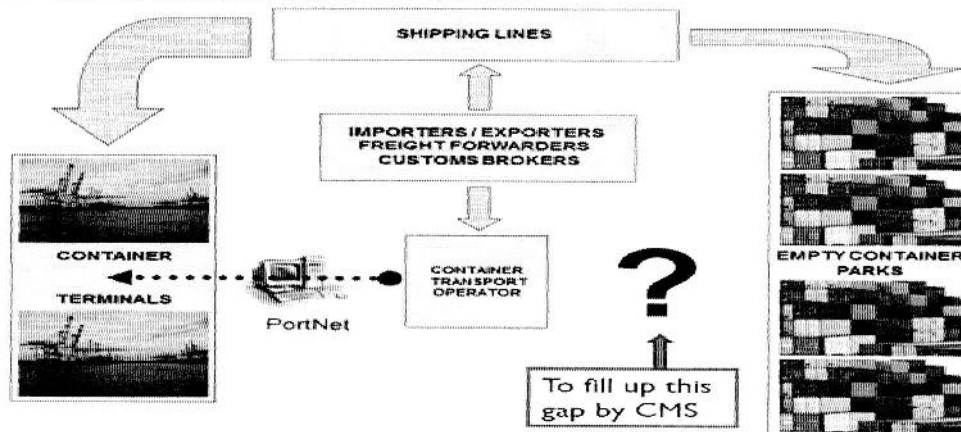
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2.0 Container Management System (CMS)

2.2 Plugging the "Information Gap"

CMS fills the information 'gap' that existed in the management of empty containers, as depicted graphically below:



2.0 Container Management System (CMS)

2.3 The Objectives of CMS

- #1 The objective of the CMS is to virtually link up all container logistics stakeholders and provide a common communication platform to increase the efficiency and improve the container supply chain productivity and, especially at the empty container depots.
- #2 CMS provides a booking system for truck arrivals at the empty container depot.
- #3 CMS provides a number of benefits to hauliers as well as other players (such as Importers/Exporters, Freight Forwarders, Customs Brokers, and Shipping Lines) in the industry.
- #4 CMS enable automated real time information flow between shipping lines, empty container depots, container hauliers and PSA.

2.0 Container Management System (CMS)

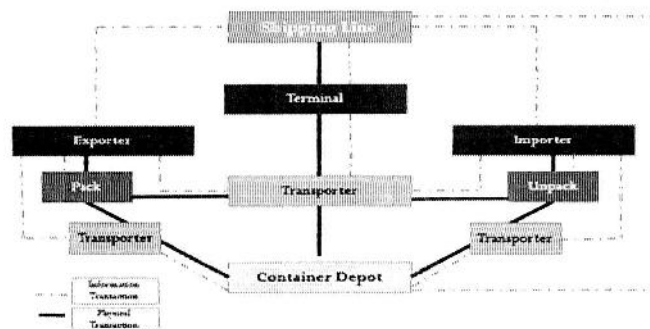
2.3 The Objectives of CMS (Cont.)

- #5 CMS provides container supply chain stakeholders the ability to automate existing manual processes.
- #6 CMS creates an environment where empty container transport movements are planned in advance.
- #7 CMS reduces truck turn-around times at container depots.
- #8 CMS creates a “paperless” and “cashless” interaction between hauliers and depots.

2.0 Container Management System (CMS)

2.4 The Features of CMS

- (1) Features of the CMS include pre-advance (booking) for truck arrival, automated gate processes and real-time information on pick-ups and drop-offs to empty container depots.
- (2) CMS ensures information flow faster than the container (depicted below).



