

## **US Customs Advance Notification/AMS clause**

The Carrier has to comply with US Customs advance notification rules. Particular attention is given to the 24-hour rule, requiring submission of cargo details to US Customs in full 24 hours before vessels' commencement of **loading**.

The Charterers/Shipper's shall provide all necessary information to the Carrier and/or their agents to enable the Carrier to submit a timely and accurate cargo declaration. This requires that shipping instructions be submitted in full as instructed by the Carrier and/or their agents, but in any case no later than **48 hours prior to the vessels commencement of loading**. Unless specifically otherwise agreed, all cargo shall be considered CQD both ends and non-availability of cargo or late submission of documentation shall be not considered as cq and detention at prorate rate will be applicable.

The Charterers/Shipper shall assume liability for and shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Carrier against any loss and/or damage whatsoever (including consequential loss and/or damage) and/or any expenses, fines, penalties and all other claims of whatsoever nature, including but not limited to legal costs, arising from the Charterers'/Shippers failure to comply with any of the provisions of this clause. Should such failure result in any delay then, ship will have option sail without cargo and full deadfreight will be raised or alternatively time lost due to Charterers' /Shippers failure to comply with this clause. Time to count as laytime, or, if the Vessel is already on demurrage, time will continue to count on demurrage.