



CUSTOMER ADVISORY  
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## Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SCMT)

September 27, 2019

US Exports to Indian Sub-Continent  
Effective November 1, 2019

Dear Valued Customer,

Please be advised that regulatory changes to Sea Cargo Manifests for all cargo arriving to India went into effect August 1, 2019 as published by the Government of India in Notification No. 54/2019-Customs (N.T.). A grace period still in effect for any cargo arriving before November 1, 2019, at which time these new requirements will be strictly enforced from November 1, 2019 onward.

In order to comply with these regulatory changes, CMA CGM will require the following information on your Shipping Instructions for all cargo exporting USA to India (including transshipment or FROB-Freight Remaining On-Board) beginning October 1, 2019:

- Local Legal ID for Consignee and/or Notify must be shown on the B/L and Cargo Manifest (IEC and/or PAN number).
  - IEC = Importer Exporter Code (10 digit) issued by the director general of Foreign Trade (DGFT), Department of Commerce, Government of India.
  - PAN = Permanent Account Number (10-digit alpha-numeric) issued by the Indian Income Tax department.
- 6 Digit HS Code must be shown on the B/L and Cargo Manifest
- Cargo Value must be shown on Cargo Manifest ONLY – Cargo Value will NOT be shown on the B/L
  - If you are using an electronic platform to submit Shipping Instruction, value of the cargo should be input in the B/L comments section in this format:
    - INVOICE VALUE USD XXXX

While CMA CGM will continue to load cargo that may be missing this required information, we will not provide draft B/L or final B/L until it is received. Any delays in receiving this required information may result in penalties being incurred for customer account.

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