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### **OOCL's Mission Statement**

To be the best and most innovative international container transport and logistics service provider; providing a Vital Link to world trade and creating value for our customers, employees, shareholders, and partners.

#### **Customer Feedback**

We believe in long-term, mutually beneficial relationships with our customers and create value through collaboration to enhance your experience. We would love to hear from you.

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# **New Product: Transpacific Latin Pacific 8 (TLP8)**

OOCL is pleased to announce a new loop—Transpacific Latin Pacific 8 (TLP8).

The new service offers express linkage between Asia and Mexico, featuring a comprehensive port coverage in the Asia-Latin America network regions.

In addition, it offers a competitive transit time of **16 days** from Qingdao to Ensenada; and **20 days** from Qingdao to Manzanillo.

For more information on this new service, please visit OOCL.com's press release.



# Port Rotation:

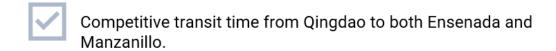
East Bound: Shanghai - Qingdao - Ensenada - Manzanillo

West Bound: Manzanillo - Ensenada - Yokohama -

Shanghai - Qingdao







# **Labor Day Marine Terminal Gate Closures**

The following US Marine Terminal Gates have announced they will be closed on **September 1**, **2025**, in observance of Labor Day in the United States and Canada.

#### USA:

- Baltimore
  - Seagirt
- Boston
  - Conley Terminal
- Charleston
  - Wando Terminal
- Houston
  - Bayport Container Terminal
  - o Barbours Cut Terminal
- Long Beach
  - o LBCT
  - o PCT
- Los Angeles
  - o APMT
  - o Everport LAS
  - o Fenix Marine Services
  - o YTI
  - o Trapac
- Miami, Florida
  - o South Florida Container Terminal
- Mobile
  - APM
- New Orleans
  - Ports America NOLA
- New York
  - o APM
  - Maher
  - o Port Liberty NY
  - o Port Liberty Bayonne
- Norfolk

- VIG
- o NIT
- Oakland
  - Everport OAK
  - o OICT
  - o Trapac OAK
- Savannah
  - Georgia Ports Authority
  - 0
- Seattle
  - o T5, T18
- Tacoma
  - Pierce County Terminal
- Tampa
  - o Port of Tampa

#### Canada:

- Halifax
  - o PSA Halifax
- Montreal
  - MGT Cast Terminal
  - MGT Racine Terminal
  - Termont Montreal
- Prince Rupert
  - DP World Prince Rupert
- Vancouver
  - o Vanterm
  - o Deltaport
  - o Centerm



# **Proper Shipping Name for Cargo Description**

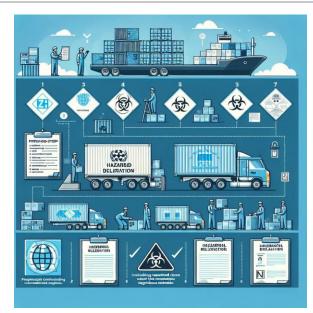
Proper shipping names provide standardized, universally recognized terminology to identify and categorize both non-hazardous and hazardous materials.

Utilization of the proper shipping name can provide a clear and precise identification of the cargoes, which is essential for the customs clearance process and the compliance of regulations within international shipping. This can also protect shippers from potential legal issues that may arise due to misdeclaration of cargo.

OOCL as an example, does not accept proprietary trade/brand names as a cargo description. Instead, the actual shipping names should be used.

To avoid negative downstream effects when submitting booking requests, shipping instructions, or even rate

requests, please always ensure the proper shipping name is utilized. Here are some tips:



- **Identify the Cargo**: Determine the exact nature of the goods you are shipping. This includes understanding whether cargo is hazardous or non-hazardous.
- Use Standardized Terminology: Utilize standardized, universally recognized terminology
  to identify and categorize the materials. Avoid using proprietary trade or brand names.
   For example, instead of using "iPad," use "electronic tablet," and instead of "Jose
  Cuervo," use "tequila in bottles".
- Include the UN Number: If applicable, include the United Nations (UN) number associated with the cargo. This number is used to identify hazardous materials and ensure safe handling and transportation.

# Examples of Non-acceptable Cargo Descriptions Reflecting Proper Shipping Name:



# Examples of Acceptable Cargo Descriptions Reflecting Proper Shipping Name:



#### **ERD vs DFRD**



# **ERD**

# **Terminal/Rail Earliest Receiving Date**

The ERD is the earliest date the marine terminal/rail depot will accept export containers at the gate for the intended vessel. It is key to check with the receiving terminal on the ERD for the individual vessel as the date could have changed after your booking has been made.

# **DFRD**

### **OOCL's Demurrage Free Receive Date**

The DFRD date is the first date that you may tender an export container without incurring OOCL demurrage. Delivering containers too early will result in OOCL outbound demurrage being charged per our tariff rules, regardless of the marine terminal's earliest receiving date. Outbound demurrage applies equally to merchant and carrier haulage. This information is provided with the Booking Acknowledgement.

# Rule of Thumb: Always use the latest date!

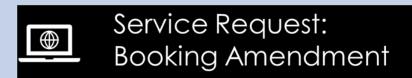
For example, if the terminal's ERD is September 8 and OOCL's DFRD is September 12. To avoid demurrage charges, utilize the latest date, which is OOCL's DFRD of September 12.



# **My OOCL Center: Service Request**

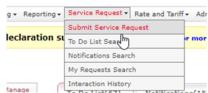


# **MOC- My OOCL Center**



For any booking amendments, including rolling or advancing a booking as well as booking reduction or cancellation, the most efficient method to making changes to your booking(s) is having your updates submitted through a service request within My OOCL Center (MOC). The turnaround time for service request submissions is quicker and a better option than submitting the request via email, which can take up to 1 business day. The steps below provides guidance on how to submit a service request.

Log into MOC and go to Service Request → Submit Service Request.



Enter in your booking number → Search and select the appropriate service request based on your needs. The example below is for "Increase/Split/Roll/Reduce Booking." Then click on the "Online" hyperlink.



A pre-filled form will populate, and you should check the appropriate amendment type box and enter any further details or comments on the "Change Remarks" field. Click on the "Submit" button to finalize submission. You will be provided with a stamp date and time receipt of your Service Request.





## **Results:**



Faster Updates to your Booking (s)



**Easy Service Request Template Submission** 



Increased Accuracy for Amendment Information



Seamless Customer Service Experience



Within 4 Business
Hours Turn-around



Increased Visibility into Booking Amendment Status

## **Customer Feedback**

OOCL prides itself on its focus on the customer – our partner. We believe in long-term, mutually beneficial relationships with our customers and create value through collaboration to enhance customer experience.

We Take It Personally for our customers – going beyond normal job responsibilities to serve our customers both internally and externally.

Customer feedback is encouraged and essential to our business to keep us connected.

To submit your feedback, please visit our <u>website</u> and click on the horizontal "Feedback" button on the right-hand corner of the page and then select "Customer Feedback" option.



