

U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

Quick Facts: Trade Violations Reporting Tool



What is Trade Violations Reporting (TVR)?

The Trade Violations Reporting Tool is a web-based platform designed to streamline the process of submitting allegations to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI). Established in 2008, the platform features four distinct portals under one tool. The first portal is dedicated to reporting suspected criminal activities directly to HSI, while the second and third portals are for reporting allegations to CBP. The second portal is for reporting suspected commercial trade violations, with the added option of maintaining anonymity. The third portal serves as a channel for reporting suspected instances of evasion of antidumping and countervailing duties. Lastly, the fourth portal allows informants to file moiety claims which allow informants to apply for potential compensation for providing information.

How can you report a violation?

You can access TVR on the [CBP website](#). To report, click the red “Report” button on the column that corresponds to the type of violation you are reporting, and then follow the prompts on the online form. After completing the form, you will receive a confirmation message and your case number if you provided your contact information.

TVR Portal Types				
	Criminal Allegations Portal	Allegations of Commercial Trade Violations Portal	Enforce and Protect Act (EAPA) Allegations Portal	Moiety Claim Portal
Can I remain anonymous?	Yes, but HSI can only follow up if you provide your contact information.	Yes, but CBP can only follow up if you provide your contact information.	No, you must provide your contact information.	No, you must provide your contact information.
Who can file an allegation?	Members of the public.	Members of the public.	Only interested parties, as defined by statute (19 USC §1517).	Any non-government employee who provides original information concerning any violation of the laws enforced by CBP.
What can be reported?	This category is for reporting suspected criminal and illegal activities to HSI.	This category is for reporting suspected trade violations to CBP.	This category is for reporting suspected Enforce and Protect Act (EAPA) violations to CBP.	This category is for filing moiety claims, where informants may be compensated if their original information leads to a recovery.
Will I be notified about the status of my allegation?	HSI does not provide status updates on information provided.	You will be informed of the status of your allegation if your contact information was provided, but protected information will not be disclosed.	Parties will be informed of the initiation and outcome of the investigation.	You will be informed of the status of your claim, but protected information will not be disclosed.

Where can I find more information?

For additional guidance, visit the [CBP e-Allegations](#), [Enforce and Protect Act](#), and [Homeland Security Investigations](#) websites. You can also contact these resources:

- Criminal allegations: Visit the ICE Contact Center at www.ice.gov/contact.
- Allegations of commercial trade violations: Contact the e-Allegations team at eallegations@cbp.dhs.gov.
- Enforce and Protect Act (EAPA) allegations: Contact the EAPA team at epaallegations@cbp.dhs.gov.
- Moiety claims: Contact the Moiety team at moiety@cbp.dhs.gov

