CFCFA Board Members Standard Review Meeting: Review of the Proposed 10 CFCFA Recommended Standards

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Presentation on the CFCFA on the CFCFA Standards

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Presentation by ADB Consultant on findings from Review of the 10 CFCFA developed Standards & Discussion by CFCFA Board Members

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Objective & Purpose of Review :

- Pursue adoption of international best practices in transport and logistics to enhance professionalism and efficiency amongst CAREC Road Carriers and Freight Forwarding members;
- An objective and empirical reviews of the designs of the proposed CFCFA's Standards (9 standards) to be adopted by CFCFA to be in conformance with international standards and practices;

Objective & Purpose of Review :

- To analyze existing gaps and make recommendations for development of formal training programmes (capacity-building efforts) to cover the underpinning knowledge so that practitioners and operators in CAREC can effectively apply the full aspects of the stated knowledge and competencies in the CFCFA Standards; and
- To facilitate the exchanges of comments between CFCFA members for the approval and the eventual adoption of the final Standards amongst CFCFA memberships.

Overview of Review & Assessment :

Reviews focused on (3 Main Areas) :

- 1. Correct Syntax Errors & Editions
- 2. Technical Discrepancy & Omission
- <u>Recommendation</u> Acquisition of Essential Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (for future Training Requirements)

Standards 001 to 010 (except for 007 – for CPMM)

CFCFA Recommendation <u>Standard 001</u>:

Guidelines on the Preparation for International Freight Forwarding Documents

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- ✓ Spell-checks, Right-Left Margin-justifications, etc.;
- Correct Use of Words, Tenses, Verbs, etc.;
- Delete repetitions of words, phrases etc.;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

- Clarification require on the word "non L/C, payment terms' – Pg.1 #3 vs Pg.2 #8.1 & #8.2 "consistency between L/C and Contract" ?
- On Pg.5, #12.1.1 under 'Key Data Items' to include the negotiated 'ICC Incoterms' between the Seller and Buyer. It must indicate fully and clearly the ICC INCOTERM series, the INCOTERM and the Named Place;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

- On Pg.5, #12.1.1 under 'Key Data Items' in the case of ambiguous definition of Incoterms with regards to procurement of Cargo Insurance, the Seller and Buyer should decide on who will procure the cargo insurance and specify clearly in this section;
- On Pg. 6, #12.1.2(s) under 'Specific Requirements' after '...place of origin and destination...', to add 'port(s)/point)s) of entry' and 'port(s)/point(s) of discharge' into this sentence;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

- On Pg.7, #12.2.1(n) under 'Key Data Items' to amend 'Gross weight, net weight and measurement' to 'Gross weight, net weight and physical measurements in "Length x Weight x Height" of each packages';
- On Pg.7, #12.2.1(i) under 'Key Data Items' to replace 'container number' with 'Cargo Transport Unit (CTU) number'. Note that all and any references to 'Container' in all other clauses can be amended to 'CTU'. Refer to 'IMO Code of Practice for Packing of CTUs (CTU Code)' which I had provided...;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

On Pg.8, #12.3.1 under 'Key Data Items' – to insert additional clause, 'In case of transport of Dangerous Goods / Hazardous Substances, the relevant Commodity or Proper Shipping Name (PSN), UN/INCO Class must be indicated in accordance to the regulations for the transport of DGs in the respective modes of transport (e.g. IATA DGR, IMO IMDG Code, ADR, RID, etc.)';

<u>Note</u>: it is assumed that the operators have already successfully undertaken the relevant Dangerous Goods / Hazardous Substances Training Course and are current with the necessary conformances and are competent in handling DG/Hazardous Substances. Otherwise, it is mandatory that he/she complete the respective DG Training Programmes before actually handle DG/Hazardous Substances (including all Shore-**side personnel...)**.

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 On Pg.9, on item (w) "Declared value for carriage, declared value for the Customs" – Operators should have a thorough knowledge of Risk Management, Transport Liability Insurance/Cargo Insurance and International Conventions Governing the Transport

of Goods via the different modes, and the concept of Valuation before he/she is able complete this item;



Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

On Pg.11(d) 3rd para – "An air transport document shall indicate the date of issuance. This date will be deemed to be the date of shipment unless the air transport document contains a specific notation of the actual date of shipment, in which case the date stated in the notation will be deemed to be the date of shipment. Any other information appearing on the air transport document relative to the flight number and date shall not be considered in determining the date of shipment." Fact - Operators should understand that this may not be correct for air transport as the AWB's 'date of issuance' is in fact the Cargo Receipt Date and not the 'Date of Shipment' as indicated herewith ! Therefore, vocational training for this AWB (air transport documentation) underpinning knowledge may be required for Operators...;

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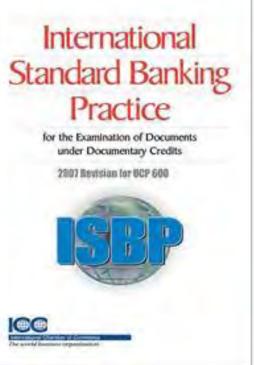
On Pg.13, 12.4 title – 'Insurance Document' to amend to 'Cargo Insurance Document'.



Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

✓ International Standard Banking Practice for the Examination of Documents under Documentary Credits, ISBP (ICC 681);

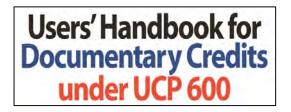


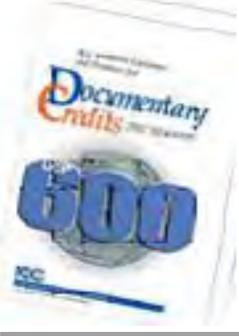
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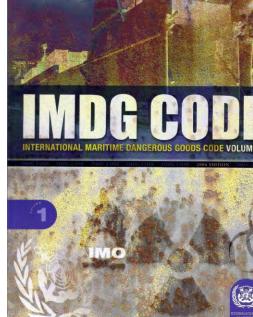
- FIATA Multimodal Transport Documents;
- ✓ The Use and Interpretations of Transport Documents



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Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

 The Dangerous Goods/Hazardous Substances Training Course in the respective modes of transports (e.g. IATA DGR for Air Transport, IMO-IMDG Code for Maritime Transport, IMO-IMDG for Road Transport, RID for Rail Transport, and ADN for Inland Waterway Transport);







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Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

 Risks Management, Transport Liability Insurance, Cargo Insurance, Standard Trading Conditions (STCs) and the Concept of Valuation declaration



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Correct interpretations of all the mentioned requirements is extremely important for practitioners of international trade, as such, it is recommended that they should attend formal training to appreciate the full application aspects of these mentioned knowledge and competencies.





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- ✓ Spell-checks, Right-Left Margin-justifications, etc.,
- The line separations on numerous pages are inconsistent, with erroneous number breaks (erroneous space) which may misguide readers, e.g. Pg.29 & Pg.30;

Correct Syntax Errors & Editions :

- On Pg.10, item 8.1.(e) replace 'moldingness' to 'moldiness';
- On Pg.15 and Pg.16 (Annex A) showing 'International Freight Forwarding B/L Liability Insurance Policy' instead of 'Carriers Liability Insurance'? This is Standard 002 which titled 'Carrier Liability Insurance'? In the context of the articles, there was consistent mentions and references of 'international freight forwarding business' – Please clarify...?,

Correct Syntax Errors & Editions :

On Pg.18 (Annex C), 'C.1.1' first line – to replace 'fulfill' with 'fulfil'; this should be repeated for the erroneous spelling of this same word found in C.1.2, C.1.2.a), C.1.2.b), C.2.1, C.2.2.b), C.2.8.a) and D3, D5, D6 as well...;



Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

The Preamble can include the following draft – "In light of the global changes and trade liberalization in the last two decades which has taken place at a dynamic speed of change, rapid transformations has taken place from the demands of the global traders, exporters / shippers, importers / consignees, etc. This has not only changes the types of services which the traditional customs brokers and freight forwarders, but also has in the process transformed both the provisions of more structured in comprehensive levels of services into one which integrates not only the materials flows, but also extensions of information flows and financial flows. The freight forwarders of today is no longer just acting as 'an Agent', but has been transformed to act 'as Principal'. As such, his is now exposed to and facing a vicarious liability regime, which covers on only the negligence of his immediate employees, but also those of which he sub-contract his services to":

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The Preamble should incorporate the definitions adopted by FIATA on the Freight Forwarding and Logistics Services - 'means services of any kind relating to the carriage (performed by single mode or multimodal transport means), consolidation, storage, handling, packing or distribution of the Goods as well as ancillary and advisory services in connection therewith, including but not limited to customs and fiscal matters, declaring the Goods for official purposes, procuring insurance of the Goods and collecting or procuring payment or documents relating to the Goods. Freight forwarding services also include logistical services with modern information & communication technology in connection with the carriage, handling or storage of the Goods, and de facto total supply chain management. These services can be tailored to meet the flexible application of the services provided" - FIATA doc. CL-04/06 29-10-2004;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

- On Pg.5, #3 'Scope" mentioned '...by medium and large-sized freight forwarding logistics companies...': Please clarify:
- ✓ is this paragraph referring to 'Carrier', rather than 'Freight Forwarding Logistics companies'? (Note that this Standard 002 refers to Carriers' Liabilities...)

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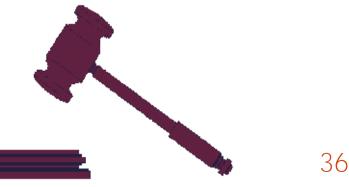
- ✓ On Pg.5, #3 'Scope' -
- Also, is there a particular reason to exclude SMEs' Carriers (or SMEs' freight forwarding and logistics companies) in CAREC ? This will clearly marginalize SMEs Operators and may be perceived as discriminatory in many regimes... Further, the principle of group carrier-liability insurance scheme works favourably with numbers. Perhaps you may want to consider this inclusion of SMEs Carriers (or Freight Forwarding Logistics Companies) in this Standard as well...? They are those enterprises and operators whom need the most help ! Remember, they are budding operators whom may in time to come, progress to become successful incorporations in CAREC... Today's Carriers and MTO (Multimodal Transport Operators) are not limited by size, but more accurately by knowledge and experiences...;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

On Pg.6, Point #5 'Terms & Definitions' mentioned 'For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in CFCFA Recommendation Standard 003 apply' – unsure the reason(s) for reference to Standard 003's Terms and Definitions? No specific Terms & Definitions cited here...? These 2 Standards are different – Standard 002 for Carriers and Standard 003 for Freight Forwarders...;

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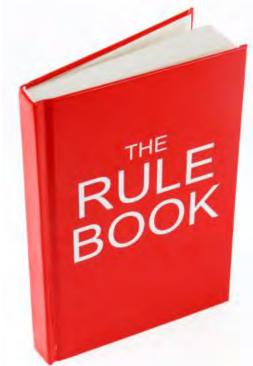
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- On Pg.2's Title 'Recommendation 002' should be changed to 'Recommendation 003';

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 The Preamble for this Standard 003 appears to be similar to the Preamble for the last Standard 002 ? Is this intentional ?



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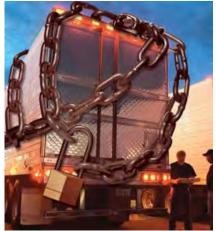
On Pg.3, #4.1 mentioned 'Insurance under which the insurance object is the liability of an insured for loss caused by the insured...' – what about for damage? Perhaps you may want to include this as follows: 'Insurance under which the insurance object is the liability of an insured for loss and/or damage caused by the insured...'? There are similar omissions of 'damage' on Page 9 d), e) and f)...;



