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The Republic of Turkey is a member of the ECSA from the year 2006.

Throughout its history, Turkish Customs Administration has worked within different structures. While passing from the Ottoman Empire era to the Republican era, the Customs organization continued to maintain its importance.

In 1931 General Commandership of Customs Enforcement was founded as a semi-military organization upon the increase in smuggling cases. In 1931 the Ministry of Customs and Monopoly was established and General Commandership of Customs Enforcement was included in this Ministry. Turkish Customs Administration was restructured together with the Ministry of Finance in 1983 as the Ministry of Finance and Customs. In 1993, the Customs organization was reorganized as an Undersecretariat affiliated to the Prime Ministry with a separate budget and administrative structure. In 2011, Turkish Customs Administration and domestic trade units were merged and “the Ministry of Customs and Trade” was formed. In 2018, the Ministry of Customs and Trade and the Ministry of Economy were merged and “the Ministry of Trade” was founded. The Ministry of Trade of the Republic of Turkey is the institution responsible for the regulation of external and internal commercial activities as well as customs procedures.

One of the most significant developments for the Turkish Customs in the Republican era is “the Customs Union” between Turkey and the European Community in 1995. As a consequence of the Customs Union, the Turkish Customs Legislation was revised and modernized accordingly, the Customs Tariff System was harmonized to the EU Combined Nomenclature and the Single Administrative Document (SAD) was introduced throughout Turkey. The Turkish Customs currently carries out modernization projects in order to modernize the Customs posts, to facilitate the legal trade, to prevent illegal trade and to simplify the transactions. You can find more information about Turkish Customs sports activities at website www.ecsatrkey.com and information about Turkish Customs at website www.trade.gov.tr.

Sports

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