

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED SHIPBROKERS – LINER TRADES

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Bills of Lading and other Contractual Documents

Answers to Quiz Questions

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Cargo Liability Conventions Quiz

1 What is the purpose of a Cargo Liability Convention?

(tick all statements that are correct)

- To ensure that all carriers have a standard minimum level of responsibility/liability to the cargo owner under a B/L (or similar contract) (Correct)
 - To make sure that carriers have to pay for damage to cargo, however it is caused
 - To provide a cap on the financial liability of the carrier in case of loss or damage to cargo (Correct)
 - To help carriers take as little liability as possible when cargo is lost or damaged
 - To ensure that shippers also have clear responsibilities under the terms of the B/L (Correct)
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2 Under the Hague Visby Rules, which of these statements are correct?

(tick all statements that are correct)

- The carrier is liable for loss/damage, if the ship carrying the cargo collides with another ship, due to an error by the Master
 - The receiver has a year to tell the carrier of any loss or damage to the cargo
 - The shipowner is not liable for loss or damage caused by a failure to keep the ship seaworthy during the voyage (Correct)
 - The carrier decides whether to calculate the maximum liability for loss/damage from the number of packages, or from the weight of the cargo
 - Hague Visby Rules apply if the cargo is loaded at a port in a contracting state (i.e. one which has ratified the Hague Visby Rules) (Correct)
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3 Which of the following statements are correct?

(tick all statements that are correct)

- The Hamburg Rules came into force in 1978
 - It is possible for both the Hague Visby and the Hamburg Rules to apply to the same shipment (Correct)
 - The shipowner is liable for loss when cargo is delayed under **both** the Hague Visby **and** the Hamburg Rules
 - The Hamburg Rules were introduced due to pressure from shipowners
 - A two year Time Bar applies under the Hamburg Rules (Correct)
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4 Which of the following statements are correct?

(tick all statements that are correct)

- The Rotterdam Rules will cover electronic documents, as well as paper documents (Correct)
 - There are 25 countries which are already applying the Rotterdam Rules, as they have signed the convention
 - The Rotterdam Rules can cover a cargo shipment while being transported on land, as well as by sea (Correct)
 - The Rotterdam Rules will automatically replace the other three conventions
 - Under the Rotterdam Rules, a shipowner is liable if the ship is not seaworthy at all times (Correct)
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5 Which of the four conventions provides the highest level of liability for carriers?

- Hamburg Rules
- Hague Rules
- Rotterdam Rules (Correct)
- Hague Visby Rules



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6 Which of the four conventions apply to shipments when the discharge port is in a country which has ratified the agreement?

- Hague and Hague Visby Rules
 - Hague Visby and Hamburg Rules
 - Hamburg and Rotterdam Rules (Correct)
 - Only the Hamburg Rules
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Cargo Liability Conventions Quiz

7 Which of the four conventions will normally apply to a container shipment not only when on board the ship, but also when the container is in the loading and discharge terminals?

- Hague and Hague Visby Rules
 - Only the Hague Visby Rules
 - Only the Rotterdam Rules
 - Hamburg and Rotterdam Rules (Correct)
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