

Best Practice 0014

**Title : SLAC in reporting to AAMS**

Resolved in :

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Background :

The following best practice adopted about SLAC (Shipper's load and count) when submit to AAMS which is largely based on the Best Practice suggested by IATA.

Resolved that :

1. According to US CBP, it is required to submit the quantity of "smallest external package" to AAMS.
2. This will have conflict to those packages packed in an ULD (as pre-packed unit) or on skids.
3. The term "SLAC" is used to address this issue.
4. IATA recommended practice is to insert the number of smallest external package and the word SLAC in the "Nature Quantity of Goods" field of MAWB and House manifest (HAWB summary)

For example :

A shipment of 4 skids with 10 packages on each skid

- a/ Piece count on MAWB is 4
- b/ Insert "40 SLAC" in the Nature and Quantity field of MAWB
- c/ Piece count of FWB is 4

A consolidation of 5 HAWB which one HAWB has 4 skids with 10 packages on each skid. The other 4HAWB is 1 package each

- a/ Piece count on MAWB is 8
- b/ Insert "44 SLAC" in the Nature and Quantity field of MAWB
- c/ Insert "40 SLAC" in the Nature and Quantity field of the affect HAWB of the House manifest (HAWB summary)
- d/ Piece count of FWB is 8
- e/ Piece count of individual FHL is 4 for the HAWB has cargo on skids and 1 for the rest

5. For pre-packed unit, the agent has to submit the load information by unit at HAWB level to the airline. It has provided the accurate SLAC information in each ULD.

For example :

There are 10 skids being loaded into 2 containers, 6 skids in AKE12345XX and 4 skids in AKE67890XX, and each skid has 10 pieces. Under AKE12345XX, the piece count is 6/10 and insert "60 SLAC" in the Loading Information as a remark. Under AKE67890xx, the piece count is 4/10 and insert "40 SLAC" in the Loading Information as a remark.

6. Based on the supplied SLAC information, airline will manually amend the AAMS submission according to the smallest external package, both MAWB and HAWB level.
7. It is noted that some cargo agents have inserted the word "SLAC" for all shipments. This will only confuse the airline staff in tallying the correct piece count to the smallest external package and prolong the process. This **MUST** be discontinued.

Expiry : Indefinite