

Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command

Customer and Carrier Advisory

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Subject: Theater Booking Advisory for Cargo Movement to and from Israel

Purpose: To provide the Department of Defense (DoD) shippers, booking offices and commercial carriers with guidance for shipping cargo to/from Israel.

Be Advised: The below guidance will be utilized to import/export cargo in Israel.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

All cargo to/from Israel will be directly booked via the port of Ashdod (LJ5) on door terms and the Port of Haifa (LJ1) as a second option or depending on the final destination location.

For all cargo movement at locations other than seaports, Material Handling Equipment (MHE) accessorial must be ordered (unless verified that origin/destination within Israel has MHE capability).

Cargo clearance import/ export must be added to all cargo bookings into/from Israel.

2. CUSTOMS DOCUMENTATIONS:

All cargo arriving/departing Israel must provide the below shipment documentation in advance to the ISRAELI CUSTOM POC no later than **10 days** prior to arrival/departure of the cargo for custom clearance.

- Bill of Lading (BOL)
- Commercial Invoices/CIPL
- Shipping Documents: DD1149, DD1348 or DD250
- Manifest: Must include Descriptions, Dimensions, NSN, Weight and Cost Value

NOTE: The following statement is **required** to be annotated for all Department of Defense (DOD) cargo ONLY listed on the BOL and/or Commercial Invoice, and shipping documents.

"Customs broker through Ministry of Defense (MOD), Ashdod/Haifa in support of U.S. Forces (SOFA)"

3. EXCEPTION: CARGO MOVEMENT TO/FROM MULTINATIONAL FORCE AND OBSERVERS (MFO) LOGISTICS, ISRAEL

All cargo originating from/destined to MFO Logistics, Israel must be booked only to the Port of Ashdod as a "port" booking. Final destination for these shipments 'must be' listed as Port of Ashdod. Shipments are then released via customs agent as transit

shipments and are transported via MFO trucks to the MFO Sinai. Therefore, they cannot be released at Haifa Port.

“IN TRANSIT TO SINAI EGYPT” in the body of BOL is required for all cargo including shipments bound for MFO in the Sinai Desert, Egypt.

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