

## § 102-117.115

### § 102-117.115 How do I calculate total delivery costs?

You calculate total delivery costs for a shipment by considering all costs related to the shipping or receiving process, such as packing, blocking, bracing, drayage, loading and unloading, and transporting.

### § 102-117.120 To what extent must I equally distribute orders for transportation and related services among TSPs?

You must assure that small businesses, socially or economically disadvantaged and women-owned TSPs have equal opportunity to provide the transportation or related services.

### § 102-117.125 How detailed must I describe property for shipment when communicating to a TSP?

You must describe property in enough detail for the TSP to determine the type of equipment or any special precautions necessary to move the shipment. Details might include weight, volume, measurements, routing, hazardous cargo, or special handling designations.

### § 102-117.130 Must I select TSPs who use alternative fuels?

No, but, whenever possible, you are encouraged to select TSPs that use alternative fuel vehicles and equipment, under policy in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 7612) or the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13212).

## Subpart D—Restrictions That Affect International Transportation of Freight and Household Goods

### § 102-117.135 What are the international transportation restrictions?

Several statutes mandate the use of U.S. flag carriers for international shipments (see 48 CFR part 47, subparts 47.4 and 47.5). For example:

- (a) Arrangements for international air transportation services must follow the Fly America Act (International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974) (49 U.S.C. 40118); and
- (b) International movement of property by water is subject to the cargo

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preference laws (see 46 CFR part 381 and 48 CFR part 47, subpart 47.5), which require the use of a U.S. flag carrier when service is available. The Maritime Administration (MARAD) monitors agency compliance of these laws. All Government shippers must send a rated copy of the ocean carrier's bill of lading to MARAD within 30 days of loading aboard a vessel to:

Department of Transportation  
Maritime Commission  
Office of Cargo Preference  
400 7th Street, SW.  
Washington, DC 20590  
<http://www.marad.dot.gov/>  
Tel. 1-800-9US-FLAG  
E-mail: [cargo@marad.dot.gov](mailto:cargo@marad.dot.gov)

NOTE TO § 102-117.135(B): Non-vessel Operations Common Carrier (NVOCC) or freight forwarder bills of lading are not acceptable (see 48 CFR part 47).

### § 102-117.140 What is cargo preference?

Cargo preference is the statutory requirement that all, or a portion of all, ocean-borne cargo that moves internationally be transported on U.S. flag vessels. Deviations or waivers from the cargo preference laws must be approved by:

Department of Transportation  
Maritime Administration  
Office of Cargo Preference  
400 7th Street, SW.  
Washington, DC 20590  
<http://www.marad.dot.gov/>  
Tel. 1-800-9US-FLAG  
e-mail: [cargo@marad.dot.gov](mailto:cargo@marad.dot.gov)

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### § 102-117.145 What are coastwise laws?

Coastwise laws refer to laws governing shipment of freight, household goods and passengers by water between points in the United States or its territories. The purpose of these laws is to assure reliable shipping service and the existence of a maritime capability in times of war or national emergency (see section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, 46 App. U.S.C. 883, 19 CFR 4.80).

### § 102-117.150 What do I need to know about coastwise laws?

You need to know that: