Ugly Freight

Safe Handling

Ugly freight poses unique challenges due to its awkward, odd-shaped, and heavy nature, making it difficult for carriers to load and unload safely. Before finalising your booking, carefully consider the hazards, risks, and specific challenges associated with handling such freight.

Crating Your Goods



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The recommended and safest way to ship ugly freight is use a crate. Crates are robust, strong, secure and will protect the goods whilst in transit. Where possible, always use a crate when the goods are fragile or the chance of damage occuring is high.

Palletising Freight



When crating is not possible, securing goods on a pallet is the next best option. Always use heavy-duty tie-down straps to ensure the goods on the pallet can not move or shift in any direction.

Non-Stackable



A non-stackable carrier surcharge may be applied when additional space is occupied by freight that cannot be stacked, as each square meter of cargo must be accounted for and charged. This surcharge helps a carrier cover the costs associated with handling and accommodating non-stackable items.

Benefits of Crating



Crating goods minimises the chances of errors or misplaced items by providing a structured and organised storage solution, as well as allowing clear identification, making it easier for handlers to identify and locate specific items quickly.

Wrapping and Strapping



Never ship goods without adding a protective layer of wrap around the outside, and always secure the goods to the pallet with heavy-duty straps to minimise movement in all directions.

Securing and Anchoring



Keep in mind that ugly freight is almost always difficult to move and the chances of the goods shifting, rolling and dislodging whilst in transit are heightened. To keep excess movement to a minimum, aways ensure your goods are secured and achored to stop unwanted movement.



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