

DOCUMENT

TRANSPORT DOCUMENT: BILL OF LADING - LTA - CONSIGNMENT NOTE

DEFINITION	Transport documents are proof of the contract of carriage, whether by sea (Bill of Lading, B/L), by air (Air Waybill/LTA), or by road (Waybill).
PROCEDURE DESCRIPTION	 The Maritime Bill of Lading The Sea Bill of Lading is both proof of the contract of carriage and a document representing the goods. The consignee must therefore present it on arrival to take delivery of the goods. How it is issued: by the shipping company or its agent, on the basis of the shipper's instructions. Within twenty-four hours after loading, against the "mate's receipt". Usually in four copies, three of which are "commercial" originals. Reservations : Net de réserves" (clean): certifies that the goods have been taken over in apparently good condition. o "Overloaded" or "clausé" (dirty): includes the carrier's reservations on the quantity or condition of the goods. Types of bill of lading : "To order": this is the most common form; the bill of lading is transferable by endorsement. o "Straight consignee". "To bearer" or "to order endorsed in blank": the bill of lading is transferable by simple tradition, which is dangerous. Air Waybill How it is issued: by the air freight agent, on the shipper's instruction. On the airline's form for exclusive shipments. On an internal form (known as the "House Airway Bill" or HAWB) for groupage shipments, which is common. Signature: by the airline (for exclusive shipments), after boarding. It is only with this signature and the flight number that the AWB certifies that the shipment has actually been made. Form: always in non-negotiable form. NB: an LTA may cover successive shipments operated by different companies. In this case, they are jointly and severally liable. Waybill Issued: by the sender in principle. Under his responsibility in any case. Role: proof of the contract of carriage. Only document required
STATE STRUCTURE(S) INVOLVED	Ministry in charge of trade
COST	
DELIVERY TIME	Immediately
DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO APPLY	- Commercial invoice.

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- Packing list.

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LEGAL BASIS (LEGAL REFERENCE)	- Law no. 2013-877 of 23 December 2013 ratifying order no. 2013-662 of 20 September 2013 on competition.
	- Decree No. 93-313 of 11 March 1993 implementing Law No. 91-999 of 27 December 1991 on Competition, as regards the conditions of entry into Côte d'Ivoire of foreign goods of any origin and from any source, as well as the conditions of export and re-export of goods to foreign countries.
	- Inter-ministerial Order n°127/MCAPPME/MPMB of 21March 2014 determining the conditions of entry into Côte d'Ivoire of foreign goods of any origin and from any source, as well as the conditions of export and re-export of goods destined for abroad.
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