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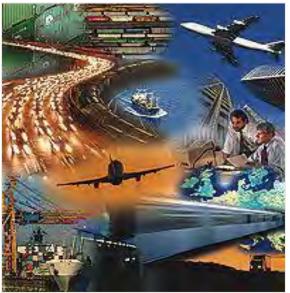
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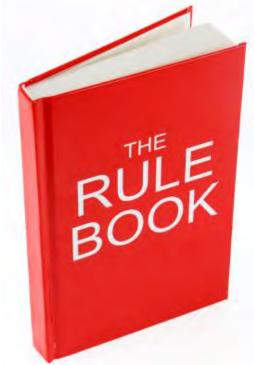
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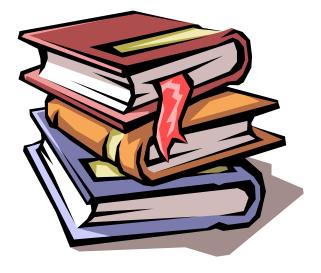
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CFCFA Recommendation <u>Standard 004</u>: 'Requirements on Container Consolidation Services of International Freight Forwarders'

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Correct Syntax Errors & Editions :

- Require Proper Editions with Sign-posting, standard spacings, consistent paragraphing, etc.;
- ✓ Spell-checks, Right-Left Margin-justifications, etc.;
- On Pg.#9, item #9.9.2 'stuffing warehouser' should be replaced by 'stuffing warehouse operator';
- On Pg.#9, item, #9.10.1.2 'copy of bll of lading' should be correctly spelt as 'copy of bill of lading';

Correct Syntax Errors & Editions :

 On Pg.#12, item #10.5.1, #10.5.3 and #10.6.2 – 'stuffing warehouser' should be replaced by 'stuffing warehouse operator';



Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 For Transport documents relating to Consolidation Services, there was <u>no mentioned</u> of the FCR – Forwarders' Certificate of Receipt. This is an important document issued by the Consolidator, especially for Buyers' Consolidation, whereby the Consolidator acts as a Buyers' Consolidator representing the interests of the **Overseas' Buyer.** The FCR may be a required document for the interests of the various/multiple Shippers' whom already released their consignments to the appointed Buyers' Consolidator. Reference can also be made to the FIATA FCR which fulfil this requirement entirely. The FCR is an official acknowledgement of the goods received by the forwarder. The forwarder assumes responsibility for the dispatch and delivery to the consignee named in the document:

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 The FCR is essentially not a negotiable document as the delivery of the consignment to the consignee does not depend on the surrender of this document. This document bears on its reverse the standard trading conditions applicable to the country where it is issued;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

When issuing the FCR, the freight forwarder should ensure that :

- the specified consignment specified has been received by him or his agent and that the right of disposal of the goods is vested solely in him;
- the goods appear to be in good order and condition;
- the details in the document clearly correspond with the instructions he has received; and
- the conditions on the freight documents (B/L etc.) are not contrary to the obligations he has assumed under the FCR.;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

✓ The FCR contains the following information:

- name of supplier's or forwarder's principals;
- name and address of consignee;
- mark and numbers;
- number and kind of packages;
- description of goods;
- gross weight;
- measurement; and
- place and date of issue.



Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 The FCR can be handed to the consignor immediately after the consignment is received by the forwarder;



Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

With regards to item #9.1 'Acceptance of Consignment' (on Page 5) – these full sets of items should also be clearly listed in the Standard Trading Conditions (STCs) from which the CAREC operator will be used in their day-to-day businesses [these are usually listed clearly in most STCs promulgated by national associations and operators alike – see enclosed SLA STCs Clause 8, 9, 10,11, 12, 28a) (iii), (iv) & (v), and SAA-STCs Clause 22, 23, 24 & 25];

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

On Page 8, 'Stuffing' item 9.7.4 last line – should add that in case wood packaging materials are used for container-packings (e.g. Timber packaging/dunnage includes crates, cases, pallets, skids, and any other timber used as a shipping aids etc.), a Packing Declaration must be formally declared (See enclosed sample Packing Declaration Form). If Heat Treatment or Fumigation is being introduced, Certification must be accompanied with the shipment. Packaging material such as straw, bamboo, peat, hay, chaff, used fruit & vegetable cartons are not permitted - these is in conformance with the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures-15 (ISPM-15) requirements which must be conformed to. *This shall be shared in my separate presentation on IPPC ISPM-15 at this afternoon Session 3...

