



German Ports

Secure Release Order XML

Message implementation guideline


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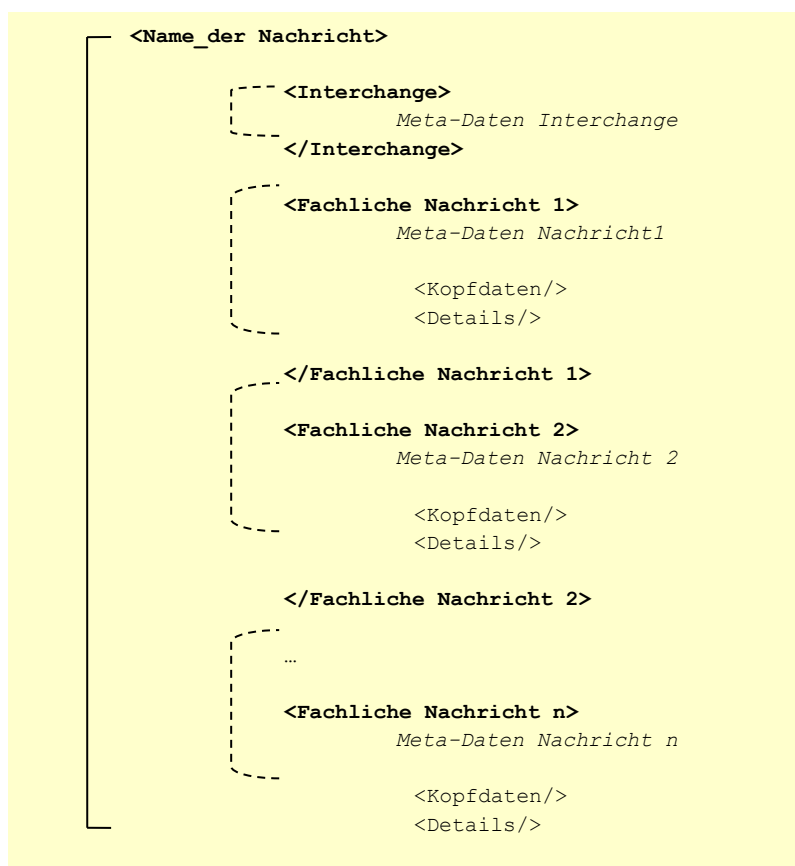
1 Messages

Similar to other EDI systems, German Ports accepts various request messages for creating a release order. These request messages can be sent in two different formats: XML messages (type “Request”) or an EDIFACT message (type “COREOR”). The format of the request message determines the format of the subsequent response: a request sent via XML will trigger an XML response, while a request sent via EDIFACT will trigger an APERAK response.


This implementation guide describes the content and structure of the Secure Release Order XML message sent to German Ports by the carrier needed to create the digital Pick-Up Right.

1.1 Structure

The XML messages are normally composed according to the following structure:



An interchange, comparable with a physical transmission file, includes one or more messages. Basically only documents of the same message type are incorporated in an interchange. Thus, disposals, status messages or the like are not combined in a transmission, but only messages of one type – the disposal (i.e. release order) in this case.

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The meta information is prepended to the technical messages of the interchange. It describes data regarding the physical transmission, e.g. the sender, receiver and creation of the file.

The meta information of the technical message, for instance, indicate the identity of the sender and receiver of the data.

2 Message Structure

Occurrence	Element/Attribute
	GermanPortsReleaseOrder
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	Interchange
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	CreationTimeStamp
1 .. 1	ExchangeNumber
0 .. 1	TestIndicator
1 .. 1	Sender
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	ParticipantCode
1 .. 1	Recipient
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	ParticipantCode
1 .. unbounded	GPReleaseOrder
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	MessageHeader
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	Version
1 .. 1	Function
1 .. 1	ReferenceNumber
1 .. 1	Sender
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	ParticipantCode
1 .. 1	Recipient
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	ParticipantCode
1 .. 1	GPReleaseOrderDetails
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
0 .. 1	Container
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
0 .. 1	ContainerID
1 .. 1	BillOfLadingID
0 .. 1	HandlingType
1 .. 1	CustomerIdentification
0 .. 1	CustomerReferenceID
0 .. 1	Vessel
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
0 .. 1	IMO
0 .. 1	CallSign
0 .. 1	Name
0 .. 1	Terminal
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
0 .. 1	LocationID
0 .. 1	TerminalID
0 .. 1	TerminalName
0 .. 1	ReleaseOrderReference
0 .. 1	IssueTimeStamp


Occurrence	Element/Attribute
0 .. 1	ExpirationDate
0 .. 1	ReturnLocationData
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
0 .. 1	FacilityLocation
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
0 .. 1	LocationID
0 .. 1	FacilityID
0 .. 1	FacilityName
0 .. 1	TurnInReference
0 .. 1	SecureReleaseOrder
1 .. 1	xs:sequence
1 .. 1	ClaimID
0 .. 1	IssueTimeStamp
0 .. 1	ExpirationTimeStamp
0 .. 1	ClaimStatus
1 .. 1	Signature

