

CIRCULAR: EHS/PM/04/12
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**To: All Shipping Lines, Shipping Agents, Ship Owners, Vessel Operators,
Shippers and Other Interested Parties**

**Subject: Port Safety Requirements for Import, Export and
Trans-shipment Class 8 Cargo**

This circular informs all concerned/ interested parties to follow and comply with the below stated Port safety requirements in addition to the IMDG Code compliances for Import, Export and Transshipment of **Class 8 cargo**.

1. Packaging Requirements

Only UN certified packaging is permitted to transport IMO class 8 Cargo. In case if the packaging is not UN certified, then the following Port EHS requirements shall be complied

- a. For plastic drums capacity of 200 Litres and above, only single tier storage is permitted and no drums shall be stowed one over other.
- b. For Plastic Jerri-cans, only maximum three tier stowage is permitted and no Pallets/ Palletised Jerri-cans shall be stowed one over other.
- c. Concentrated Nitric Acid is a strong oxidizing agent and can cause a fire risk if it comes into contact with combustible materials such as wood etc., which is used in packages/container. Hence, adequate control measures shall be taken to prevent fire and cargo spill by taking into consideration of all potential hazards and risks.
- d. Customer shall obtain the ““Container Packing Certificate” for all Class 8 containers at the point of loading. Upon request, submits the same certificate along with photographic evidence of packaging to the Port Regulator - Trakhees - EHS through e-mail, EHS.Ports@Trakhees.ae
- e. Port regulator- Trakhees-EHS shall conduct random inspection on packages to ensure compliance requirements.

2. Temperature Control

If the cargo requires temperature control, then the temperature controlled container only shall be used in line with IMDG requirements. It is the responsibility of the shipper, consignee and agent to evaluate the prevailing temperature at DP World Ports in UAE (eg. Port Jebel Ali) and accordingly utilize such a suitable container with adequate control measures.

3. Port Storage requirements:

- a. Transshipment Class 8 Hazardous container shall not be stored within the port more than 10 days.
- b. Import Class 8 Hazardous container shall be cleared within 3 working days.
- c. Export Class 8 Hazardous container shall not be stored within the port more than 3 working days.

The above stated Port safety requirements will be effective from 1st September 2012.

Should there be any non-compliance to these safety requirements, the resulting action from EHS would be an imposition of appropriate sanctions in the form of financial penalty/prohibition notice against the company.

We look forward to your cooperation in enhancing Environment, Health & Safety standards. All enquiries related to this circular should be sent to EHS.Ports@trakhees.ae

Sincerely,

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