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

On Pg.9, item 9.8 'Loading Goods on Board' – with the introduction and the mandatory compliance towards the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Safety Of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Verified Gross Mass (VGM) requirements since 1st July 2016; it may be imperative that mandatory verification of the gross mass of packed containers be conformed to. The gross mass of a packed container must be verified (by written declaration) by the shipper prior to loading on a ship. The Shipper is responsible for providing the verified weight by stating it in the shipping document and submitting it to the master or his representative and to the terminal representative sufficiently in advance to be used in the preparation of the ship stowage plan. (See enclosed sample of VGM Declaration Form).

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

The requirement to VGM of packed containers applies to all <u>containers</u> to which the CSC (International Convention for Safe Containers) applies. This includes standard sea freight containers, tank containers, flat racks and bulk containers. FIATA has also since developed "The FIATA Verification of Container Weights Toolkit" published in the FIATA Review No. 109 of October 2015. If the LCL or FCL from CAREC countries is finally intended for shipment by sea, then this requirement is mandatory and shall require the Shipper from CAREC countries to adopt the necessary weight verification actions and declarations. *This shall be shared in my separate presentation on IMO-SOLASVGM during this afternoon Session 3...

Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

FIATA Documents - various types of FIATA Transport Documents. There is no international uniformity in the documentary procedures followed in freight forwarding or in the format and contents of the documents which have been commercially created. Nevertheless, efforts have been made by the International Federation of Freight Forwarders' Association (FIATA) to promote the use of uniform freight forwarding documents and thereby improve professional standards. FIATA has evolved several documents which are aligned with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) layout and with the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC);



Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Approved the use of the FIATA Documents (e.g. the FIATA FBL – FIATA Negotiable Multimodal Transport Bills of Lading). Ever since the publication of the ICC-UCP 400 series, the ICC specifically recognized the FBL. This recognition had two consequences. Firstly, Article 25d. referred to the FBL as an acceptable document. In the previous UCP400, other forwarder transport documents were not acceptable unless issued by a freight forwarder acting as a carrier or agent of a named carrier. Secondly, the ICC logo appeared on the FBL. The later revision to the UCP500 and UCP600 drops any reference to the FBL, a striking omission considering that the FBL is the worlds' most frequently used combined transport document;

Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

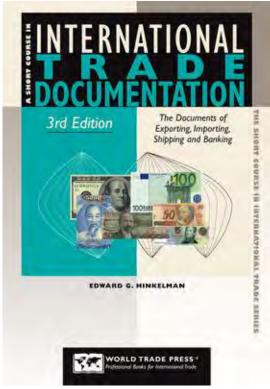
- The Concept of Cargo Consolidation;
- Maritime Containers Container Specifications Types, Limits & Payloads;
- Truck Configurations Types, Specifications, Loads and Limits in CAREC;
- Rolling Stocks Types, Specifications, Loads and Limits in CAREC;
- Unit Load Devices (ULDs) Types, Specifications, Loads and Limits;

<u>Recommendation</u> – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

- FIATA Model Rules for Freight Forwarding services compliance with the UNCTAD/ICC Rules on Multimodal Transport Documents (ICC Pub. 481);
- Bill of Lading Clauses to include understanding of Paramount Clauses, Himalayan Clause, Precautions, etc.;
- ✓ IMO-SOLAS VGM; and
- ✓ IPPC ISPM-15 Rules, etc.

Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Correct interpretations of all the mentioned requirements is extremely important for practitioners of international trade, as such, it is recommended that they should attend formal training to appreciate the full application aspects of these mentioned knowledge and competencies.



