



EU e-Learning module

Samancta

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Samancta is designed to harmonise procedures for samples taking, provides constructive guidance to customs officers on the sampling methods, address health and safety issues. The benefits of using Samancta are to maintain a **high level of quality and consistency in the samples taken**, ensure every sample meets the requirements for official testing purposes, **create a standard approach for the labelling, storage and transportation of samples**, and ensure the chain of evidence is not broken as everyone follows the same sampling plan.

The easy-to-use eLearning course **Samancta** is produced by the European Commission Directorate General for Taxation and Customs (TAXUD) under the Customs 2020 Programme.

Scope

This course guides you through the online quick reference support tool intended to provide a guideline for sampling goods for customs and tax purposes: **Samancta (Sampling Manual for Customs and Tax Authorities)**.

Audience

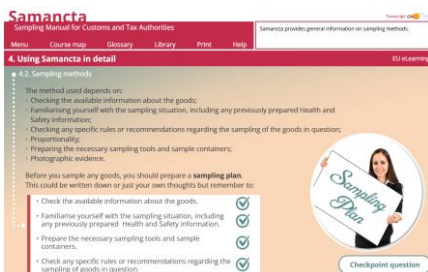
Customs professionals in the public and private sector from the EU and beneficiary countries dealing with customs matters related to trading goods under the GSP scheme with the EU or other preferential arrangements and trade agreements.

Learning Outcomes

- By the end of this course, you will be able to:
- understand the purpose and legal relevance of Samancta;
 - understand in detail how to use Samancta and its sampling procedures;
 - learn to navigate through Samancta;
 - identify the importance of health and safety precaution.

You will also be able to confidently use Samancta depending on your role.

To benefit fully from the course and to achieve the learning outcomes, it is recommended to integrate it in your own training programme and develop a blended learning strategy.



Features

This course is focused on demonstration methods: show-me, try-me. It features activities used for presenting how the tool works, or how it should be used. They consist of step-by-step demonstrations with precise explanations for each of the actions presented.

According to the complexity of the component, either a show-me or a try-me type of activity is used. You may interrupt your course at any time. When reopening the course, you can resume where you left off.

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Course duration

The course takes 1.5 hours.

Available languages

The course is available in English. However, consult the [Customs and Tax EU Learning Portal](#) for the availability of further EU language versions.

Let's get started!

- The eLearning module is publicly available and accessible via the [Customs and Tax EU Learning portal](#) for direct view,
- Registered users can download the course,
- Troubleshoot technical issues and get help by clicking on FAQ or Support.

The screenshot shows the 'Samantha' eLearning interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Menu', 'Course map', 'Glossary', 'Library', 'Print', and 'Help'. The main content area is titled '4. Using Samantha in detail' and 'EU eLearning'. A sidebar on the left lists 'Cards', 'Sampling tools', 'Sample containers', 'Training guide', and 'Website for EU customs laboratories'. The main content area is titled 'Find the procedure' and contains a search box and a list of procedures. A red callout box highlights a specific procedure card for Castor oil seeds.

Code	Documents with HS Code 1207:
1207.10:	Palm nuts and kernels (Loose grain and seeds)
1207.20:	Cotton seeds (Loose grain and seeds)
1207.30:	Castor oil seeds (Loose grain and seeds)
1207.40:	Sesamum seeds (Loose grain and seeds)
1207.50:	Mustard seeds (Loose grain and seeds)
1207.60:	Safflower seeds (Loose grain and seeds)
1207.91:	Other seeds (Loose grain and seeds)

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