



## **Novas Regras nas Alfândegas Chinesas** **New rules in Chinese Customs**

As of January 1, 2011 comes into place new rules meaning new requirements for the clearance of consignments of import-export in/from China.

### **Required registration code (CR) to importers and exporters:**

All import and export companies in China must register at the office to get their importing or exporting code or hire an agent who already has one. This code CR should be included in the customs documentation for all shipments except documents and personal items.

### **Harmonised Customs Code (HS Codes)**

Every consignment of import or export must be identified with the HS code in the customs declaration of the shipment. This code along with a description of the goods will facilitate accurate and detailed customs clearance.

Failure to meet these requirements will mean that your shipments can be delayed at customs and out of China.

### **Recommendation:**

Contact as soon as possible with your business partner in China to register at the office and get your code CR. Make sure that is communicated so that you can include it in the customs documentation.