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Open Discussion

CFCFA Board Members

CFCFA Recommendation Standard 005: 'International Freight Forwarders' Standard Trading Conditions'

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- On Pg.#5, item #6.3 d) to delete the repetition
 ...such as...';
- On Pg.#9, item #6.12.2 replace
 ...Customer...' with '...Goods...';

Correct Syntax Errors & Editions :

On Pg.#10, between item #7.2 & #6.3 – remove '7.1';

 On Pg.#17, 'Bibliography' item #2 – replace 'The UN Commission on Trade Law (UNCITRAL)...' with 'The UN Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)...

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 On Pg.#3, item #4.7 – recommended to insert 'International Air Transport Association Dangerous Goods Regulations (IATA DGR), ADR and RID' as goods carried to/from CAREC may occasionally be delivered via the Air Transport mode, Road or Rail Transport Mode;



Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 On Pg.#6, item 6.5, 6.6, 6.7 and 6.8 - these are usually listed clearly in most STCs promulgated by national associations and operators alike – for references, see enclosed SLA STCs Clause 8, 9, 10,11, 12, 28a) (iii), (iv) & (v), and SAA-STCs Clause 22, 23, 24 & 25;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 Suggest to include the provision of Company a right to levy a Valuation Charge for stating the Value of the Goods on the transport documents. This will proportionately limit the Company's liability for damage or loss of the Goods in case the Customer insist on the declaration of value on the transport document(s);;



Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 With the introduction and the mandatory compliance towards the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Safety Of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Verified Gross Mass (VGM) requirements since 1st July 2016; it may be imperative that mandatory verification of the gross mass of packed containers be conformed to. The gross mass of a packed container must be verified (by written declaration) by the shipper prior to loading on a ship. The Shipper is responsible for providing the verified weight by stating it in the shipping document and submitting it to the master or his representative and to the terminal representative sufficiently in advance to be used in the preparation of the ship stowage plan. (See enclosed sample of VGM Declaration Form).

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Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 Suggest to include in this Recommended Standards, the mandatory completion of a Weight Declaration by the Customer prior to the collection or delivery of the Goods to the Company for shipping. This will then be in line with the IMO-SOLAS VGM (See enclosed sample of VGM Declaration Form);



INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION

Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

- Network Liability System;
- Calculations of Valuation;
- International Conventions governing the Transport of goods by various modes – its Applications and Jurisdictions – to understand the UN Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL);

Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

 Standard Trading Conditions (STCs) – the importance and its uses, promulgations, limitation of liability and obligations of the Customer and the Carrier (Operator);



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Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

 ✓ FIATA Model Rules for Freight Forwarding services – compliance with the UNCTAD/ICC Rules on Multimodal Transport Documents (ICC Pub. 481); THE RULE BOOK

Recommendation - Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

 Legal Classification of the Freight Forwarder – The Forwarder: 'Principal or Agent' ? The distinction between 'Principal' and 'Agent';



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Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

 International Conventions governing the Transport of goods by various modes – its Applications and Jurisdictions;



Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

✓ Network v. Uniform Theories of Multimodal Liability;

✓ COGSA Rules;

 Bill of Lading Clauses – to include understanding of Paramount Clauses, Himalayan Clause, Precautions, etc.;

Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

- The Application for Insurance and the Responsibility for Utmost Good Faith (Unberrima Fides);
- Claims on the Forwarders Policy of Insurance and Claims Handling and Settlements – to develop a Process Flow for Claims Procedures – clear template required;

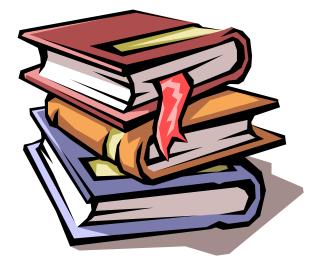
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Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

- Concept of 'caveat emptor';
- Concept of Subrogation, including the Rights of Subrogation;
- Concept of Group Scheme Insurance Covers;;
- ✓ General Average.

