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AIR CARGO FACILITATION



Chicago Convention

- Article 22: Facilitation of formalities
- Article 23: Customs and immigration procedures
- Article 37 (j): Standards on customs and immigration procedures
 - **ANNEX 9 – Facilitation “SARPs”**

Assembly Resolutions

- A38-16, Appendix C, paragraph 10
 - **Air cargo clearance; security of international supply chain**

AIR CARGO FACILITATION: OVERVIEW



1. Annex 9, Chapter 1
2. Annex 9, Chapter 4
3. Guidance Material

1. CHAPTER 1



Definitions

Aircraft equipment. Articles, including first-aid and survival equipment and commissary supplies, but not spare parts or stores, for use on board an aircraft during flight.

Cargo. Any **property** carried on an aircraft *other than* mail, stores and accompanied or mishandled baggage.

Commissary supplies. Items . . . used by the aircraft operator for **provision of services** during flights, in particular for catering, and for the comfort of passengers.

Risk management. The systematic application of **management procedures and practices** which provide border inspection agencies with the necessary **information** to address movements or consignments which **represent a risk**.

1. CHAPTER 1



Definitions

Authorized agent

Clearance of goods

Declarant

Import duties & taxes

Stores

Temporary admission

1. CHAPTER 1



General Principles

1.2 States shall ensure that the **time** required for the release/clearance of goods is kept to the **minimum & minimum inconvenience** is caused by the application of administrative and control requirements.

1.3 Contracting States **shall** use **risk management** in the application of border control procedures for the release/clearance of goods.

1.4 Contracting States shall develop effective **information technology** to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of their procedures at airports.

2. CHAPTER 4



Objectives & Strategies

OBJECTIVES	STRATEGIES
<i>Meet goals for cargo release time</i>	Use risk management Process information in advance of arrival Use of Information Technology Coordinate inspections
<i>Achieve global interoperability of States' and operators' systems.</i>	Standardize information requirements Move toward electronic communication
<i>Achieve qualitative improvements which lead to simultaneous increases in the level of customer satisfaction and the confidence of control authorities.</i>	Promote: → customs efficiency → standardized procedures (Annex 9 & Revised Kyoto Convention)

2. CHAPTER 4

- A. General
- B. Information required by public authorities
- C. Release & clearance of export cargo
- D. Release & clearance of import cargo
- E. Spare parts, equipment, stores . . .
- F. Containers & pallets
- G. Mail documents & procedures
- H. Radioactive material

2. CHAPTER 4



A. General

- Std. 4.4: Pre-arrival & pre-departure lodgement of goods declaration
- Std. 4.5: Coordination of release/clearance of goods
- Std. 4.6: Use of risk management
- Std. 4.7: Modern screening techniques

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B. Information to be required

- RP4.10: Electronic advance submission of cargo information
- Std. 4.11: Limitation on data requirements
- Std. 4.13: Electronic submission of forms
- Std. 4.17: Use of compatible systems

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C. Release & clearance of export cargo

D. Release & clearance of import cargo

- Std. 4.22: Simplified export declaration
- RP4.26: Goods loaded on departing aircraft

- Std. 4.27: Priority: live animals & perishable/urgent goods
- Std. 4.28: Unaccompanied baggage: simplified clearance
- RP4.30: Authorized importers: immediate release of goods

2. CHAPTER 4



E. Spare parts, equipment, stores, etc.

- Std. 4.38: Stores & commissary supplies: no duties
- RP 4.41: Ground & security equipment: relief from duties & taxes
- Std. 4.43: Ground & security equipment: prompt release or clearance
- Std. 4.44: Loan between operators of equipment, etc.
- RP4.45: Aircraft operators' documents

2. CHAPTER 4



F. Containers & pallets

G. Mail documents & procedures

H. Radioactive material

- Std. 4.46: Temporary admission of containers & pallets
- Std. 4.52: Inter-airline loans of containers & pallets
- Std. 4.55: UPU documentary procedures
- Std. 4.56: Prompt release of radioactive material: medical applications



3. GUIDANCE MATERIAL

1. Doc 9957: The Facilitation Manual

2. Moving Air Cargo Globally: ICAO/WCO (2013):

<http://www.icao.int/Security/aircargo/Pages/Air-Cargo-and-Mail-Security-and-Facilitation.aspx>

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- ❖ How security contributes to the economic competitiveness of the air cargo industry
- ❖ Regional, national and industry perspectives on enhancing air cargo security collaboratively
- ❖ Benefits and challenges of advance cargo information

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QUESTIONS?