

China – Penalty for Dangerous Goods Misdeclaration

Please be informed that Hapag-Lloyd will implement a penalty for the mis-declaration of hazardous cargo prior to shipment. The penalty may amount to USD 15,000.00 per container, effective as per September 15, 2019.

Failure to properly offer and declare hazardous cargoes prior to shipment is a violation of the Hazardous Material Regulations. Such violations may be subject to monetary fines and/or criminal prosecution under applicable law.

To ensure the safety of the crew, ships and other cargo onboard, Hapag-Lloyd holds the Shipper liable and responsible for all costs and consequences related to violations, fines, damages, incidents, claims and corrective measures resulting from cases of undeclared or misdeclared cargoes.

So far this only concerns shipments to China at the moment and only if IMO details will be changed or are wrong after cargo closing.

For any further information please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

Kind regards

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