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CFCFA Recommendation <u>Standard 006</u>: 'Model Terms and Conditions of Contracts for International Freight Forwarders'

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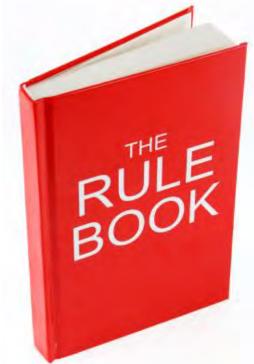
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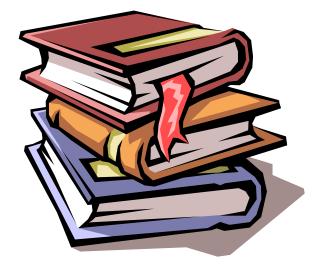
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CFCFA Recommendation Standard 008: 'Coding Rule for Carrier Identifier'

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Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

Pg.#2, item 5.1.2 – it appears that the title 'Type of Carrier' does not correctly or accurately depicts the content 'Mode of Transport adopted by the Carrier' ? If this content is to be maintained, then it would be more appropriate to change the title to 'Type of Carriage'. I have noted also that this is also described on Page #4 item 6.2.3, Page #5 item 7.1, Table 1 Page #6 is also depicting this inaccurate description

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

Pg.#2, last line – 'AWB - International Air Transport Association (IATA) Air Waybill'. It must be noted that there is <u>no</u> 'IATA Airwaybill' as per se; if it is intended to mean that the Airwaybill as issued by IATA Member-Airlines' accredited agents as a Consignment Note to evidence the contract of carriage, then it should be correctly and accurately described as AWB – 'a Consignment Note issued by IATA Member-Airlines' accredited Agents';

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 I noticed that Pg.#9 'Bibliography' #(2) refers to 'INCOTERMS 2000'. With the passage of time, it would be more appropriate to make references on the ICC INCOTERMS 2010 (since we are now in 2017..!);



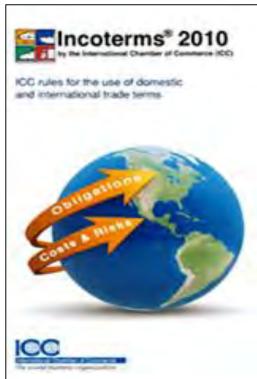


Recommendation - Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

 ✓ International Rules for the Interpretation of Trade Terms of 2010, (INCOTERMS 2010);





Recommendation – Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

✓ ISO 7372 Trade Data Elements Directory—Standard Data Element (TDED).

ISO 7372:2005

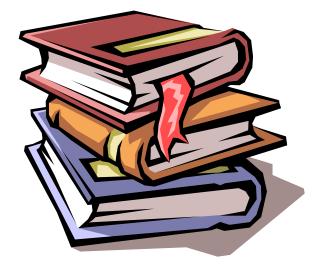
Preview

Trade data interchange -- Trade data elements directory



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CFCFA Recommendation <u>Standard 009</u>: **'Coding Rule for Documents Identifier'**

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- On Pg.#5, item#7.1.2.3 should be tidied-up with the correction. The consistency in using 'alphanumeric' (as in 7.1.2.4) vs the corrected 'alphabetic' (7.1.2.3) as character representations (see Pg.#1, item#5) should be observed;

Correct Syntax Errors & Editions :

On Pg.#10 – correction to be cleaned;

 On Pg.#15, 10.2 – delete one of the double-word used word, 'numerical';



Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 No particular omission or significant discrepancy observed.

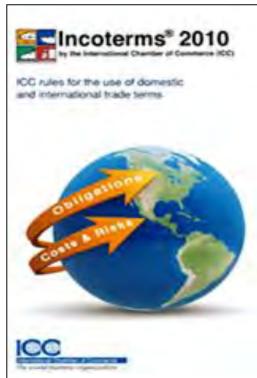
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ISO 7372:2005

Preview

Trade data interchange -- Trade data elements directory



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Operators should familiarize with the following documents (trade and transport publications):

 Illustration should be enhanced with pictures/images for clear and correct interpretations e.g. on the RFID Tags;