2.0 Container Management System (CMS)

2.5 What are the problems faced by Hauliers ?

Issue	Cause
Manual Interaction between truck and depot gate	Current process requires significant paperwork
General visibility	Many different sources to find information
Communications Process	Current process is lengthy due to not knowing who to contact for what – lots of phone calls
Release Number validity	Truck arrives and the depot does not know of the release or there are no containers available
Flexibility across the system	Currently unable (or it is difficult) to redirect releases
Visibility of return options	Hauliers do not have a clear understanding of the depot options they have
Container detention	Hauliers do not always know which container should be dehiired first
2 way loading	It is difficult to establish 2 way loading at depots
Truck turnaround times	Unpredictable turnaround times at depots, and no way to know the traffic conditions at depots ahead of time

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2.6 The CMS Solution

2.6.1 CDAS through its vendor, Containerchain, provide the empty container depots with the "engine" (**emptypark@containerchain**) to automate:

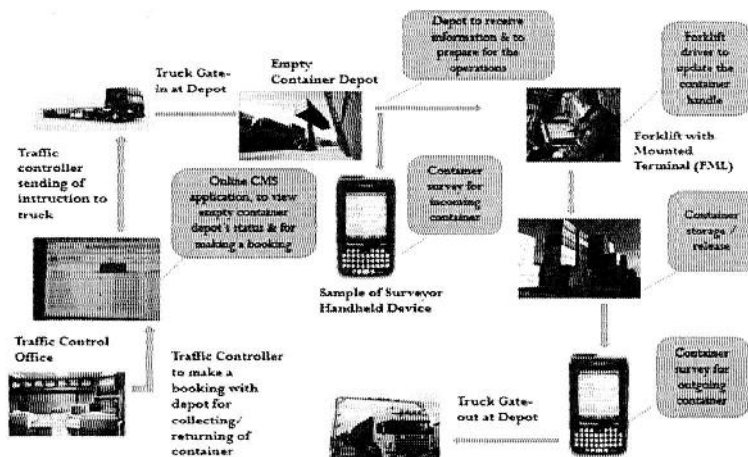
- (a). Gate capacity
- (b). Paperless gate control
- (c). Paperless container survey
- (d). Real time forklift job allocations
- (e). Real time container status management
- (f). Real time revenue capture

2.6.2 CMS provides the entire container logistics industry with the visibility "window" (**cmslive.com.sg**) which includes:

- (i). Empty depot queue management
- (ii). Paperless interaction with empty depots
- (iii). Real time export container availability
- (iv). Alternate empty park return locations
- (v). Historical data search (drop-off and pickup)
- (vi). Real time broadcast alerts to industry from empty depots (by SMS & email)

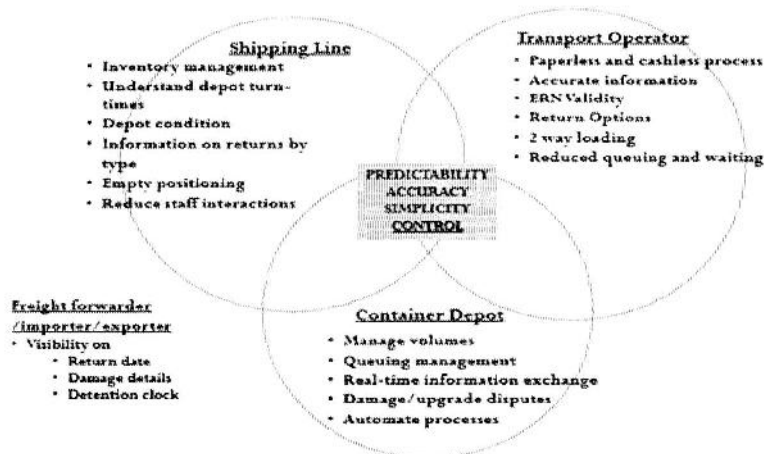
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2.7 CMS Application



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2.8 Operational benefits of the CMS



3.0 Electronic Container Equipment Interchange Receipt (e-CEIR)

TECHNICAL REFERENCE
(技术参考)

TR39:2015

**FREIGHT CONTAINER
EQUIPMENT
INTERCHANGE RECEIPT
(CEIR)**

(集装箱/货柜交接单技术参考)

LAUNCHED ON 14 AUGUST 2015



3.0 Electronic Container Equipment Interchange Receipt (e-CEIR)

3.1 Technical Reference & Usage

**Endorse-
ment**

- Prepared by Technical Committee on Logistics
- Endorsed by Manufacturing Standard Committee (MSC) on 29 Jan 2015

**Reference
and Guide**

- As a guide on the conduct of visual survey and inspection
- For accurate reporting and updating of the condition of the freight container at each point of handing and taking over.
- Establishes the baseline on common definitions and terminologies, visual survey and dissemination of information on the conditions of the freight container to minimise disputes and delays at each point of the interchange.

