

COMMON LTL ACCESSORIAL FEES

And How They Affect Your Supply Chain



WEIGHT & DENSITY

OVER-LENGTH FREIGHT FEES

Definition

Freight containing articles greater than or equal to 12 feet in length often take up more floor space on the trailer

What To Do

Keep articles less than 12 feet in length

DENSITY RULES

Definition

Shipment's low pounds per cubic foot (shipment weight divided by cubic feet) is too low for the amount of space it occupies in the truck, resulting in compensating freight charges

What To Do

Ship heavier, more compact materials in a way that maximizes the pounds per cubic footage of the shipment

FULL VISIBILITY LOAD

Definition

When any segment of the shipment equals or exceeds the capacity of a trailer or vehicle

What To Do

Ensure freight does not exceed the trailer's capacity



ORIGIN & DESTINATION

RESIDENTIAL DELIVERY

Definition

The carrier will assess a charge when required to make a pickup or delivery at a residential location. Generally, the charge will include single shipment and appointment charges. Lift gate and inside pickup or delivery charges will apply if the carrier is asked to move the shipment beyond the driveway and inside the residential location. The term 'residential' applies to, but is not limited to, any non-commercial or private residence, apartments, dormitories, estates, farms, home-based businesses, etc.

What To Do

Consider using a final mile provider or understand what costs are associated with this service

LIMITED ACCESS

Definition

The carrier will assess a charge when required to make a pickup or delivery at a limited access location. Generally, the charge will include single shipment and appointment charges. Lift gate and inside pickup or delivery charges will apply if carrier is asked to move the shipment beyond the driveway and inside the residential location. The term 'residential' applies to, but is not limited to, schools (not including colleges and universities), colleges and universities without a dock, prisons, construction sites, military bases/installations, hotels, motels, resorts, etc.

What To Do

Consider using a final mile provider or understand what costs are associated with this service

REDELIVERY

Definition

When the carrier is unable to complete delivery on the original scheduled delivery date

What To Do

Make sure your consignee is aware of the carrier delivering and make sure your carrier has all the necessary information to deliver

METRO/REMOTE AREA DELIVERY OR PICKUP

Definition

Driver requires more time than anticipated for delivery due to heavy traffic or remote destinations

What To Do

Negotiate with carrier, consider being more flexible with delivery times



ADDITIONAL CHARGES

GUARANTEED DELIVERY SURCHARGES

Definition

The carrier will provide delivery service by the end of the business day when requested by the shipper on the bill of lading at the time the shipment is tendered to the carrier. The guaranteed delivery service days are based on the carrier's standard transit schedule as provided by Unyson. There are also Guaranteed A.M. (delivery before noon) or Guaranteed Window (delivery within a one-hour range) services available

What To Do

Manage carriers to meet a high level of service and avoid a surcharge — your 3PL will help with this

DIVERSION MILES

Definition

Carrier has to reroute to a different location than the one previously agreed upon

What To Do

May be possible to negotiate, or else ensure shipment does not need to be rerouted

PALLET JACK/LIFT GATE

Definition

Carrier requires unexpected equipment to deliver shipment

What To Do

Research the type of facility the delivery will be made to and ensure carrier is aware of the equipment needed ahead of time. Not all trailers come equipped with lift gates and/or pallet jacks, so not having the right equipment could lead to redelivery fees