

## REITERATION OF HAZARDOUS CARGO MISDECLARATON FEE

## MSC CUSTOMER ADVISORY

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Dear customers,

Recently, there has been an increase in accidents involving the transport of dangerous goods, many of which are accompanied by casualties or total cargo loss. Therefore, it is necessary to reiterate that the shippers shall correctly declare the complete information of dangerous goods at the time of booking and bear the corresponding legal responsibilities and obligations. This is also served as reminder that "HAZARDOUS CARGO MISDECLARATION FEE" USD15000/unit (which has been taking effective since 2019) will be imposed in the following cases:

- A DGD (Dangerous Good Declaration) must be submitted and approved prior to booking being confirmed by the Line. Any inconsistencies between the master bill of lading / shipping instruction and submitted DGD will result in a Hazardous Cargo Misdeclaration Fee. Such fee will not limit in any way other fines/costs, etc., associated with the misdeclaration and it will be for the shippers account.
  - For your perusal, please find below what is considered as a "Misdeclaration": Wrong or missing UN Number; Wrong commodity description; Wrong flashpoint (difference of + or -5 °Celsius); Wrong Packing Group (PG) that have an impact on the stowage category; Wrong or non-IMO approved packaging; Wrong stowage/segregation of the cargo in the container.
- In case a container is booked as non-hazardous and upon departure is found to be hazardous cargo. Such fee will not limit in any way other fines/costs, etc., associated with the non-declaration of the hazardous cargo and it will be for shipper account.

Using this opportunity, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for your kind attention and cooperation. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we could be of any assistance.

Thank you for your support,

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