Who use it?

- Shipping Lines
- Terminal Operators
- Transport Operators
- Freight Forwarders
- Container Depot Operators
- Consignees and Shippers

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3.2 Purpose of TR39

- ↓ The new TR 39 : 2015 introduces a survey at each point of interchange to document the conditions of the container with clearly specified reporting criteria.
- ↓ This survey will provide guidance and accountability to minimise disputes at each stage of container exchange and bring about increased transparency and visibility to the container supply chain when it is implemented across the whole value chain.

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3.3 Common definitions on the conditions of container

DENTS
 Structural impressions and marks on the freight containers caused by physical force on any surface, and/or arising from prolonged use.

NORMAL DENTS
 Structural impressions and marks on freight containers deemed non-reportable in the Technical Reference.

COMPRESSION DENTS
 Dents caused by compression that may appear as depressions on adjacent corrugations.

MAJOR DEFORMATIONS
 Any form of distortion, dent, bent or bow that impacts the structure and symmetry of the container, necessitating the rectifications and repairs to enable its continuing safe use.

CUT, HOLED, CRACKED, BROKEN
 Damages characterised by visible separation of materials that may penetrate the entire thickness of the material.

ILLEGIBILITY OF CONTAINER NUMBER
 Container number not legible due to defacing or otherwise.

MISSING
 Loss of parts or missing components of the freight container such as locking bar, handle, hinge or door.

3.0 Electronic Container Equipment Interchange Receipt (e-CEIR)

3.4 Common definitions on the conditions of container (Cont.)

EXCEPTION

- ❑ An incremental variation in the condition of a container where a fresh CEIR is to be made out, synonymous with a reportable condition.
- ❑ It may be an addition to the immediate past visual survey and inspection documented.
- ❑ Exceptions include but are not limited to reportable dents, cut / holed / cracked / broken, of container number, major deformations, missing parts, and uncleanness.

REPORTABLE

- ❑ A condition is deemed reportable if it satisfies the reporting criteria stipulated in Clause 4 of the TR and shall be reported in accordance with requirements stipulated in the TR.
- ❑ Such conditions include reportable dents, cut/holed/cracked/broken, major deformations, uncleanness, missing and illegibility of container number.
- ❑ Sample photographs of various reportable conditions are given in the TR in Annex C.

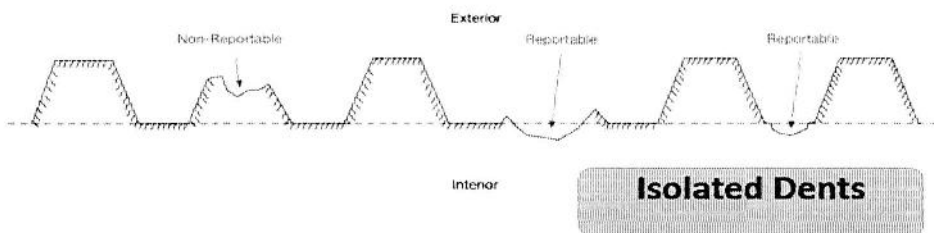
REPORTABLE DENTS

- ❑ Dents meeting the criteria as detailed in Clause 4 of the TR.

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3.5 Reporting criteria for conditions of freight containers

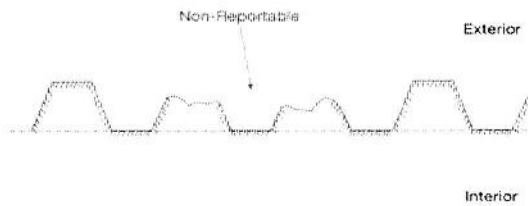
Sec. 4.2 Dents found on corrugated surfaces



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3.5 Reporting criteria for conditions of freight containers

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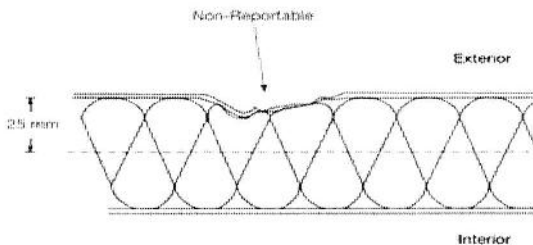


