

**Implementation of Strengthened Singapore Customs Manifest Regulation****1<sup>st</sup> August 2024**

Dear Valued Customers,

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

As part of the Free Trade Zone (Amendment) Bill, which was passed on 4th October 2023, the revised FTZ regime commenced on 1st March 2024. Singapore Customs will now require carriers and shipping agents to provide cargo information through the specified FTZ cargo handler (PSA Terminal). Singapore Customs has agreed to first implement the submission of BL data by shipping agents for non-containerised cargo brought in and out of Jurong Port FTZ by 31 August 2024.

In this regard, we would like to inform our customers that Hapag-Lloyd will start submission in advance to prepare for any unexpected issues via pre-test during import declaration.

**SG Customs Requirements:**

- **Effective date:** 1st September 2024
- **Scope:** Singapore Export, Import, and Transshipment Cargo
- **Custom Submission Deadline:**
  - **Import:-**
    - **Long Haul** – 12 hours prior to vessel berthing at SG
    - **Short Haul** – Not later than vessel departure from the last foreign port.
  - **Export:** Within 24 hours after Vessel Departure

**Submission Data Required:**

- Shipper name and address
- Consignee name and address
- Notify name and address
- Cargo description and HS code (4/6/8 digits)
- Container numbers, goods weight, and quantity

**Important Notes:**

**Carrier is not liable for any consequences arising from customer's non-compliance with this regulation.**

- **Amendments:** Can be made if there's a change in the original B/L data submitted to customs, no later than the stipulated timings given above.
- **Penalties for Non-Compliance (after 1st Sep 2024):** Singapore Customs will review the cases of missing, late, or inaccurate submission of BL data on a case-to-case basis, to determine the reasons for non-compliance and the appropriate penalty to be imposed. If any shipping agent, without reasonable excuse, fails to comply with the specified requirements of this Circular pertaining to the submission of information under Section 14N(2) of the Act, it shall be guilty of an offence under Section 14N(3) of the Act, and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both. Should you have any inquiries, please contact our CS representative in the Hapag-Lloyd Quality Centre.

For further clarification please visit: <https://www.customs.gov.sg/news-and-media/circulars/>

Yours Sincerely,

Hapag-Lloyd Pte Ltd, Singapore &amp; Quality Service Centre Malaysia