

Professional Freight Solutions Ltd are delighted to announce it's accreditation with official EU status as an Authorised Economic Operator (AEO).

PFS Ltd have been accredited with AEO(F) status by HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) since January 2013.

The full certification (Type F) recognises that the company's organisation and processes are secure, and its customs controls and procedures are efficient and compliant.

The introduction of the Authorised Economic Operator is a key element in the EU security concept which facilitates trade whilst making supply chains more secure and controlled from origin right through to final destination.

AEO is also part of a world-wide initiative to secure international supply chains and benefits from mutual recognition with other countries.

In order to obtain AEO(F) status, a series of stringent audits are conducted, by HMRC, to demonstrate a company's ability to handle customs goods competently, safely and securely.

These include compliance with customs requirements, reliability, financial solvency and fulfilment of the relevant legal and safety regulations.

Authorised Economic Operators enjoy a number of privileges and the AEO certificate also leads to indirect benefits due to improvements in safety and security standards within the company.

Benefits of AEO status include:

- Greater access to customs simplifications
- Priority clearance
- Reduced administration
- Higher transparency through internal control systems:
- Traceability of flows of goods, increased transport security, fewer delays in despatch;
- Improved security, between supply chain partners

Some benefits of our accreditation to our customers:

- AEO's are recognised worldwide as safe, secure and compliant business partners in international trade;
- AEO's are given a lower risk score in risk analysis systems when profiling;
- If physical controls are to be conducted by authorities, AEO's are given priority treatment;

- Mutual recognition of AEO programmes under Joint Customs Co-operation Agreements will result in faster movement of their goods through third country borders
- AEO's are in a stronger position to benefit from simplified Customs procedures

Full details of the legal basis for the AEO programme can be found in the European Council Regulation (EC) 648/2005 and European Commission Regulation 1875/2006 through the European Commission Website.

Full details and information on all aspects of AEO in United Kingdom, can be found on HMRC website here; <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/authorised-economic-operator-certification>

Professional Freight Solutions Ltd was established in 2009. Our aim is simple; To provide the best 24/7 scope and service that exists.