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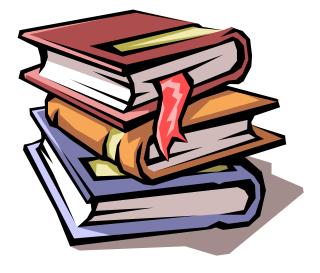


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Standard 009 : 'Coding Rule for Documents Identifier'

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Standard 009 : 'Coding Rule for Documents Identifier'

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CFCFA Recommendation <u>Standard 010</u>: **'RFID Tag Application Criteria for Pallet Units''**

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- ✓ Pg.#4, item 5.9 correct 'a' to 'an';
- Noticed that there are numerous corrections on the documents and tracked changes – all to be tidiedup;

Technical Discrepancy & Omission :

 No particular omission or significant discrepancy observed.

Recommendation - Acquisition of Underpinning Knowledge & Skills (Training) :

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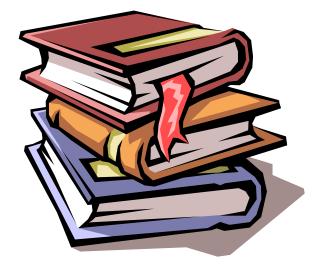
- Understanding the RFID technology (passive tags vs active tags, etc.);
- ✓ GS-1 Specifications for RFID;

✓ GHS Codes.

The Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals

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Underpinning Knowledge and

Standards Recommendation

Thomas SIM, ADB Consultant (Chairman, FIATA-ABVT)

<u>Session 3</u>: Underpinning Knowledge & Standards Recommendation

Presenting :

- IMO-SOLAS VGM
- IPPC ISPM-15 Rules



UNESCAP Guidelines for Minimum Standards and CPC for Freight Forwarders, NVOCCs & MTOs



<u>Session 3</u>: Underpinning Knowledge & Standards Recommendation

Presenting :

ADB Consultant's Summary Recommendations

Proposal for follow-up Actions :

 It has been observed that there are editing requirements for all the 9 reviewed Standards, which will correctly reflect the intended knowledge which require the CAREC operators and practitioners' conformances. A better edited document will not only avoid misintepretations, but also be able to enhance clearer comprehension of the desired work and outcomes.

Proposal for follow-up Actions :

- 2. Various technical discrepancies and omissions have been observed and identified. Each of the items are listed in sequence in each and every review documents for further discussion and actions.
- 3. Recommendations have been made which requires stakeholders' considerations and decisions.

Proposal for follow-up Actions :

4. In order to effectively and efficiently carry out the rudimentary tasks of the international freight forwarding and transport logistics in the region, CAREC Operators will need to enhance their underpinning knowledge and skills in order to complete the numerous operational tasks as enumerated in the findings and in the developed standards.

Proposal for follow-up Actions :

5. Future capacity-building efforts in the form of sustainable training programmes should be developed to cover the gaps and challenges in developing towards operational excellence.





Proposal for follow-up Actions :

6. References with the current trends and changing practices is most needed in order to keep up with the regional and global practices and rules of engagements. (e.g. the IMO-SOLAS VGM, the various Supply-Chain Security initiatives launched by different jurisdictions, as well as the IPPC ISPM-15 regulations, etc.).



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INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS FOR PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

Enclosed Documents for References :

✓ FIATA Model Rules;

- ✓ SLA Standard Trading Conditions;
- SAAA@Singapore Standard Trading Conditions;
- ✓ IPPC ISPM-15 Packing Declaration Form (Sample);
- VGM Shippers Declaration Form (Sample);
- ✓ WSC Guidelines for Implementing SOLAS;
- ✓ FIATA's Circular Official Description of F/F Services;
- ✓ CTU IMO/ILO/UNECE Code of Practice for Packing;
- UNESCAP Guideline for Minimum Standards & CPC Presentation;
- ✓ IMO-SOLAS Presentation;
- ✓ IPPC-ISPM-15 Presentation.

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Session 4 : Adoption of CFCFA Standards for Carriers & Freight Forwarders

Conclusions

- Capt. Lin Zhong, CFCFA Chairman

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