



GLOBAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INC TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT—STRAIGHT BILL OF LADING

SEC.1. (a) The carrier or the party in possession of any of the property described in this bill of lading shall be liable as at common law for any loss thereto, except is hereinafter provided.

(b) No carrier shall be liable for any loss or damage to a shipment or for any delay caused by an act of God, the public enemy, the authority of law, or the act or default of shipper. Except in the case of negligence of the carrier or party in possession, the carrier or party in possession shall not be liable for loss, damage or delay which results: when the property is stopped and held in transit upon request of the shipper, owner or party entitled to make such request of the shipper, owner or party entitled to make such request, or from faulty or impassible highway, or by lack of capacity of a highway bridge or ferry; or from a defect or vice in the property; or from riots or strike. The burden to prove freedom from negligence is on the carrier or the party on possession.

SEC. 2. Unless arranged or agreed upon, in writing, prior to shipment, carrier is not bound to transport a shipment by a particular schedule or in time for a particular market, but is responsible to transport with reasonable dispatch. In case of physical necessity, carrier may forward a shipment via another carrier.

SEC.3. (a) As a condition precedent to recovery, claims must be filed in writing with: any participating carrier having sufficient information to identify the shipment.

(b) Claims for loss or damage must be filed within nine month after the delivery of the property (or, in the case of export traffic, within nine months after delivery at the port of export), except that claims for failure to make delivery must be filed within nine months after a reasonable time of delivery has elapsed.

(c) Suits for loss, damage, injury or delay shall be instituted against any carrier no later than two years and one day from the day written notice is given by the carrier to the claimant that has disallowed the claim or any part or parts of the claim specified in the notice. Where claims are not filed or suits are not institutes thereon in accordance with the foregoing provision, no carrier shall be liable, and such claims will not be paid.

(d) Any carrier or party liable for loss of or damage to nay of said property shall have the full benefit of any insurance that may have been effected, upon or on account of said property, so far as this shall not void the policies or contracts of insurance will reimburse the claimant for the premium paid on the insurance policy or contract.

SEC. 4. (a) If the consignee refuses the shipment tendered for delivery by carrier or if carrier is unable to deliver the shipment, because of fault or mistake of the consignor or consignees, the carriers liability shall than become that of a warehouseman. Carrier shall promptly provide notice, by telephonic or electronic communications provided on the face of the bill of lading, if so indicated, to the shipper or the party, if based in carrier's tariff, shall start no sooner than the next business day following the attempted notification. Storage may be at the carrier's option in any location that provides reasonable protection against loss or option, in any location that provides reasonable protection against loss or damage. The carrier may place the shipment in public storage tat the owner's expense and with out liability to the carrier.

(b) If the carrier does not receive disposition instructions within 48 hours of time if carrier's attempted first notification, carrier will attempt to issue a second and final confirmed notification. Such notice shall advise that if carrier does not receive disposition instructions within 10 days of that notification, carrier may offer the shipment for sale at a public auction and the carrier has the right to offer the shipment for sale. The amount of sale will be applied to the carrier's invoice for transportation, storage and other lawful charges. The owner will be responsible for the balance of charges not covered by the sale of the goods. If there is a balance remaining after all charges and expenses are paid, such balance will be paid to the owner of the property sold hereunder, upon claim and proof of ownership.

(c) Where carrier has attempted to follow the procedure ser forth in subsections 4 (a) and (b) above and the procedure provided in this section in not possible, nothing in this section shall be constructed to abridge the right of the carrier at its option to sell the property under such circumstances and in such manner as may be authorized by law. When perishable goods cannot be delivered and disposition is not given within a reasonable time, the carrier may dispose of property to the best advantage.

(d) Where a carrier is directed by consignee or consignor to unload or deliver property at a particular location where consignor, consignee, or the agent of either, is not regularly located, the risk after unloading or delivery shall not be that of the carrier.

SEC. 5. (a) in all cases not prohibited by law, where a lower value than the actual value of the said property has been stated in writing by the shipper or has been agreed upon in writing as the released value of the property is determined by the classification of tariffs upon which the rate is based, such lower value plus freight charges is paid shall be the maximum recoverable amount for the loss or damage, whether or not such loss or damage occurs from negligence.

(b) No carrier hereunder will carry or be liable in any way for any documents, coin money, or for any articles of extraordinary value not specifically rated in the published classification or tariffs unless a special agreement to do so and a stipulated value of the articles are endorsed on this bill of lading.

SEC. 6. Every party, whether principal or agent, who ships explosives or dangerous goods, without previous full written disclosure to the carrier of their nature, shall be liable for and indemnify the carrier against all loss or damage caused by such goods. Such goods may be warehoused at owner's risk and expense or destroyed without compensation.

SEC.7. (a) The consignor or consignee shall be liable for the freight and other lawful charges accruing on the shipment, as billed or corrected, except that collect shipments may move without recourse to the consignor when the consignor so stipulates by signature or endorsement in the space provided in the face bill of lading. Nevertheless, the consignor shall remain liable for transportation charges where there has been erroneous determination of the freight charges assessed, based upon incomplete or incorrect information provided by the consignor.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) above, the consignee's liability for payment of additional charges that may be found to be due after delivery shall be as specified by 49 U.S.C. §13706, except that the consignee need not provide the specified written notice to the delivering carrier if the consignee is a for-hire carrier.

(c) Nothing in this bill of lading shall limit the right of the carrier to require the prepayment or guarantee of the charges at the time of shipment or prior to delivery. If the description of articles or other information in this bill of lading is found to be incorrect or incomplete, the freight charges must be paid based upon the articles actually shipped.

SEC.8. If this bill of lading is issued on the order of the shipper, or his agent in exchange or in substitution for another bill of lading, the shipper's signature on the prior bill of lading or in connection with the prior bill of lading as to the statement of value or otherwise, or as to the election of common law or bill of lading liability shall be considered a part of this bill of lading as fully s if the same were written on or made in connection with this bill of lading.

SEC.9. If all or any part of said property is carried by water over any part of said route, such water carrier shall be performed subject to the terms and provisions and limitations of liability specified by the "Carriage of Good By Sea Act" and any other pertinent laws applicable to water carriers.