Incoterms® 2010 rules

Commercial terms form an integral part of contracts of sale. In international trade, commercial terms specify the responsibilities of the parties to a contract of sale related to the delivery of goods, the distribution of costs and the transfer of risk from the seller to the buyer. Only by referring clearly to an appropriate term can the parties ensure that the term is part of the contract of sale and binding on both parties. For example, CIP (street address and town/city) Incoterms® 2010.

Incoterms is the most widely used collection of commercial terms known all over the world. Incoterms were first published in 1936. Since then, the terms have been regularly revised to comply with the prevailing practices and requirements of goods transportation. The latest version, Incoterms® 2010, became effective on 1 January 2011.

This brochure aims to explain the most important differences between the various terms and the critical points used in international trade. A critical point is that point where the seller's responsibility ends and the buyer's responsibility begins. Since some of the terms leave the question of critical point open, it must be explicitly specified in the contract of sale. The terms are divided into two categories, depending on whether they can be applied to all transport or only sea and inland waterway transport.

If you have any questions about payment methods, commercial terms and cargo insurance, OP Corporate Bank and Pohjola Insurance experts will be happy to help:

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The Incoterms® 2010 publication of the International Chamber of Commerce is the only official account of the contents of the commercial terms. In order to avoid misinterpretations, this brochure should be used together with the Incoterms® 2010 publication, and the text in the English-language publication will prevail.

Markings used in the brochure

RISKS

The seller bears the risk of loss of or damage to goods

The buyer bears the risk of loss of or damage to goods

Risk is the possibility of an incident resulting in the loss of or damage to the goods during transport. In this brochure, *Risk* describes the transfer of risk from the seller to the buyer and the critical point for the transfer of risk. The seller or buyer can protect against transport risks by taking out cargo insurance. Insurance is taken out by the party that bears the risk or has the obligation to insure the goods according to the commercial terms used.

COSTS

The seller's responsibility for costs

The buyer's responsibility for costs

Costs describes the division of responsibility between the parties regarding costs related to the delivery of the goods, such as freight, loading and unloading costs, customs duties, taxes and other similar charges.

DOCUMENTS

The seller's responsibility to obtain documents at its own cost

The buyer's responsibility to obtain documents at its own cost

Documents describe which party to the transaction is responsible for obtaining, at its risk and cost, documents related to the delivery of the goods, including export licences, certificates of origin, insurance policies, shipping documents and delivery documents.

CARGO INSURANCE

The seller's responsibility to take out cargo insurance

Under the CIF and CIP terms, the seller must take out cargo insurance for the benefit of the buyer with at least the minimum cover specified in Clause C of the Institute Cargo Clauses or similar minimum cover. If the buyer so requires, the seller must obtain, at the buyer's cost, more comprehensive cover, provided by, for example, Clauses A and B of the Institute Cargo Clauses and the Institute War and Strikes Clauses. The insurable value must exceed the price stated in the contract of sale by at least 10%, and the currency must be the currency of the contract. The insurance must be valid up to the named port of destination (CIF) or place of destination (CIP).

CRITICAL POINT SPECIFIED IN THE CONTRACT

A critical point is that point where, in accordance with the commercial terms used, the seller's responsibility ends and the buyer's responsibility begins. Since some of the terms leave the question of critical point open, it must be explicitly specified in the contract of sale. In this brochure, this critical point is described as follows:



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Critical points in domestic and international trade



SELLER'S RESPONSIBILITIES BUYER'S RESPONSIBILITIES EX WORKS (named place of delivery) Places the goods at the buyer's disposal at an agreed point at the named place of delivery, where the buyer can load the goods on a vehicle on an agreed date or within an agreed period Receives the goods upon delivery · Is responsible for the costs associated with the goods and the loss of and damage to the goods after the point of delivery Is responsible for the loss of and damage to the goods and pays all costs associated with the goods up to the point of delivery Completes all export and import formalities and pays all duties, taxes and other costs associated with importing or transporting the goods through Completes all the necessary export formalities FREE CARRIER (named place of delivery) Delivers the goods to a carrier named by the buyer or to another person, either a) at the seller's premises loaded on a means of transport provided by the buyer or b) at another named Is responsible for the costs associated with the goods and the loss of and damage to the goods after the point of delivery place delivered on the seller's means of transport and ready for unloading by the buyer on an agreed date or within an agreed period Completes all the necessary import formalities and pays all duties, taxes and other costs associated with importing or transporting the goods through Is responsible for the loss of and damage to the goods and pays all costs associated with the goods up to the point of delivery CARRIAGE PAID TO (named place of destination) Accepts the goods upon delivery and receives the goods from a carrier at the named place of destination **CPT** Delivers the goods to a designated carrier on an agreed date or within an agreed period Is responsible for the costs associated with the goods and the loss of and damage to the goods after the point of delivery Concludes a transport agreement under customary terms and conditions and pays carriage to the named place of destination Pays unloading costs, unless it is stated in the transport agreement that they are payable by the seller . 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