

## **1. Introduction**

The Pharmaceuticals License Application and Movement Monitoring System (PLAMMS) (phase I) is a web-based internet and intranet system provided for all licensees, Product registration Certificate holders and Drug Office users. The system covers the computerization of computerizes the Drug Office (DO) of Department of Health (DH) import/export (I/E) license licensing system and help keeping track of the unregistered drug inventory in Hong Kong. DH DO licensing system, drug registration system and the related reporting functions are integrated into this system.

The scope of the system covers a wide range of business processing automation functions. These include drug enlisting, import license application, export license application, report shipment of the unregistered drug, batch suspension, and ledger book of the unregistered drug.

The system has following objectives:

- (a) Keep drug import/export records so export licence applicants are required to produce relevant import licences of the unregistered drugs imported for re-exported.
- (b) Allow import and export licence applicants to apply for licences via the electronic system and print certain types of approved licences without the need to visit DH for licence application and collection.

PLAMMS I was available online since 2014.

Further to the implementation of PLAMMS which allows traders to apply online for import/export licence(s), and report shipments for re-export of unregistered drugs, PLAMMS II is newly-developed for online licence application and approval procedures to import and export of registered pharmaceutical products, dangerous drugs (DD) and import unregistered drugs for particular patients/animals.

In addition, it also supports personal applicant(s), e.g. registered doctors, dentists and veterinary surgeons, etc. to apply drug I/E licence/certificate via the electronic submission in the system.

## **Scope of PLAMMS II**

PLAMMS II serves the following objectives:

- (a) To allow drug importers/exporters to apply import & export licences (I/E licences) online for registered drugs via electronic system.
- (b) To allow drug importers/exporters to apply import certificate, I/E licences, removal licence and diversion licence online for DD via electronic system.
- (c) To allow drug importers/exporters to apply import licences online for drug to be used for particular patients/animals via electronic system.
- (d) For drugs other than DD, to allow drug importers/exporters to print valid licence at user site, they will not need to collect the licence from DH.
- (e) To implement a barcode system for I/E licence to allow Customs & Excise Department (C&ED) to check online via PLAMMS II, the validity of IE licences presented by licensed drug importers/exporters.
- (f) To align the licence information with the trade declaration system (TDEC), thus facilitate the applicants to make trade declaration.
- (g) To keep an online report shipment data for drug importers/exporters to enable DH to track the imported and exported drug shipments of individual importers/exporters.

## **Definitions**

<b>Import</b>	It means to bring, or cause to be brought, into Hong Kong any article.
<b>Export</b>	It means to take, or cause to be taken, out of Hong Kong any article.
<b>Batch Number</b>	A defined quantity of pharmaceutical products processed in a single process or series of processes so that the products are expected to homogenous.

## **Abbreviation**

The following acronyms are used in the text of this Guide:

<b>DHDO</b>	Drug Office – Department of Health
<b>PLAMMS</b>	Pharmaceuticals Licence Application and Movement Monitoring System
<b>PLAMMS II</b>	Pharmaceuticals License Application and Movement Monitoring System (phase II)
<b>C&amp;ED</b>	Customs & Excise Department
<b>TDEC</b>	Trade Declaration System
<b>HS code</b>	Harmonized system code
<b>Ref No.</b>	Hong Kong reference no
<b>F.O.B</b>	Freight On Board
<b>C.I.F</b>	Cost Insurance and Freight
<b>UPP</b>	Unregistered Pharmaceutical Product
<b>I/E</b>	Import / Export
<b>DD</b>	Dangerous Drug