

**WESTWOOD SHIPPING LINES (WSL)  
EQUIPMENT INTERCHANGE AGREEMENT**

**DEFINITION OF TERMS**

Where the following terms appear in this Agreement they shall have the meaning indicated:

1. **AGREEMENT** - This Interchange Agreement.
2. **EQUIPMENT** - Trailers, containers, chassis, gensets, bogies and component parts thereof.
3. **INTERCHANGE** - The Transfer of Equipment from Owner to User, or vice versa, or between the User and a third party.
4. **OWNER** - Westwood Shipping Lines, to whom title and Equipment has been issued or who, as lessee, has the right to exclusive use of the Equipment.
5. **USE CHARGE** - The agreed daily rate paid for Equipment detained beyond free time (also known as detention/per diem).
6. **USER** - The party who receives the Interchanged Equipment from the Owner or Owner's authorized representative.

**TERM AND CONDITIONS**

**1. GENERAL**

- 1.1. These terms and conditions are formulated for the fair and proper adjustment of all questions concerning the Interchange and use of, repairs to and settlement for Equipment when such Equipment is interchanged.

**2. INTERCHANGE OF EQUIPMENT BETWEEN USER AND A THIRD PARTY**

- 2.1. If User relinquishes possession of the Equipment to a third party, the User will be responsible for the performance of all terms of this agreement in the same manner as if the Equipment were in the possession of the User.

**3. RECEIPTS AND REPORTS**

- 3.1. At the time of Interchange authorized representatives of the Owner and User shall execute in multiple copies. as the parties may require, an Equipment Interchange Receipt and Safety Inspection Report, and the parties shall be bound by the notations thereon.

**4. USE OF EQUIPMENT**

- 4.1. The User shall complete properly and expeditiously the use for which the Equipment has been interchanged, and shall return the Equipment to the location indicated on the delivery/CY release instructions, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing. Failure of the User to return Equipment to the location as designated by the Owner, will result in charges for actual costs with a minimum of \$100 (one hundred U.S. dollars) invoiced to the User for redelivery of the Equipment. The Equipment shall be returned in the same condition as received, ordinary wear and tear excluded.
- 4.2. The User shall have complete control and supervision of the Equipment while in its possession; and the Owner shall have no right to control the detail of the work of any employee or agent operating or using the Equipment during such time. Any person operating, in possession of, or using the Equipment after Interchange to the User and until such time Equipment is returned to the Owner, shall not be deemed the agent or employee of the Owner for any purpose whatsoever, nor shall User have any authority, expressed or implied, to bind the Owner in any circumstances whatsoever.
- 4.3. The User shall not sublease or Interchange Equipment to any third party without the written consent of the Owner, and then only to the extent of such written permission. The User shall be responsible for the performance of this agreement and use charges until the equipment is returned to Owner.
- 4.4. The User shall pay all fines, and/or charges arising out of acts or omissions in the use and operation of the Equipment, occurring between the time the Equipment is interchanged from and returned to the Owner.
- 4.5. All dunnage, debris, etc., shall be removed prior to Interchange of empty Equipment. In the event user returns empty container with hazardous placards still attached, Owner will assess U.S. \$150.00 (one hundred fifty U.S. dollars) removal fee.
- 4.6. The User agrees that Equipment received under this Agreement shall be operated in conformity with all governmental statutes, rules and regulations, and further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Owner for any violations

resulting from the User's failure to comply with these statutes, rules or regulations, whether or not such violation is intentional.

## **5. TIRES**

- 5.1. The User, at its expense, shall provide proper maintenance to tires including but not limited to proper inflation, repair of flat tires, pulled valve stems, etc.
- 5.2. In the event of a blowout and/or total failure of a tire after Interchange, the User shall make repairs at User's expense. The replacement tire shall be properly mated. The User will return the blown out or unserviceable tire with the Equipment and shall retain the replacement tire upon redelivery of the Equipment to the Owner.
- 5.3. In the event of failure to return the blown out or unserviceable tire, failure to provide proper maintenance, or if the tire is ruined as a result of being run flat or otherwise abused, the User shall reimburse the Owner for the replacement value of the tire as of the time of original Interchange. In the absence of specific information the value shall be U.S.\$150.00 (One Hundred Fifty U.S. Dollars) per tire.