Compression Dents

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3.5 Reporting criteria for conditions of freight containers

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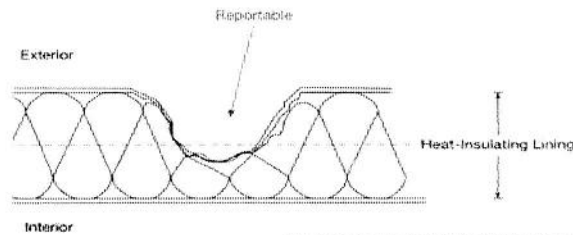


Reefer Dents
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3.5 Reporting criteria for conditions of freight containers (Cont.)

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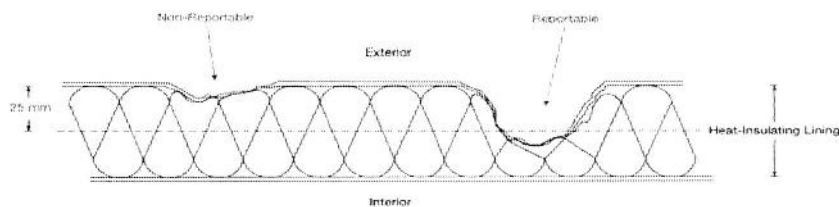


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Reefer Dents

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3.6 Reportable Damage

How to measure 25 mm?

- 25mm = 1 inch



Singapore's 1-dollar coin (third series)

3.0 Electronic Container Equipment Interchange Receipt (e-CEIR)

3.7 Reporting

- An act of due diligence carried out by the party taking over the custody of the container.
- It involves recording on the CEIR, photograph taking and transmission of the conditions of the container, according to the requirements stated in the TR.
- Joint endorsement with the party handing over the custody of the container as reporting of any damage or missing component exempts the party taking over the custody of the container from liability for the said reported damage or missing component.
- In case of any dispute over under- or over-reporting, reference shall be made to the TR.

3.0 Electronic Container Equipment Interchange Receipt (e-CEIR)

3.8 Guidelines on the conduct of visual survey and inspection of freight containers

3.8.1 Survey on the container shall be carried out on all visible areas of the container.

For Laden Container	For Empty Container
<p>Areas of visual survey and inspection shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Left side – exterior • Front side – exterior • Right side – exterior • Door - exterior 	<p>Areas of visual survey and inspection shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Left side – exterior and interior • Front end – exterior and interior • Right side – exterior and interior • Door – exterior and interior • Interior of top panel • Interior of the container

3.0 Electronic Container Equipment Interchange Receipt (e-CEIR)

3.8.2 CEIRs shall be raised and endorsed in duplicates whenever Exceptions are noted.

- The parties handing over and taking over the equipment shall retain one copy each.
- Failure to raise the CEIRs or non-presentation of the CEIR when required, due to misplacement, loss or otherwise, shall be interpreted as no Exception noted during the interchange.

On the same basis, no CEIR shall be necessary if there is no Exception noted during the interchange.

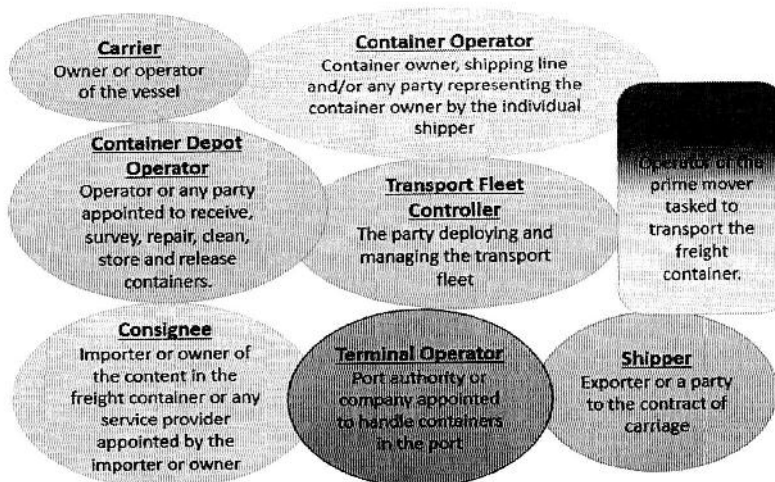
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3.8.3 Taking Photograph

Photograph resolution	Photograph Capturing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For all reportable condition(s), photographs of resolution no less than 640x480 pixels or 0.3MP shall be taken • This is to facilitate the subsequent reporting via any electronic transmission 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The container condition(s) together with container number. • Close-up view of the condition(s) • The position of the condition(s) marked out clearly in the prescribed CEIR for cross reference.

