



UPS can help you determine the status of your PARS shipment before it arrives at the border

UPS Supply Chain Solutions is excited to announce that it has now made available the Pre-Arrival Review System (“PARS”) tracking web site to help you check the current status of your shipments, thereby enabling you to access current information regarding the movement of your goods.

PARS is a Canada Border Services Agency (“CBSA”) line release option available to importers of commercial goods into Canada that allows Canada Customs to process cargo information before the goods arrive at the border.

When using the PARS tracking web site, your carrier or yourself will be able to find out whether your PARS shipment was accepted or refused by CBSA. You will consequently know immediately if the carrier can proceed to the border office and present the shipment documents for release or if the carrier has to wait or take further action.

What are the benefits of using UPS PARS visibility tool?

- The website may be the most effective means of accessing PARS shipment data immediately. PARS web tracking will help diminish waiting time for carriers at the border as you won't have to delay the shipment by dialling the phone and waiting to determine your PARS status.
- The website data is provided in 'real time' to ensure instant, essential shipment information is at your finger tips and allow for immediate movement of goods.
- The PARS visibility tool helps determine any issues or problems immediately.
- No password is required; all UPS Supply Chain Solutions' trade chain partners can view their shipments' PARS status and react accordingly.
- It is easy to use - to view the PARS shipment data just 'key-in' the applicable PARS barcode number.

Here are easy steps to follow to help you determine the status of your PARS.

- ☞ You must have the PARS documents sent via fax or electronic data interchange (“EDI”) to the appropriate UPS Supply Chain Solutions clearance office a minimum of three (3) hours prior to the carrier's arrival at the border customs office. UPS Supply Chain Solutions will transmit the entry with the PARS information to Customs in the required time frame.
- ☞ Log on to our website at www.ups-scs.ca and click on the link 'PARS Tracking' on the bottom right side of the webpage.
- ☞ Follow the instructions, enter your PARS number and click “Submit”.
- ☞ The following details will be displayed:

PARS Search Result	Help
PARS Number : Shipment Status : Customs Office Code Customs Office Name Transaction Number Carrier Code Carrier Name BOL / HWB Number Number Of Packages Gross Weight	

Important: The PARS documents must be provided via fax or EDI to the appropriate UPS Supply Chain Solutions clearance office a minimum of (three) 3 hours prior to carrier's arrival at the port of entry.

How does PARS work?

The bar-coded cargo control number is a key element of PARS. The exporter or carrier applies that bar-coded control number to the top right-hand corner of the original CBSA invoice for each shipment and send a copy of that bar-coded invoice together with all other required documents such as certificates of origin, invoices, bill of lading, declarations, etc., to the Canadian importer or broker by facsimile before arrival of the shipment in Canada.

The importer or the broker submits the PARS documentation to CBSA or to the applicable Canadian Food Inspection Agency Import Service Centre, depending on the type of the goods, using EDI. As of October 15, 2007, CBSA no longer accepts paper PARS service options except for certain limited goods*.

CBSA requires the importer or broker to submit the PARS documentation within the following time frames:

- EDI: at least one hour before goods arrive at the border;
- Paper (where applicable): at least two hours before goods arrive at the border.

When the shipment arrives at the border, the carrier will present the bar-coded original invoice to a CBSA officer, who will electronically enter the cargo control number into CBSA's automated system. The system will display the status of the shipment as "Release" or "Refer".

For further information or assistance, please contact your nearest [UPS Supply Chain Solutions customs brokerage office](#) or e-mail us at marketingca@ups-scs.com.

** As of October 15, 2007: Paper release on Minimum Documentation (RMD) and paper Pre-arrival Review System service options will not be accepted. Exceptions will include:*

- a) *Goods subject to the requirements of an Other Government Department (OGD) where there is no EDI link between the CBSA and the OGD*
- b) *The invoice for the release transaction contains more than 999 invoice lines*
- c) *There is more than one warehouse sub-location code per release transaction*
- d) *The release transaction is covered by multiple highway cargo control numbers at the frontier*
- e) *The CBSA has issued a paper Form Y50, Reject Document Control, to the importer/broker in the case of courier low-value shipments*
- f) *Bonded warehouse RMD (grey wrapper) and*
- g) *Goods to be released from a Queen's warehouse*