## **6. DAMAGE, REPAIRS AND BILLING**

- 6.1. In the event Equipment is damaged after being received in Interchange, the User shall promptly repair the Equipment. In the event User is not capable to make the required repairs, the User will, nevertheless, be responsible for the cost thereof.
- 6.2. In the event repairs are necessitated by defective Equipment, or occasioned by ordinary use, the User MUST obtain the consent of the Owner if the User shall make such repairs as may be necessary. The cost of such repairs will be:
  - 6.2.1. Absorbed by the Owner only after consent is given by the Owner. Proof that the repairs were necessitate by ordinary wear and tear or defective Equipment must be tendered to the Owner.
  - 6.2.2. The costs for any repairs performed without prior consent of the Owner will be absorbed by the User.
- 6.3. In the event User delivers Equipment to a third party not a party to this agreement, the User will be responsible to the Owner for damage to the Equipment.
- 6.4. All repairs will be billed to the responsible party within 90 days after repairs have been completed, unless otherwise agreed upon. Billing must include Owner's mark or alpha code and container number(s), chassis number(s), date(s) and location(s) where repaired, and all relevant details concerning items of repair.
- 6.5. Materials used in making repairs shall be billed at the invoice price. However, when repairs are made in commercial shops or outside service facilities, the actual amount invoiced for such materials and labor may be used. Labor shall be charged on the basis of actual time consumed in making repairs, but shall not exceed prevailing labor cost.
- 6.6. All repairs must maintain the Owner's Equipment standards, and the materials applied must be of same quality and type. Repairs are subject to Owner's approval. When repairs or replacements fail to meet Owner's standards, the User will be responsible for the cost of correcting inadequate repairs and replacing substandard materials.
- 6.7. Equipment repaired or serviced under terms of this Agreement shall be identified to the Owner at the time of redelivery, and so noted on the Equipment Interchange Receipt executed at the time of return.

## **7. SETTLEMENT FOR LOST, STOLEN OR TOTALLY DESTROYED EQUIPMENT**

- 7.1. In the event that any Equipment is lost, stolen, destroyed or damaged so as to be rendered incapable of further use (hereinafter referred to collectively as "loss") while said Equipment is in the possession, custody or control of User, or third party to whom the equipment has been sub-leased or interchanged, User agrees to reimburse Owner for the Depreciated Replacement Value, as set forth in the Owner's master lease agreement.
- 7.2. Unless Owner directs otherwise, the User is responsible for returning, all Equipment, whether damaged or not. User will protect the Equipment from any further damage.
- 7.3. After the User has paid the depreciated value, the User shall retain ownership rights of said Equipment.

## **8. FREE TIME AND USE CHARGES**

- 8.1. For the purpose of this Agreement, a day, including day of Interchange, is a calendar day commencing at 0001 hours and ending at 2400 hours or any fractions thereof.
- 8.2. Free Time shall commence on the day after Interchange and shall include Saturdays and Sundays and exclude terminal closure due to holidays. User shall have the use of the Equipment at no cost for the number of days shown below:

Free Time six (6) Calendar Days

8.3. Container removed from Owner's CY on chassis shall be considered as a single unit and, unless otherwise agreed, shall be redelivered to the CY as a single unit. Unless authorized in writing by the Owner, chassis not redelivered with the container with which it was removed shall be assessed detention charges, starting one working day after the container is redelivered to the CY, regardless of any remaining free time that would otherwise apply. When Owner authorizes or instructs User to pick up/redeliver container and chassis from/to different locations, each piece of Equipment must be picked up/redelivered within no more that one working day of each other. Bare chassis held by the User beyond 24 (twenty-four) hours from the date of redelivery of the container will be subject to detention charges of \$44.00 (forty-four U.S. Dollars) per day, regardless of any remaining free time that would otherwise apply.

8.4

If the Equipment has not been interchanged back from the User before the expiration of free time, User shall pay the owner as follows according to the number of calendar days, (including Saturdays, Sundays and excluding terminal closure due to holidays) or fraction thereof, measured from the end of free time until the User returns the equipment:

Days 1-9

\$150 per standard 20ft container

\$150 per standard 40ft container

\$165 per special 20ft container

\$165 per special 40ft container

\$315 per 40ft Reefer container

Days 10+

\$200 per standard 20ft container

\$200 per standard 40ft container

\$215 per special 20ft container

\$215 per special 40ft container

\$365 per 40ft Reefer container

Gensets - U.S. \$150.00 (one hundred fifty US dollars)

The section may be amended by written notification or addendum

8.5. Conditions and Exclusions

8.5.1. In the event that failure to return Equipment to the Owner after the expiration of Free Time is caused by a party other than the User, the Owner may invoice that party for the Use Charges, but such practice shall in no way relieve the User of ultimate responsibility for the use charges.

8.5.2. If the event that a "force majeure" condition as defined below is directly and solely the cause for a Use Charge, the User may make written application to the Owner for exemption from Use Charges. The Owner will seek corroborative evidence of such "force majeure" in each instance, and will respond to the User based on the merits of the individual request. As used herein, "force majeure" shall mean and include, without limitation, strikes or lockouts; fire, flood, earthquakes, or other activities of the elements, or acts of God; marine and/or rail disasters; riots, insurrections, and/or civil commotions; embargoes; laws, regulations, and/or acts or requests of government authorities; or any other official interference with commercial intercourse arising from the above conditions and affecting the Carrier's operations.

