

International Shipping Glossary of Terms

AAMS	Air Automated Manifest System
ACT	Active Temperature Controlled System
ADR	International and European contract for hazardous goods transports on the road
AOG	Aircraft on ground
ATA	Air Transport Association of America
ATB	Air Transport Board of Canada
ATT	Goods attached to air waybill
AVI	Live animal
AWB	Air Waybill

B

B B	Rate class code indicating Basic charge as used in the rate class box of the AWB
BIG	Outsized
BUC	Bulk Unitization Charges
BUP	Bulk unitization programme, shipper/consignee handled unit

C

C C	Rate class code indicating SCR as used in the rate class box of the AWB
C.A.F.	Currency Adjustment Factor (compensation factor for the various currencies)
C.O.D.	Cash on Delivery
CAO	Cargo aircraft only
CASS	Cargo Accounts Settlement System
CAT	Cargo attendant accompanying shipment
C&E	Customs & Excise
CC	Charges Collect
CCA	Cargo Charges Correction Advise
CFR	Cost and Freight
CIF	Cost, Insurance and Freight
CIP	Carriage and Insurance paid to
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora
CKD	Completely Knocked-Down
cm	Centimetre(s)
cm³	Cubic centimetre(s)
COL	Cool Goods
COM	Company mail
C.O.O	Certificate of Origin
CPT	Carriage Paid To
CRO	Central Reservation Office
Cu. Ft.	Cubic foot (feet)
Cu. In.	Cubic Inches
CVGK	Customs value per gross kilogram (kg)
CVGP	Customs value per gross pound (lb)

D

D D.O. or D/O	Delivery Order
D/A	Delivery Agent
DAF	Delivered at Frontier
DDP	Delivered Duty Paid
DDU	Delivered Duty Unpaid
DEQ	Delivered ex Quay (duty paid)
DES	Delivered ex Ship
DGD	Shipper's declaration for Dangerous Goods
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations
DIP	Diplomatic Mail
Dir.	Direct
DOT	Department of Transportation (of the USA)

E

E E	Rate class code indicating over pivot rates as used in the rate class box of the AWB
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E.G.	For Example
E.T.A.	Estimated Time of Arrival (scheduled arrival time of aircraft)
E.T.D.	Estimated Time of Departure (scheduled departure time of aircraft)
EAT	Foodstuffs
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
EU	European Union
EWB	Express Waybill
Excl.	Excluding

F

FAK	Freight All Kind
FAS	Free alongside ship
FCA	Free carrier
FCR	Forwarders Certificate of Receipt
FFI	Freight Forward International
FIL	Undeveloped/unexposed film
FOB	Free on Board
FRI	Frozen goods subject to veterinary/phytosanitary inspections
FRO	Frozen goods
FT.	foot (feet)

G

GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GBL	U.S. Government Bill of Lading
GCR	General Cargo Rate
GOH	Hanging garments

H

H HEA	Heavy cargo, 150kg and over per piece
HEG	Hatching eggs
HUM	Human remains in coffins
HWB	House Waybill

I

I.E.	That Is
IATA	International Air Transport Association
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICC	International Chamber of Commerce
ICE	Dry ice
IMDG	International maritime dangerous goods
IMF/IWF	International Monetary Fund
IN.	Inches
INCL.	Including
ISO	International Standardization Organization
ISO14001	Environmental Standard
ISO17799	Code of Practice for Information Security Management
ISO9001	Quality Management Standard
ISO/TS16949	Automotive Technical Specification

J

JIT	Just in Time
JOT	Just on Time

K

KG. Kilogram(s)
KPI Key Performance Indicators

L

L L/C Letter of Credit
LAR Live Animals Regulation
LB. Pounds (mass)
LHO Living human organs/blood
LIC License required

M

M M Rate class code indicating minimum charges used in the rate class box of the AWB
m meter(s)
m3 cubic meter(s)
MAG Magnetized material
MCO Miscellaneous Charges Order
MUW Munitions of war

N

N.A. North America issue of TACT
N.E.S.O.I Not Elsewhere specified or included
NCV No Commercial Value or No Customs Value
NDA No dimensions available
No., Nr. Number
NVD No value Declared
NWP Newspapers, magazines

O

O OBX Obnoxious cargo
OHG Overhang item

P

P P.O.(B). Post Office (Box)
PAC Passenger and cargo
PBA Paid by Agent
PEF Flowers
PEM Meat
PEP Fruits and vegetables
PER Perishable cargo
PES Fish/Seafood
PIL Pharmaceuticals
POD Port of Discharge
POL Port of Loading
PP Charge Prepaid

Q

QRT Quick Ramp Transfer
QSHE Quality, Safety, Health, Environment including Security

R

R R	Rate class code indicating that a reduced class rate has been applied
RAC	Reserved Air Cargo
RCL	Cyogenic liquids
RCM	Corrosive
RCX	Explosives 1.3C
RDS	Diagnostic specimens
REQ	Expected Quantities of Dangerous Goods
REX	Normally forbidden explosives - Divisions 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4F, 1.5 and 1.6
RFG	Flammable gas
RFL	Flammable liquid
RFS	Flammable solid
RFW	Dangerous when wet
RGX	Explosives 1.3G
RIS	Infectious substance
RMD	Miscellaneous dangerous goods
RNG	Non-flammable non-toxic gas
ROP	Organic peroxide
ROX	Oxidizer
RPB	Toxic substance
RPG	Toxic gas
RRE	Excepted Quantities of Radioactive Material
RRW	Radioactive material, category I-white
RRY	Radioactive material, categories II and II-yellow
RSB	Polymeric beads
RSC	Spontaneously combustible
RXB	Explosives 1.4B
RXC	Explosives 1.4C
RXD	Explosives 1.4D
RXE	Explosives 1.4E
RXG	Explosives 1.4G
RXS	Explosives 1.4S

S

SAL	Surface mail
SCR	Specific Commodity Rate
SDR	Special Drawing Rights
SHL	Save human life
SITA	Société Internationale de Télécommunications Aéronautiques
SLI	Shipper's Letter of Instruction
SOC	Shipper's Own Container
SPF	Laboratory animals
SUR	Surface transportation
SWP	Sporting weapons

T

TACT	The Air Cargo Tariff
TAPA	Technology Asset Protection Association
THC	Terminal Handling Charges

U

UCP	Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credit
ULD	Unit Load Device
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference of Trade and Development

V

VAL	Valuable cargo
VOL	Volume
VUN	Vulnerable cargo

W

W or WT	Weight Ton or Measurement
W.W.	Worldwide issue of TACT
W/M	Weight Ton or Measurement
WET	Shipments of wet material not packed in watertight containers
WTO	World Trade Organization

X

XPS	Priority small package
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N/A	Not Applicable
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Z

N/A	Not Applicable
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