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Glossary of Charges

All business undertaken subject to our standard trading conditions, available upon request.

Import Air

Destination International Terminal Fee/IDF/Break-Bulk: (IDF) a processing fee charged by the Airline Ground handling agent for processing the relevant paperwork. Local air cargo charges at destination, Import Terminal Fee. Includes document processing & International Documentation Fee charged by local Airline Ground Handlers. Also includes air cargo automation process fee & CMR document retention fee.

Destination Cargo Automation Fee: A processing fee for electronically reporting the cargo manifest to Australian Customs Service.

CMR Document Retention Fee: Fee for customs compliance under CMR legislation.

Origin On Forwarding Charges: Cost of origin charges associated with freighting the consignment. Often called ExWorks Charges

International Freight: Cost for freighting the consignment from origin to destination via air.

Air Line Storage: Charge for goods held at the airlines exceeding their free time allowed

Import Sea

International Freight:	Cost for freighting the consignment from origin to destination via sea.
Origin On Forwarding Charges:	Cost of origin charges associated with freighting the consignment. Often called ExWorks Charges
Destination Port Charges:	An unpacking cost charged by all cargo handling agents & Shipping Lines.
CMR Document Retention Fee:	Administration fee for customs compliance under CMR legislation
Delivery Order:	(D.O.) a cargo release document fee, given in exchange for an original Bill of Lading. Issued by shipping companies & freight forwarders to enable Consignees to collect cargo/containers ex-wharf or depot.
Destination Cargo Automation Fee:	A processing fee for electronically reporting the cargo manifest to Australian Customs Service
Destination Terminal Handling Charges:	Levied by ports & or shipping companies to reflect the cost of stevedoring for receivals
Destination Port Licence Fee (Melbourne):	Levied by the Shipping Lines due to a new tax being imposed by the Australian Government on the Port of Melbourne
BAF :	(Bunker Adjustment Factor) Surcharge assessed by Shipping carrier which is applied to Freight rates to supplement an unexpected rise in Fuel costs
CAF:	(Currency adjustment factor) a charge to alleviate exchange rate deficiencies.
Peak Season Surcharge (PSS) or Rate Restoration (RR):	A surcharge assessed by the Shipping Line is applied to the freight rate when demand for containers is at a high peak
Destination Documentation Fee:	Document fee as billed by the Shipping Lines
Destination Lift On / Lift Off	Levied by ports & or shipping companies to reflect the cost of lifting each container off vessels, into their depots & then onto transport trucks.
Wharf Storage:	Charge for goods held on the wharf exceeding the free time allowed by the Stevedores (normally 3 days after vessel availability)
Freight Insurance:	Contractual relationship which exists when one party, for a consideration, agrees to reimburse another for loss caused by designated contingencies. Contract is an insurance policy; consideration is premium property in question at risk; contingency in question is hazard/peril
Container Demurrage:	Penalty for exceeding free time allowed by the Shipping Line in de-hiring their containers (normally 7-10 days after 1st day of vessel availability)
Australian Port Security Surcharge:	A Surcharge levied by the Shipping Lines due to higher security measures being required on our domestic wharves.
Origin Port Security Surcharge:	A Surcharge levied by the Shipping Lines due to higher security measures being required on our international wharves.

Export Air

Airline Fuel Surcharge:	A fuel surcharge levy charged by the airlines based on the price of aviation fuel set by the world indexing body at the time of the export.
Airline Security Fee:	A fee charged by the airlines to ensure cargo meets their standard for air transport & verify the goods are safe & non-hazardous to travel.
Airport Transfer Fee:	Fee charged for transporting the goods from our warehouse to the airport prior to export.
AWB:	Cost of cutting an export Air way bill.
Cartage:	The charge paid for picking up & delivering goods by surface transportation back to BTi Warehouse prior to export
Dangerous Goods Regulation Fee:	A fee charged for handling dangerous goods. Extra special attention is given due to the importance & nature of the commodity. Our staff are fully trained in Dangerous goods handling & compliance.
EDF:	Export Document Fee, charged by the Airline ground handling agent for document processing
Freight Air Export:	Cost of freighting the consignment to destination via air.
Handling Fee:	a fee charged for handling the cargo, re-weighing & verifying dimensions of cargo prior to Export
Overseas Clearance & delivery Charges:	Cost for our overseas agents to customs clear goods & deliver which have been sent from Australia. (as per terms of shipping)
Security handling Fee:	(ECN) a fee charged for electronically reporting the commodity of the export to Australian Customs. Needs to be classified by a licensed broker so that the correct classification is applied to the commodity. Required for all exports over the value of A\$2,000 per consignment.
Valuable Cargo Fee:	A fee charged for handling valuable cargo. Extra special attention & security is given due to the importance & nature of the commodity.

