



General Average



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Cargo Insurance

During seafreight transportation, not only is cargo exposed to the risk of unexpected events, but if there is a situation where the ship is in danger, the costs of saving must be shared proportionally between cargo owners and the owners of the ship/charterers. This status is known as General Average: „what is given to everyone should be contributed by everyone“ (The digest of Justinian Code 533 AD).

Therefore, even if your cargo arrives safely, under General Average you can be forced to pay for the loss of others and expenses incurred while saving the vessel in danger. Most shippers do not realize that they are partly legally responsible for the safe journey of the ship.

CALCULATION OF GENERAL CARGO

Example

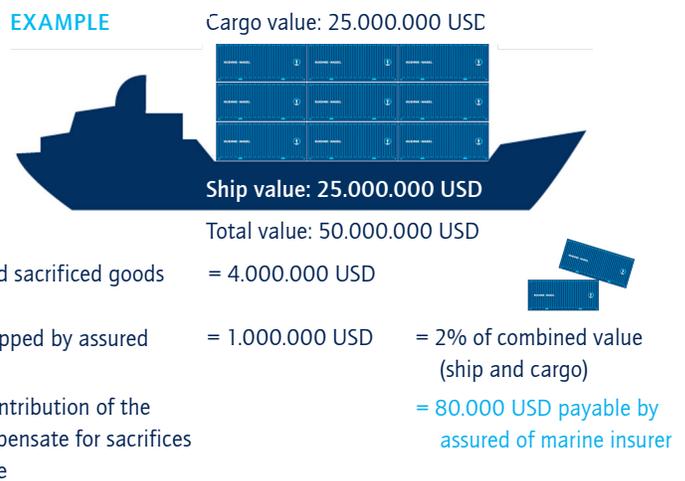
You could ship USD 1 million worth of machinery parts and be faced with USD 80.000 General Average claim for sacrifices made to save the vessel. In case your goods are not insured, you bare all expenses on your own. Unless you provide a cash deposit or a bank guarantee, your cargo will not be released.

This can negatively affect your business. In addition you are under the obligation to arrange all needed documentation to the General Average adjuster, which can be a very time consuming task.

TYPICAL EXAMPLES OF GENERAL AVERAGE SACRIFICES

- Jettison of cargo (throwing cargo overboard to lighten the vessel)
- Hull and engine damage caused by efforts to refloat
- Tugs engaged to assist refloating
- Hull and cargo damage caused by fire fighting
- Discharge and reloading of cargo at a port of refuge

EXAMPLE



* According to standard terms and conditions, the freight forwarder is excluded from any liability in regards to claims of General Average.

KEY BENEFITS

- A one-stop shop for your freight and insurance requirements
- Compensation up to full insured value of your goods regardless of cause or fault by carrier
- Competitive premiums
- Door-to-door coverage, including loading/unloading
- Fast and easy payment of valid claims
- No insurance administration
- Cover by market leading insurance companies