3 Segment Description

Element/Attribute	Annotation	
GermanPortsReleaseOrder	Occurrence	1 .. 1
xs:sequence		
Interchange	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Description	Each Interchange starts with an element containing some meta information, followed by one or more messages.
xs:sequence		
CreationTimeStamp	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Description	Date and time of document creation. Format : 2024-03-31T13:20:00
	Example	2024-05-02T13:27:00
ExchangeNumber	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Length	1 .. 14
	Description	A unique reference number of an interchange.
	Example	000ICEN4040857
TestIndicator	Occurrence	0 .. 1
	Name	Test Indicator
Sender	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Description	Information about the party who assembled and sent an interchange
xs:sequence		
ParticipantCode	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Length	1 .. 35
	Name	Participant code
Recipient	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Description	Contains Information about the party receiving an Interchange. This party may forward the whole interchange or split it up into individual messages which will be further processed.
xs:sequence		
ParticipantCode	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Length	1 .. 35
	Name	Participant code
GPReleaseOrder	Occurrence	1 .. unbounded
xs:sequence		
MessageHeader	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Description	The message header contains meta information about an actual message which is transmitted as part of an interchange.
xs:sequence		
Version	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Fixed	0.9.1
	Length	.. 17
	Description	Version of the message definition on which a message is based
	Example	0.9.1
Function	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Example	9
ReferenceNumber	Occurrence	1 .. 1
	Length	.. 35
	Description	Unique reference number identifying a single message. An interchange may contain more than one message.

Element/Attribute	Annotation
	Example 47110815 Occurrence 1 .. 1 Description This element contains information about the actual sender of a message (which might be different from the party who assembled and sent an interchange)
Sender xs:sequence ParticipantCode	Occurrence 1 .. 1 Occurrence 1 .. 1 Length 1 .. 35 Name Participant code
Recipient xs:sequence ParticipantCode	Occurrence 1 .. 1 Description This element contains information about a message's recipient/s. Occurrence 1 .. 1 Length 1 .. 35 Name Participant code
GPReleaseOrderDetails xs:sequence Container xs:sequence ContainerID	Occurrence 1 .. 1 Description Message with technical data for the release Occurrence 1 .. 1 Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Properties of a specific container Occurrence 1 .. 1 Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Container ID including both prefix and numeric part (format PPPNNNNNNZ, for official numbers, the prefix must be a value listed in BIC code list!)
BillOfLadingID	Occurrence 1 .. 1 Length 1 .. 35 Description Document number of the bill of lading
HandlingType	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Mode of transport: carriers or merchants haulage
CustomerIdentification	Occurrence 1 .. 1 Length 1 .. 35 Description GermanPortsID: ID of the customer, to whom the release shall be transmitted or who shall receive the right to pickup. Example DE7654321.DEHAM
CustomerReferenceID	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 35 Description Freight Forwarder's reference. Example XC4020080723CD
Vessel xs:sequence IMO CallSign Name	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Transport means used for this transport leg Occurrence 1 .. 1 Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 7 Description IMO number Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 7 Description Call sign of a vessel Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 35

Element/Attribute	Annotation
Terminal	Description Name of the means of transport Occurrence 0 .. 1
xs:sequence	Description Terminal where the container will be discharged/accepted. Occurrence 1 .. 1
LocationID	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 5 Description UN Location code
TerminalID	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 17
TerminalName	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 35 Description The name of a terminal
ReleaseOrderReference	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length .. 15 Description Release Number. Will be removed after migration period. Final date tbd.
IssueTimeStamp	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Date/time of issuing
ExpirationDate	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description expiration date, end of a period
ReturnLocationData	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Information on the return of the containers
xs:sequence	Occurrence 1 .. 1
FacilityLocation	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Return depot/ empty depot. One or more of the following elements can be transmitted.
xs:sequence	Occurrence 1 .. 1
LocationID	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 5 Description Specification of UNLocationCode, where the depot is located
FacilityID	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 9 Description Facilitycode der BIC. Siehe auch https://www.bic-code.org/facility-codes/
FacilityName	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length 1 .. 35 Description Name of facility (depot)
TurnInReference	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Length .. 35 Description Turn in reference for empty containers.
SecureReleaseOrder	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Information on transfer of rights. Details regarding the release order. Generated by German Ports, meaning: Carrier to German Ports: not included German Ports to carrier: included
xs:sequence	Occurrence 1 .. 1
ClaimID	Occurrence 1 .. 1 Length .. 14 Description Unique claimID (with leading zeros)
IssueTimeStamp	Occurrence 0 .. 1 Description Date/time of issue claim

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Element/Attribute	Annotation	
ExpirationTimeStamp	Occurence	0 .. 1
	Description	Zeitpunkt, zu dem das Recht am Container abläuft
ClaimStatus	Occurence	0 .. 1
	Description	Current state of the claim
	Applicable Codes	
	ACTIVE	The recipient of the claim has the right to pick up the container
	CANCELLED	Final status. The carrier cancelled the release.
	EXPIRED	Final status. The pick up right is expired
	FINISHED	Final status. The container was picked up.
	PASSED	The right to pick up the container was passed on to another participant
	RETURNED	The right to pick up has been returned to predecessor
	REVOKED	The predecessor has withdrawn the pick up right
	USED	The pick up right was used to register at the terminal
Signature	Occurence	1 .. 1
	Description	The base64 coded hash is being provided, that the owner again has to be add as codeword to his messages, in order to do something with his claim.