## DOCUMENT

| DEFINITION | Transport documents are proof of the contract of carriage, whether by sea <br> (Bill of Lading, B/L), by air (Air Waybill/LTA), or by road (Waybill). |
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|  | The Maritime Bill of Lading <br> The Sea Bill of Lading is both proof of the contract of carriage and a <br> document representing the goods. The consignee must therefore present it <br> on arrival to take delivery of the goods. <br> - How it is issued: by the shipping company or its agent, on the basis of the <br> shipper's instructions. Within twenty-four hours after loading, against the <br> "mate's receipt". Usually in four copies, three of which are "commercial" <br> originals. <br> - Reservations: <br> - "Net de réserves" (clean): certifies that the goods have been taken over <br> in apparently good condition. <br> o "Overloaded" or "clausé" (dirty): includes the carrier's <br> reservations on the quantity or condition of the goods. <br> - Types of bill of lading : <br> - "To order": this is the most common form; <br> the bill of lading is transferable by endorsement. <br> o "Straight consigned" (à personne dénommée): the goods will be <br> to the named consignee. <br> - "To bearer" or "to order endorsed in blank": the bill of lading is transferable <br> by simple tradition, which is dangerous. <br> PROCEDURE DESCRIPTION <br> Air Waybill <br> - -How it is issued: by the air freight agent, on the shipper's <br> instruction. On the airline's form for exclusive shipments. On an internal form <br> (known as the "House Airway Bill" or HAWB) for groupage shipments, which <br> is common. <br> - -Signature: by the airline (for exclusive shipments), after boarding. It is only <br> with this signature and the flight number that the AWB certifies that the <br> shipment has actually been made. <br> - Form: always in non-negotiable form. <br> NB: an LTA may cover successive shipments operated by different <br> companies. In this case, they are jointly and severally liable. <br> Waybill |
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| - 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 |
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| DELIVERY TIME | Immediately |
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| DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO APPLY | - Commercial invoice. <br> - Packing list. |
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The Portail Web d'Information Commerciale (PWIC) is a platform for information on imports, exports and transit, as well as on all regulations, procedures and requirements relating to trade in Côte d'Ivoire.

> Website: pwic.gouv.c

Address : Cellule de gestion du PWIC - Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie de Côte d'Ivoire sise à Abidjan - Plateau Avenue 6 Joseph Anoma Ave Berthe

| LEGAL BASIS (LEGAL REFERENCE) | - Law no. 2013-877 of 23 December 2013 ratifying order no. 2013-662 of 20 <br> September 2013 on competition. <br> - Decree No. 93-313 of 11 March 1993 implementing Law No. $91-999$ of 27 <br> December 1991 on Competition, as regards the conditions of entry into Côte <br> d'Ivoire of foreign goods of any origin and from any source, as well as the <br> conditions of export and re-export of goods to foreign countries. <br> - Inter-ministerial Order n $127 / M C A P P M E / M P M B ~ o f ~ 21 M a r c h ~ 2014 ~$ <br> determining the conditions of entry into Côte d'lvoire of foreign goods of any <br> origin and from any source, as well as the conditions of export and re-export <br> of goods destined for abroad. |
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