

DANGEROUS GOODS OPERATION POLICY

AT HATECO HAIPHONG INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER TERMINAL

At **Hateco Hai Phong International Container Terminal (HHIT)**, our unwavering dedication lies in the continual enhancement of our services to guarantee utmost satisfaction for our esteemed customers. In alignment with this steadfast commitment, we have formulated an official policy governing the receipt and management of **dangerous goods** at HHIT terminal.

This policy is applied to all carriers, shippers, consignees, and agents involved in the transportation and handling of dangerous and hazardous cargoes within HHIT premises. HHIT accepts a diverse array of dangerous containers that strictly adhere to the regulations and classifications outlined by the **International Maritime Organization (IMO)**, subject to the following directives:

1. Regulatory Adherence: All dangerous and hazardous goods must possess the requisite permits for import and/or export, duly issued by the Vietnamese Government.

2. Preemptive Notification: It is imperative that HHIT receives advance notification regarding shipments classified under IMO Class 1 (explosives), Class 6.2 (infectious substances) and Class 7 (radioactive substances/materials). Such shipments will be exclusively accepted directly from vessels or chassis, without any intermediary yard storage or customs inspection.

3. Dangerous Goods Descriptions or Dangerous Goods Technical Certificate which containing the name, alias, formula, performance, transport precautions, first aid measures and fire control methods, etc. is to be prepared and provided by the shipping line, shipper, or agent. This information is the reference to the port handling, ship's loading and unloading operations.

4. Dangerous Goods Declaration: Shipping line or agent should provide HHIT with a declaration that the shipment offered for carriage is properly packaged, stuffed, marked, labeled, and/or attached in a proper manner. Additionally, a copy of the ship's special list or manifest detailing the dangerous goods onboard must be provided to HHIT.

5. Advanced Notice: All pertinent information and documents related to dangerous goods must be communicated and confirmed at least two working days in advance of shipment.

6. Storage Protocol: All types of dangerous goods categorized under the International Maritime Organization (IMO) classification, except for Class 1 (explosives), Class 7 (radioactive substances/materials), and Class 6.2 (infectious substances), are permitted for storage at HHIT. HHIT will provide specific storage requirements upon receipt of cargo descriptions.

7. Immediate Response to Damages: All dangerous goods containers, as specified in item 6, must be in normal condition to be stored at HHIT. If a damaged dangerous goods container or any damaged or broken packaging is discovered during discharge, it shall be promptly removed from HHIT at the expense of the Shipping Line, Agent, shipper, or consignee. Failure to do so may result in HHIT taking necessary action, including removal at the cost of the Shipping Line, Agent, shipper, or consignee, especially in emergency situations.

- 8. Specialized Storage Requirements:** Special storage procedures must be implemented for dangerous goods classified as Class 4.3 (explosive substance, very dangerous if it comes into contact with water). Under no circumstances are these goods allowed to be stored in the yard, even if there are no visible signs of damage, spillage, or leakage from the container, barrel, or package. They must be stored in a warehouse or fully covered by canvas to prevent water penetration, especially during rainfall.
- 9. Guidance and Segregation:** specific guidance and segregation instructions for each type of dangerous goods prior to stuffing, stripping, or inspection should be provided in advance.
- 10. Stringent Safety Measures:** Operations involving dangerous goods will be promptly halted upon the detection of any hazards, such as leakage or spillage from barrels or packages.
- 11. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Training:** All personnel engaged in handling operations must don appropriate PPE and undergo training administered by HHIT safety officers before undertaking any tasks.
- 12. Restricted Handling:** Certain classes of dangerous goods, including Class 4.2, 4.3, and 5.2 substances, are prohibited from stuffing, stripping, or inspection at HHIT. These goods must remain within intact containers during receipt and delivery at our terminal.
- 13. Enhanced Awareness and Preparedness:** Individuals involved in handling operations must possess a comprehensive understanding of the characteristics of dangerous goods to effectively mitigate potential risks.
- 14. Responsibility and Liability:** HHIT underscores the significance of individuals equipping themselves with proper PPE and safety devices. The terminal assumes no liability for injuries, fatalities, or property damage resulting from inadequate preparation.
- 15. Mandatory Safety Training:** HHIT will conduct mandatory safety training sessions for all parties involved in handling dangerous goods, emphasizing the critical nature of adherence to safety protocols.

This policy is effective as of **January 20th, 2025, until further notice** and mandates strict compliance from all concerned parties. Any breaches will be subject to legal repercussions or fines imposed by relevant authorities or the government. HHIT steadfastly remains committed to ensuring the safe and efficient handling of dangerous and hazardous cargoes within its premises, prioritizing the well-being of all stakeholders involved.

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