



Air Logistics Glossary

Abbreviations and technical terms

Abbreviation	Explanation
A	
AAMS	Air Automated Manifest System
ACT	Active Temperature Controlled System
ADR	International and European contract for hazardous goods transports on the road
AOG	Aircraft on ground
ATA	Air Transport Association of America
ATB	Air Transport Board of Canada
ATT	Goods Attached to Air Waybill
AVI	Live animal
AWB	Air Waybill
B	
B	Rate class code indicating Basic charge as used in the rate class box of the AWB
BIG	Outsized
BUC	Bulk Unitization Charges
BUP	Bulk Unitization Programme, Shipper/Consignee Handled Unit

Abbreviation	Explanation
C	
C	Rate class code indicating SCR as used in the rate class box of the AWB.
C.A.F.	Currency Adjustment Factor (compensation factor for the various currencies)
C.O.D.	Cash on Delivery
CAO	Cargo Aircraft Only
CASS	Cargo Accounts Settlement System
CAT	Cargo Attendant Accompanying Shipment
CC	Charges Collect
CCA	Cargo Charges Correction Advise
CFR	Cost and Freight
CIF	Cost, Insurance and Freight
CIP	Carriage and Insurance Paid to
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora
CKD	Completely Knocked Down (car)
cm	centimetre(s)
cm³	cubic centimetre(s)
COD	Cash on Delivery
COL	Cool Goods
COM	Company Mail
CPT	Carriage Paid To
CRO	Central Reservation Office
CRT	Control Room Temperature +15°C to +25°C
CTC (A)	Canadian Transport Commission (Air Transport Committee)
C-TPAT	USA Customs-Trade Partnership against Terrorism: Following the events of September 11, 2001, the United States Government has increased efforts to enhance national security. As a major and global freight forwarder, Kuehne + Nagel has decided to follow the request from the Commissioner of Customs to participate in the initiative to strengthen the security of the supply chain.
cu. ft. Or cft	Cubic foot (feet)
cu. in.	Cubic inch(es)
CVGK	Customs value per gross kilogram (kg)
CVGP	Customs value per gross pound (lb)
Cy.	Currency
D	
D.O. or D/O	Delivery Order
D/A	Delivery Agent
DAF	Delivered At Frontier
DAP	Delivered At Place
DDP	Delivered Duty Paid
DDU	Delivered duty unpaid
DEQ	Delivered ex quay (duty paid)
DES	Delivered ex ship
DGD	Shipper's Declaration for Dangerous Goods

Abbreviation	Explanation
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations
DIP	Diplomatic mail
Dir.	Direct
dm³	Cubic decimetre(s)
DOT	Department of Transportation (of the USA)
DPU	Delivered at Place Unloaded
E	
E	Rate class code indicating over pivot rates as used in the rate class box of the AWB
e.g.	for example
E.T.A.	Estimated Time of Arrival (scheduled arrival time of aircraft)
E.T.D.	Estimated Time of Departure (scheduled departure time of aircraft)
EAP	e-freight Consignment with Accompanying Paper Documents
EAT	Foodstuffs
EAW	e-freight Consignment with No Accompanying Paper Documents
EBI	Lithium ion batteries excepted as per Section II of PI 965
EBM	Lithium metal batteries excepted as per Section II of PI 968
ECC	Consignment established with an electronically concluded cargo contract ECC with no accompanying paper Air Waybill
ECP	Consignment established with a paper Air Waybill contract being printed under an e-AWB agreement
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
ELI	Lithium ion batteries excepted as per Section II of PI 966 - 967
ELM	Lithium metal batteries excepted as per Section II of PI 969 - 970
EMD	Electronic Monitoring Devices on/in Cargo/Container
EN 9001	The EN 9100 family of standards is an ISO 9001 based standard with additions and interpretations specific to the aerospace industry with emphasis placed on areas deemed to have the greatest impact on safety, reliability and regulatory compliance for aerospace products.
ERT	Extended Room Temperature +2°C to +25°C
EU	European Union
EWB	Express Waybill
excl.	excluding
EXW	EX Works
F	
F.A.K. (FAK)	Freight All Kind
FAS	Free Alongside Ship
FCA	Free CArrier
FCR	Forwarders Certificate of Receipt
FFI	Freight Forward International
FIATA	FIATA, in French "Fédération Internationale des Associations de Transitaires et Assimilés", in English "International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations". FIATA, a non-governmental organisation, represents today an industry covering approx. 40'000 forwarding firms, also known as the "Architects of Transport", employing around 8-10 million people in 150 countries.
FIL	Undeveloped/Unexposed film