8.5.3. If the Owner cannot determine the correct party to bill the Use Charge, the Owner will reserve the right to invoice any charges to the container depot, marine terminal, or rail ramp that last interchanged the Equipment.

8.5.4. A tariff or contract filed by the Owner with the FMC which specifies free time and use charge shall, for that period and for those parties referenced, override the Free Time and charges of this Agreement.

8.5.5. The Owner may, at any time, initiate a CY agreement with a User to ensure that Equipment held per the Owner's instructions is excluded from the provisions of this Agreement.

8.5.6. When the User provides rail services, that User will be exempt from any charges for any time that the Owner's Equipment is traveling over rail lines. Such User will not be exempt from any charges arising from negligent handling of Owner's Equipment.

8.5.7. Users hired by the Owner to perform drop and pull door delivery services will be exempt from Use Charges for any time up until the Owner's customer releases the empty container to them. Free time for the User will begin at 8:00 am on the next calendar day following this notification.

- 8.5.8. Users hired by the Owner to perform live delivery services are subject to Use Charges in accordance with rule 8.2 above.
- 8.5.9. The Owner reserves the right to Interchange its Equipment for both domestic and international repositioning under contract terms which will override the Free Time and Use Charge provisions of this Agreement.

**9. USERS LIABILITY**

User agrees to defend, hold harmless and fully indemnify Owner against any and all loss, damage, liability, cost or expenses, (including attorney's fees) suffered or incurred by Owner, arising out of or connected with injuries to or death of any person or loss of or damage to any property (including Equipment and cargo) arising out of User's operations, maintenance, possession or control of interchanged Equipment, [except to the extent caused or contributed to] by Owner's negligence, breach of contract, breach of warranty, strict liability, or otherwise. User further agrees to defend, indemnify and hold Owner harmless against any and all loss, damage, liability, cost or expenses (including attorney's fees and trip permit fees) arising out of User's failure to comply, for any reason whatsoever, with any governmental statutes, rule or regulations.

**10. INSURANCE**

- 10.1. The User shall procure and maintain throughout the term of this Agreement Comprehensive General Liability notice and Automobile Liability Insurance, with a Trucker's Uniform Intermodal Interchange Endorsement attached, covering User's liability to third persons and their property, including, but not limited to, any liability assumed under the provisions of Paragraph 6 of this Agreement, with a combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage, of not less than U.S. 1,000,000 (one million U.S. Dollars).
- 10.2. User shall promptly provide Owner with Certificates of Insurance designating Westwood Shipping Lines, its parent and subsidiary corporations, employees and agents as additional insured's under the required insurance and in conformance with the Truckers Uniform Intermodal Interchange Endorsement.
- 10.3. Westwood Shipping Lines must be listed as the certificate holder.
- 10.4. If the User is transporting hazardous cargo, User shall be in compliance with all federal, state and local laws and regulations including all those regarding insurance requirements for the transportation of hazardous cargo.

**11. WARRANTY**

Owner does not make any warranty or representation expressed or implied as to the fitness or condition of the Equipment interchanged, including tires and tubes, and the User accepts said Equipment at its own risk and inspection.

**12. TERM OF AGREEMENT**

This Agreement shall be effective until terminated by either party by giving the other party three days written notice of such termination. Termination of the Agreement shall not release either party in respect to any obligations or liabilities that arise out of matters occurring prior to termination.

**13. INTERNATIONAL TRADE - UNITED STATES**

User agrees that the Equipment covered by this Agreement shall be used as an instrument of international traffic only in international trade and shall not be used within any part of the United States other than in the course of transfer from the point of origin to the port of exportation or from the port of importation to the point of destination, except as is otherwise expressly permitted by Section 10.41 a(f) of the Customs Regulations of the United States 19 CFR 10.41a(f), or any other section of such regulations. User further agrees to indemnify and to hold harmless the Owner for any and all consequences of whatever sort resulting, directly or indirectly, from failure to comply with this restriction, whether such violation is intentional or not. Use of Equipment for unauthorized movements shall be grounds for immediate termination of this Agreement.

**WESTWOOD SHIPPING LINES**  
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**Puyallup, WA 98374**

Executed at Puyallup, WA on this Tuesday, February 7, 2023

User/ <a href="#">Trucking company:</a>		Owner	<b>Westwood Shipping Lines</b>
<a href="#">Signature (please also print name):</a>		By	<b>Truck Safety Team</b>
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