

SUBJECT: GENERAL ORDER MERCHANDISE REPORTING REMINDERS

There are strict timelines for General Order (G.O.) merchandise established by Customs Regulations. Carriers (for direct arrival) or transferees (for in-bond arrival) may hold unentered merchandise for 15 calendar days from arrival (direct landing or inbond). NO LATER than 20 calendar days from this date, the carrier or transferee must notify both Customs and Border Protection and the G.O. warehouse. Please contact CBP Officer Joy Dawson at (504) 464-0020. Her facsimile number is (504) 464-0178. The G.O. warehouse is Cargo Logistics, Incorporated, 5620 Tchoupitoulas Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70115. Cargo Logistics point of contact is Hui Wang at (504) 891-6300 extension 111. Ms. Wang's facsimile number is (504) 891-6365. Failure to meet these deadlines may subject the carrier to a penalty per bill of lading of \$1000 (for direct arrival) or the transferee or carrier to liquidated damages of \$1000 per bill of lading (indirect arrival). The G.O. warehouse proprietor has five calendar days from date of notification to transport and store G.O. merchandise or be subject to liquidated damages of \$1000 per bill of lading. Depending on the mode of transportation, the following regulations apply: Title 19, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 4.37 (Vessel), 122.50 (Air) or 123.10 (Land).

Once the cargo is entered into a G.O. warehouse, an entry including payment of any duty, taxes or fees must be filed with Customs Entry Unit within six months. All liens must be satisfied prior to Customs authorizing delivery authorization to broker/importer. Failure to do so will result in the potential sale of cargo by Customs.

If you have any questions, please contact Supervisory CBP Officer Dan Grzych at (504) 441-9213 and Supervisory Entry Officer Patricia Burke at (504) 670-2367.

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