Abbreviation	Explanation
FOB	Free On Board
FRI	Frozen goods subject to veterinary/phytosanitary inspections
FRO	Frozen goods
ft.	foot (feet)
G	
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GBL	U.S. Government Bill of Lading
GCR	General Cargo Rate
GMP+Feed Safety Assurance	The GMP+Feed Safety Assurance (FSA) is a certification scheme developed to guarantee feed safety and reassure consumers about the responsible way animal feed products are produced, processed, traded, stored and transported around the world.
GOH	Hanging Garments
GXP	GxP is a general abbreviation for the "good practice" quality guidelines and regulations. The "x" stands for the various fields, including the pharmaceutical and food industries. The purpose of the GxP quality guidelines is to ensure a product is safe and meets its intended use. GxP guides quality manufacture in regulated industries including food, drugs, medical devices and cosmetics.
H	
HACCP	Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points is a systematic preventive approach to food safety from biological, chemical, physical hazards and more recently radiological hazards in production processes that can cause the finished product to be unsafe and designs measures to reduce these risks to a safe level.
HAWB	House Air Waybill
HEA	Heavy cargo, 150kg and over per piece
HEG	Hatching eggs
HUM	Human remains in coffins
HWB	House Waybill
I	
i.e.	that is
IATA	International Air Transport Association
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICC	International Chamber of Commerce
ICE	Carbon dioxide, solid (Dry ice)
IFS Logistics	IFS Logistics marks the common goal of trade and industry to create transparency and trust across the entire supply chain. This IFS standard, which was specially developed for activities in the areas of storage, distribution and transport as well as loading and unloading, can be implemented both when handling food and with non-food products.
IMDG - code	International maritime dangerous goods code
IMF/IWF	International Monetary Fund
IMP	Interline Message Procedure
in.	inch(es)
incl.	including
INCOTERMS	Incoterms make international trade easier and help traders in different countries to understand one another. These standard trade definitions that are most commonly used in international contracts are protected by ICC copyright.
INTRM	Intermediate point

Abbreviation	Explanation
ISO	International Standardization Organization
ISO 9001	Quality Management
ISO 14001	Environmental Management
ISO 27001	Information Security Management
ISO 45001	Occupational Health and Safety Management
ISO/TS 16949	Automotive Technical Specification
ISO 13485	Medical devices - Quality Management
ISO 14064-3	Environment GHG (GreenHouse Gases)
ISO 22301	Business Continuity Management
ISO 22000	Food Safety Management
ISO 28000	SCM Security, security management systems for supply chain
J	
JIT	Just in Time
JOT	Just on Time
K	
K	Rate class code indicating rate per kilogramme as used in the rate class box of the AWB
kg.	kilogram(s)
KPI	Key Performance Indicators
L	
L/C	Letter of Credit
LAR	Live Animals Regulation
lb.	pound(s)
LHO	Living human organs/blood
LIC	License required
M	
M	Rate class code indicating minimum charges as used in the rate class box of the AWB
m	meter(s)
m ³	Cubic meter(s)
MAG	Magnetized material
MAL	Mail
MAWB	Master Air Waybill
MCO	Miscellaneous Charges Order
MPAS	Military Packager Accreditation Scheme is an updated accreditation scheme which defines the requirements for Military Packaging Organisations and Designers, replacing the old 'Military Packaging Capability Accreditation Scheme (MPCAS)', also known as DR14.
MUW	Munitions of war
N	
N	Rate class code indicating the 1kg general cargo rate, as used in the rate class box of the AWB
N.A.	North America issue of TACT
N.E.S.	Not Elsewhere Specified indicates that certain types of that commodity have been specified under another item number (see Commodity Description List)

