Customer Advisory

Date: 9th April 2025
Dear Valued Customers

Subject: ADVANCED CARGO DECLRATION FOR SHIPMENTS TO MEXICO

We would like to inform you about the Advanced Cargo Declaration regulation implemented by Mexican Customs in 2007. This rule requires the submission of vessel cargo declaration to Mexican Customs 24 hours before cargo is loaded on board vessels at foreign ports for all shipments being **discharged** or **transshipped** in Mexico.

In order to comply with this requirement and handle customs responses and time differences, shippers are required to submit complete and accurate shipping instructions **72 hours prior to vessel arrival at the port of loading.**

Cargo information to be submitted:

- Complete Shipper, Consignee and Notify address. Non-standard letters or symbols like ', 'ä', 'ö', are not accepted. Notify party's complete name and address.
- Exact English description of goods. "Freight all kinds", "general goods" is not allowed. 'Said to contain' is not accepted.
- Piece count per container, i.e. number of cartons and not number of pallets.
- Cargo gross weight.
- Number, quantity and type/size of container/s.
- Seal numbers.
- Internationally recognized hazardous material code (not just the commercial name),
- IMO class and UN number as well as emergency contact telephone number if applicable.

Carriers cannot file House BLs with the Mexican Customs on behalf of the NVOCCs. NVOCCs are required to transmit the AMS file to Mexico Customs by themselves.
The AMS files declared by the NVOCC, should show both - CAAT code of the carrier (or carrier's agency) and the NVOCC.

ESL CAAT code - 41QN

Advanced Manifest Filing related charges for Mexico bound shipments to be as follows:

Description	**Charge Amount**
Advance Manifest Filing Charge	US$30 per B/L
Advance Manifest Amendment Charge (*Applicable for any BL amendment after submission of the Shipping instructions*)	US$70 per B/L