

Marine Cargo Insurance

An important point to remember is that your shipment is insured subject to certain limitations set forth in the tariff. Here is a summary of the insurance coverage:

1. What goods are insured?

All lawful merchandise is automatically insured, except as limited in the tariff.

2. What are the goods insured for?

Your cargo is automatically insured up to \$5,000 per piece, package or ordinary shipping unit; **this includes a container or flatrack**. If you want to insure your cargo for a higher amount, just declare the actual value on the bill of lading and we will charge you \$0.128 per \$100.00 of value over \$5,000.

3. What does the insurance cost?

The basic rate is \$0.97 per revenue ton for general cargo. Cars and trucks are insured at a flat rate of \$6.40 per vehicle.

4. What is the period of coverage?

The cargo insurance goes into effect as soon as the freight clerk checks in your cargo. It lasts during the period of transportation to delivery at the port of destination or up to 15 days, whichever first occurs.

5. What type of damage is covered?

All risk of physical damage to the cargo, except for:

- a. Delay, deterioration, loss of market or consequential loss or damage;
- b. Inherent defect, quality or vice of the merchandise, including improper packaging.
- c. Water or moisture damage to due on-deck cargo or;
- d. Injury or death to livestock due to unexplained or natural causes, injury caused by other animals, related to pregnancy of the animals or due to the natural response of the

animal to the normal movement of the carrying device.

6. How is the value of the cargo established for claims purposes?

We will need an actual invoice or else will use the reasonable market value at the point of destination.

7. What are some of the important points to know?

- a. There is no coverage for shortages subject to Shipper's Load and Count (SLC) unless there is clear physical evidence of tampering while in YB's possession.
- b. There is no coverage for damage to shipments if the customer's packaging contributes to the damage.
- c. Damage affecting labels only will be limited to an amount sufficient to pay for the re-labeling.
- d. Notice of a claim in writing, or claim form itself is required to be given to YB within 60 days from delivery of the cargo or the date on which it would have normally been delivered.
- e. Suit for loss or damage must be brought within one (1) year from the date of delivery of cargo or the date on which it would have normally been delivered.
- f. Mediation or arbitration is available to settle any disagreements.
- g. Claims are adjusted by a third party adjusting firm.
- h. The consignee is obligated to take delivery of cargo, whether damaged or not. Failure to do so will be interpreted as abandonment of the cargo all costs of disposal is chargeable to customer.

This is only a summary of the cargo insurance coverage and is not intended to be detailed or a comprehensive review. For additional information, you should contact the Claims Department by calling (808) 548-4411.