

PUBLIC NOTICE

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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MANDATORY USE OF THE TRADER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN) FOR ALL IMPORTATION AND EXPORTATION OF GOODS INTO OR OUT OF NAMIBIA ON ASYCUDAWORLD

The Namibia Revenue Agency (NAMRA) hereby informs all importers, exporters, clearing and forwarding agents, bonded warehouse operators, shipping lines, transporters and the general trading community of the mandatory use of the Trader Identification Number (TIN) for all customs-related transactions in ASYCUDAWorld, effective 1 April 2026.

The Trader Identification Number (TIN) is a unique and permanent identifier issued by NamRA to all individuals and businesses involved in cross-border trade. It enables accurate recording and monitoring of all customs activities in ASYCUDAWorld. The use of a secure trader identification system aligns Namibia with the World Customs Organization Guidelines, the Revised Kyoto Convention and global trade facilitation standards, thereby strengthening the country's competitiveness in regional and international markets. A unique TIN for every trader also enhances NamRA's ability to track compliance, assess risks and detect irregularities, helping to safeguard Namibia against customs fraud, smuggling and under-declaration.

Effective 1 April 2026, all stakeholders must ensure that:

1. Every customs declaration includes a valid TIN for the importer, exporter, declarant and any other relevant party.
2. TINs are correctly linked to ASYCUDAWorld profiles before initiating any transaction.
3. New or unregistered traders must apply for a TIN with NamRA before engaging in import or export activities.
4. Clearing Agents must ensure their client TIN lists are updated and are reflected accurately in ASYCUDAWorld.

Declarations without a valid TIN will be rejected automatically and goods will not be processed or released until the requirement is met. NamRA will engage stakeholders through outreach

programmes, training sessions and official communication to ensure a smooth transition ahead of the implementation date.

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