Export Sea

Freight Air Export:	Cost of freighting the consignment to destination via sea.
BAF:	(Bunker Adjustment Factor) charged by shipping companies to alleviate fluctuating bunkering costs (ship's fuel oil).
CAF:	(Currency adjustment factor) a charge to alleviate exchange rate deficiencies.
Peak Season Surcharge (PSS) or Rate Restoration (RR):	A surcharge assessed by the Shipping Line is applied to the freight rate when demand for containers is at a high peak
Cartage:	The charge paid for picking up & delivering goods by surface transportation prior to export to the packing depot/warehouse.
Documentation/Handling:	a fee charged for the processing of documents & handling of the export shipment
ECN FEE:	(Export clearance fee) a fee charged for electronically reporting the commodity of the export to Australian Customs. Needs to be classified by a licensed broker so that the correct classification is applied to the commodity. Required for all exports over the value of A\$2,000 per consignment.
LOLO:	(Lift on Lift off) Charges levied by Terminal Operators
Origin Terminal Handling Charge:	(OTHC) levied by some ports and or shipping companies to reflect cost of cargo stevedoring for receivals.
Overseas Clearance & Delivery Charges	Cost for our overseas agents to customs clear companies to reflect cost of cargo stevedoring for receivals.
Packing Sea:	Charge for our warehouse to pack the goods & get them ready for export.
Shipping Co Doc Export:	Shipping line or co-loader fee for issuing of Ocean Bill of lading.
War Risk:	Surcharge charged by shipping lines to protect their insurance premium against terrorist attack & sailing to or near nations defined as war risk areas by insurance companies.

Customs Clearance

CMR Document Retention Fee:	Administration fee for customs compliance under CMR legislation.
COD Collection Fee:	Collection of out-standing invoice for COD accounts prior to goods being delivered.
Declaration Processing Charge (Entry Fee):	Australian Customs administration fee for clearance release payable to Australian Customs, which can also be made up of AQIS Processing & AQIS Container charges & the amount payable is determined by the mode of shipping into Australia.
Disbursement fee:	Out-lay fee for disbursement invoice.
Duty:	Duty incurred on imported goods, per scheduled tariff calculated on FOB value.
GST Disbursement:	Goods & Services tax incurred on imported goods, calculated at 10% on CIF value + duty value.
Fumigation Fee:	Cost to fumigate the container as directed by Quarantine to eradicate pests.
Postage & Petties:	Incidental costs for clearance, phone, fax postage etc...
Customs Clearance / Agency Fees:	BTi Agency fee for handling the customs and clearance entry formalities.
Quarantine Service fee:	Quarantine fee for import document release or direction payable to the Department of Agriculture
Quarantine Release fee:	BTi fee to review and access all import documents to ensure shipment complies with the Australian quarantine regulations.
Cartage:	The charge paid for picking up & delivering goods by surface transportation to the consignees nominated address. Modes can be either a standard truck, tailgate truck or drop trailers.
Tailgate Fee:	Fee incurred to inspect container for wooden pallets / dunnage, as directed by the Department of Agriculture, payable to Department of Agriculture
Destination Time Slot Booking Fee + Destination Time Slot Empty Return Fee:	Administration fee from terminal/wharf for allocation of timeslot for container collection & then de-hire empty container to empty parks. (FCL ONLY)
Delivery Fuel Surcharge:	Surcharge assessed by the cartage company which is applied to cartage rates to supplement an unexpected rise in fuel costs
Landed Cost Report:	The total expense of receiving goods/merchandise at place of retail sale including purchase price & transportation costs.
Storage at Yard:	Fee incurred by the Transport company to hold a Container OR LCL goods at their premises for any length of time.
Cartage Via Yard:	Fee incurred when a Container is sent via the cartage companies yard either overnight or for a period of time before being delivered to the client
Inspection Fee:	Applicable where a Department of Agriculture Officer has reason to inspect the goods for further clarification or to nominate specific treatments if required.
Customs Hold:	Hold placed on shipment at Customs discretion to enable them to complete further processes required before release

Steam Clean:	External wash of the container to eradicate foot and mouth disease
Container Demurrage:	Penalty for exceeding free time allowed by the Shipping Line in de-hiring their containers (normally 7-10 days after 1st day of vessel availability)
Cartage Detention:	Penalty for exceeding free time allowed for unloading / loading by the cartage company
