



Customer Advisory

Date: 27th June 2025

Dear Valued Customers

Subject: ADVANCED CARGO DECLARATION FOR SHIPMENTS TO USA and CANADA

This advisory serves to inform you about the mandatory compliance requirements under the **Advanced Manifest Submission (AMS)** rule set by **U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP)** for your shipments discharging at/ transshipping / transiting via any ports in the USA

SCOPE:

The AMS rule applies to all the shipments discharging at/ transshipping / transiting via any ports in the USA.

Applies to all the Ocean carriers and Freight Forwarders (if they are issuing House Bills of Lading)

TIMELINE:

Manifest data needs to be completed and submitted with the US customs authority no later than 24 hours prior to vessel arrival at the port of loading.

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 vessel arrival at the port of loading.**

MANDATORY INFORMATION ON THE B/L :

- Shipper name and full address (cannot be a US party)
- Consignee and Notify Party name and full address (must be a US Party)
- Vessel/Voyage
- Container Number
- Seal Number (Dummy Seal Number not allowed)
- HS Code
- Cargo Type



- No of Packages (U.S. Customs does not accept package type as Pallets/Containers)

Failure to provide complete information within the prescribed timeline can lead to Cargo hold at the Port of Loading or rejection at Port of Entry and/or monetary fines imposed by the CBP which will be on shipper's account.

Please take note of Advanced Manifest Filing related charges for US and Canada bound Shipments:

Description	Charge Amount
Advanced Manifest Filing Charge	USD 40/ BL
Advanced Manifest Amendment Charge (Applicable for any BL amendment after submission of Shipping Instructions. BL Amendments are subject to approval)	USD 40/BL

Please take note of the ESL SCAC Code: EMIV

For further information and bookings, please reach out to our local Sales and Customer Service Representatives.