Abbreviation	Explanation
NCV	No Commercial Value or No Customs Value
No., Nr.	Number
NSC	Cargo has not been secured yet for Passenger or All-Cargo Aircraft
NVD	No value Declared
NWP	Newspapers, magazines
O	
OBX	Obnoxious cargo
OHG	Overhang item
P	
P.O.(B).	Post Office (Box)
PAC	Passenger and cargo
PBA	Paid by Agent
PEA	Hunting trophies, skin, hide, and all articles made from or containing parts of species listed in the CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species) appendices.
PEB	Animal products for non-human consumption
PEF	Flowers
PEM	Meat
PEP	Fruits and vegetables
PER	Perishable cargo
PES	Fish/Seafood
PHY	Goods subject to phytosanitary inspections
PIL	Pharmaceuticals
PIP	Passive Insulated Packaging
POD	Port of Discharge
POL	Port of Loading
PP	Charge Prepaid
Q	
Q	Rate class code indicating the Quantity 45kg. (100lb) and over rate as used in the rate class box of the AWB
QRT	Quick Ramp Transfer
QSHE	Quality, Safety, Health, Environment including Security
R	
R	Rate class code indicating that a reduced class rate has been applied as used in the rate class box of the AWB
RAC	Reserved Air Cargo
RBI	Fully regulated lithium ion batteries (Class 9, UN 3480) as per Section IA and IB of PI 965
RBM	Fully regulated lithium metal batteries (Class 9, UN 3090) as per Section IA and IB of PI 968
RCL	Cryogenic liquids (Packing Instruction 202)
RCM	Corrosive
RCX	Explosives 1.3C

Abbreviation	Explanation
RDS	Biological Substance, Category B (UN 3373)
REQ	Excepted Quantities of Dangerous Goods
REX	To be reserved for normally forbidden explosives – Divisions 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4F, 1.5 and 1.6
RFG	Flammable gas
RFL	Flammable liquid
RFS	Flammable solid
RFW	Dangerous when wet
RGX	Explosives 1.3G
RIS	Infectious substances, affecting humans (UN 2814) or animals (UN 2900)
RLI	Fully regulated lithium ion batteries (Class 9, UN 3481) as per Section I of PI 966 and 967
RLM	Fully regulated lithium metal batteries (Class 9, UN 3091) as per Section I of PI 969 and 970
RMD	Miscellaneous dangerous goods
RNG	Non-flammable non-toxic gas
ROP	Organic peroxide
ROX	Oxidizer
RPB	Toxic substance
RPG	Toxic gas
RRE	Excepted Quantities of Radioactive Material
RRW	Radioactive material, Category I-white
RRY	Radioactive material, Categories II and III-Yellow
RSB	Polymeric Beads/Plastics Moulding Compound (Packing Instruction 957)
RSC	Spontaneously combustible
RXB	Explosives 1.4B
RXC	Explosives 1.4C
RXD	Explosives 1.4D
RXE	Explosives 1.4E
RXG	Explosives 1.4G
RXS	Explosives 1.4S
S	
S	Rate class code indicating that a surcharged class rate has been applied as used in the rate class box of the AWB
SAL	Surface Air Lifted (mail)
SCO	Cargo Secure for All-Cargo Aircraft only
SCR	Specific Commodity Rate
SDR	Special Drawing Rights
SHL	Save human life
SHR	Secure for Passenger, All-Cargo and All-Mail Aircraft in Accordance with High Risk Requirements
SITA	Société Internationale de Télécommunications Aéronautiques
SLI	Shipper's Letter of Instruction
SOC	Shipper Owned Container

Abbreviation	Explanation
SOP	Standard Operating Procedures
SPF	Laboratory animals
SPX	Cargo Secure for Passenger and All-Cargo Aircraft
SQAS	Safety and Quality Assessment System is a system of uniform third party assessments to evaluate the performance of Logistics Service Providers and Chemical Distributors. SQAS assessments cover quality, safety, security, environment and CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility).
SUR	Surface Transportation
SWP	Sporting Weapons
T	
TACT	The Air Cargo Tariff
TAPA	Technology Asset Protection Association
THC	Terminal Handling Charges
U	
U	Rate class code indicating ULD Basic rate or charge as used in the rate class box in the AWB
UATP	Universal Air Travel Plan
UCP	Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credit
ULD	Unit Load Device
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference of Trade and Development
V	
v.v.	vice versa
VAL	Valuable cargo
VDA	Association of the Automotive Industry (Verband der Deutschen Automobilindustrie EV)
VIC	Very Important Cargo
VOL	Volume
VUN	Vulnerable cargo
W	
W	Rate class code indicating an additional weight charge as used in the rate class box of the AWB
wgt or wt	weight
w/t or WT	weight tons
w/v	weight/volume
WW.	worldwide issue of TACT
W/M	Weight Ton or Measurement
WET	Shipments of wet material not packed in watertight containers
WTO	World Trade Organization
X	
X	Rate class code indicating ULD additional information as used in the rate class box of the AWB
XPS	Priority small package
Y	
Y	Rate class code indicating ULD discount as used in the rate class box of the AWB