

02nd March 2022.**Mandatory Usage Bullet Seals for All Import Laden Containers to Bangladesh**

Dear Valued Customer,

With reference to the Circular: 17/2021 dated 27-Oct-2021, please be informed that Chittagong Port Authority (CPA) has urged to stop using plastic/metallic seals and advise 'Bullet Seal' are to be used from the Port of Origin in all import-laden containers to be handled through Port of Chittagong. In the same circular, CPA has also specified their stance of refusing the discharge of any import-laden containers found without Bullet Seal affixed. Hence, we request all our customers to inform your valued exporter/shippers/booking agents to comply with this instruction and mandatorily attach Bullet Seal to the containers.

ONE shall not be liable for any non-delivery if discharging of your non-bullet sealed container is rejected by CPA. All additional costs, including seal replacement cost, freight for the return leg, will be chargeable if the container must remain on board the vessel and be returned to the port of origin.

For any queries, please reach out to our local offices at the port of loading. We appreciate your kind understanding and support to comply with the above policy.

Best Regards

Ocean Network Express Pte. Ltd.

Annexure: Circulars Issued by CPA 17/2021 dated 27-Oct-20

Annex 1:

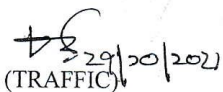
THE CHITTAGONG PORT AUTHORITY
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR (TRAFFIC)

Circular No: 17/2021

Dated: 27.10.2021

SUB:- USING OF BULLET SEALS IN LADEN IMPORT CONTAINERS SHIPPED FOR CHITTAGONG.

1. IT is observed that most of the laden import containers handled at Chittagong port bear the original plastic /metal strip security seals which being brittle and frail, get easily broken exposing the contents thereof to the risks of damage or loss, much to the worry and inconvenience of the parties consumed.
2. "Bullet" seals, on the other hand, are found to better, convenient and durable. With the necessity of ensuring the security of the cargo of such boxes against any possible loss or damage, it has been decided that "Bullet" seals instead of Plastic/Metallic steel ones are to be used in the laden import containers in future.
3. In view of the above all shipping agents are advised to ensure that "Bullet" seals in lieu of plastic/metallic steel seals are used from the port of origin in all laden import containers to be handled through the port of Chittagong.
4. Chittagong Port Authority may refuse acceptance of loaded import containers without "Bullet" seals on and from 01/12/2021 notwithstanding anything to the contrary notified previously from this end.
5. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.


DIRECTOR (TRAFFIC)
CHITTAGONG PORT AUTHORITY

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. Director (Security)/CPA.
2. Dy. Traffic Manager (OP)/CPA.
3. Terminal Manager/ CPA.
4. Asset. Traffic Manager (ICD), Kamalapur, Dhaka for information & strict compliance.
5. All Traffic/Terminal Officer.
6. P.A to Chairman, CPA- For kind information of Chairman, Chittagong Port Authority.
7. Chairman, Bangladesh Shipping Agents' Association, Chamber House (2nd floor), 38, Agrabad C/A, Chattogram. for information and wide circulation amongst member shipping agents.
8. Chairman, Bangladesh Container Shipping Association, SHR Tower, Badamtoli, Agrabad C/A, Chattogram.
9. President, Chittagong Chamber of Commerce & Industry, WTC Building, 102-103, Agrabad, C/A, Chittagong.
10. President, Bangladesh Freight Forwarders Association, Anwar Trade Center (Level-10) 1728, Agrabad C/A, Chattogram.
11. Chairman, Berth Operators and Terminal Operators Owners Association, 161 Saber Plaza (2nd Floor), Barik Building, Strand Road, Chattogram.
12. President, Chittagong Customs Clearing & Forwarding Agents Association, C & F Tower (13th Floor), 1712, Sk. Mujib Road, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong.
13. All shipping agents, Chittagong.
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