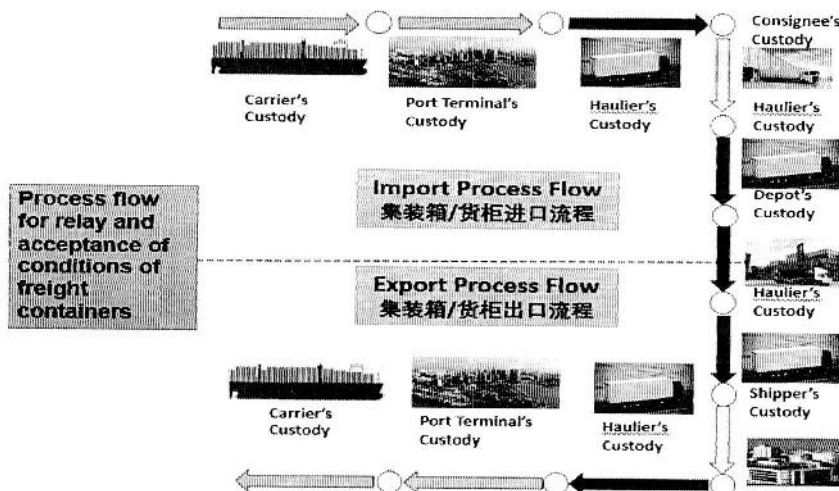
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3.9 Parties Involved in Handing and Taking Over



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3.10 Relay and acceptance of conditions of freight containers



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3.10 Relay and acceptance of conditions of freight containers (Cont.)

Shipper-owned container	Absence of receiving party
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For shipper-owned container, the process shall be similar but the liaison shall be direct with the container operator. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the absence of a receiving party to raise a CEIR, the receiving party shall raise the CEIR by a reasonable time as agreed by the two parties involved and send it to the handing over party for endorsement. The receiving party shall send the endorsed CEIR to the container operator and its appointed container depot operator for notification.

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3.11 Condition codes and Container type codes for indication on CEIR

Table 1 – Condition codes for indication on CEIR

Explanatory notes on container condition codes

Code	Description			
D	Dent	Bent	Frame or structure bowed	
C	Crack	Cut	Hole	Broken parts
U	Dirty condition	Dunnage	Debris	
M	Missing parts or components	Features defaced or faded		

Table 2 – Container type codes for indication on CEIR

Explanatory notes on container type codes

Code	Container Type	Code	Container Type
GP	Dry van or general purpose	FR	Flat-rack (collapsible or non-collapsible)
OT	Open-top	PL	Platform
OS	Open-side	RF	Refrigerated
HH	Half-height	ZZ	Others

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3.12 Standardised Container Equipment Interchange Receipt for GP, Reefer and Flat-rack Containers

CONTAINER EQUIPMENT INTERCHANGE RECEIPT FOR GENERAL PURPOSE / REFRIGERATED / FLAT RACK CONTAINERS

Container Number: - -

Container Size: 20 / 40 / 45' ft. / / (leave for operator) Container Type: GP OT PL RF OS HH FR ZZ

Condition Codes
 D Dent / C Crack / U Dirty / M Missing Parts / B Bent / F Frame or Structure Bowed / H Hole / D Dunnage / Debris / M Missing Parts / Defaced or Faded

To be completed by:
 The party who has received the container and hereby certifies that the container is in the condition described above and is fit for use. This declaration is made WITHOUT PREJUDICE and responsibility for any damage to the cargo is the responsibility of the shipper.

Signature: _____ Name: _____

To be completed by:
 The container was received from _____ and is in the condition described above. This statement was completed to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Signature: _____ Name: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

*Information and other variable codes are subject to change without notice.

