

Special handling codes



IATA codes for dangerous goods							
Special Handling Code	Description	Additional booking details	SAS Priority Cargo	SAS General Cargo	SAS Basic Cargo	SAS Allotment Cargo Soft	SAS Allotment Cargo Hard
ELI	Lithium-ion battery excepted section II of 966-967	UN number and correct quantity per package	X	X		X	X
ELM	Lithium metal battery excepted section II of 969-970	UN number and correct quantity per package	X	X		X	X
ICE	Dry Ice as a cooling agent	Net quantity per piece	X	X		X	X
ICE	Dry ice as a consignment	UN number and net quantify pr. package		X			
MAG	Magnetized Material, if class 9/UN2807	UN number, class.		X			
RCL	Cryogenic Liquid	UN number and net quantify pr. package		X			
RCM	Corrosive material	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RDS	Diagnostic Specimen	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece	X	X		X	X
REQ	Dangerous goods in excepted quantities		X	X		X	X
RFG	Flammable Gas	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RFL	Flammable Liquid	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RFS	Flammable Solid	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RFW	Flammable when wet	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RIS	Infectious substance	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RLI	Fully regulated lithium-ion battery	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RLM	Fully regulated lithium metal battery	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RMD	Miscellaneous Dangerous goods	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RNG	Non-flammable gas	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
ROP	Organic Peroxide	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			

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ROX	Oxidizer	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RPB	Poisonous/Toxic substance	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RRE	Radioactive in exempted quantities		X	X		X	X
RRW	Radioactive White	UN number, dimensions, TI and RRR-category		X			
RRY	Radioactive Yellow	UN number, dimensions, TI and RRR-category		X			
RSB	Polystyrene beads	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RSC	Spontaneous combustible	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			
RXS	Explosives 1.4S	UN number, class, net quantify pr. piece		X			

For all DG categories, it must be stated if “Overpack” or “All-in-One” is used

IATA codes for live animals

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AVC	Live crustaceans – no oxygen required		X	X		X	X
AVF	Live fish – no oxygen required		X	X		X	X
AVI	Live Animals	NET weight of animal		X			
AVX	Baby poultry, less than 72hrs old	Also known as ‘day-old’ chicken	X*	X		X	X
HEG	Hatching eggs	Combine with COL, CRT or ACT-codes	X	X		X	X
SPF	Laboratory Animals (live)	NET weight and type of animal	X*	X			

* PAA allowed if the final destination is the first port of entry into a country. Please note that EU is considered one country

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IATA codes for foodstuff and pharma							
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ACT	Active Temperature Controlled system	Combine with applicable SPL-code	X	X		X	X
COL	Cool store, temperature between +2–+8 °C	Specify if temp requirement is for flight or storage/transfers.	X	X		X	X
CRT	Controlled Room Temperature +15–25 °C	Combine with applicable SPL-code	X	X		X	X
EAT	Foodstuffs	Combine with COL, CRT or ACT-codes	X	X		X	X
ERT	Extended Room Temperature +2–25 °C	Combine with applicable SPL-code	X	X		X	X
FRI	Frozen store – subject to veterinarian inspection			X			
FRO	Frozen store – temperature -5 to -15 °C		X	X		X	X
PEA	Hunting trophies / CITES-sensitive goods	Verification that goods are not listed in CITES appendices	X	X		X	X
PEF	Flowers	Combine with COL, CRT or ACT-codes	X	X		X	X
PEM	Meat	Combine with COL, CRT or ACT-codes	X	X		X	X
PEP	Fruit and vegetables	Combine with COL, CRT or ACT-codes	X	X		X	X
PER	Perishables, main code	Combine with COL, CRT or ACT-codes	X	X		X	X
PES	Fish and seafood – non live	Combine with COL, CRT or ACT-codes	X	X		X	X
PIL	Pharmaceuticals	Combine with applicable SPL code, COL, CRT, ERT, FRO code for specification of temperature range	X	X		X	X

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IATA codes for loading							
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BIG	<p>Item loaded on two or more pallets or requiring special handling/equipment due to size or weight. BIG is followed by foremost/rear-most pallet positions and weight.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicable only to palletized items • May be combined with OHG for overhang pieces, e.g. BIG/AB/7500.OHG/AB/C45. <p>OHG to be used when piece exceeds ULD contour limits (e.g. A350: ~318 cm).</p>	Dimensions and weight per piece are mandatory.		X			
HEA	Heavy Cargo, piece weight more than 149kgs	Dimensions mandatory. When more HEAs, dimensions weight and dimensions each piece	X	X	X	X	X
HER	Heavy Cargo, piece more than 79kgs and less than 150 kgs	Dimensions mandatory.	X	X	X	X	X
VOL	Volume Cargo			X			

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IATA codes for special handling requirements in warehouse

Special Handling Code	Description	Additional booking details	SAS Priority Cargo	SAS General Cargo	SAS Basic Cargo	SAS Allotment Cargo Soft	SAS Allotment Cargo Hard
BUP	Bulk Unitization Program, Shipper/Consignee handled unit	ULD ID in description	X	X	X	X	X
COU	Courier shipment	None	X				
DIP	Diplomatic mail		X	X			
FIL	Film – undeveloped		X				
HUC	Human remains – urn			X			
HUM	Human remains – coffin	Dimensions mandatory. Combine with HEA/HER if applicable		X			
MUW	Munition of War	Type and model of weapon description.	X	X		X	X
NWP	Newspapers	None	X	X		X	X
OBX	Obnoxious cargo	None (check embargo)	X	X		X	X
SLT	Shipper Loaded ULD, single destination goods	ULD ID in description	X	X		X	X
SWP	Sporting weapons	Type and model of weapon description.	X	X		X	X
VAL	Valuable Cargo	If weapons, Type and model of weapon.		X			
VUN	Vulnerable Cargo	Dimensions mandatory. Combine with HEA/HER if applicable. If weapons, type and model of weapon description – In some cases local laws and regulations also require an overfly permit	X	X		X	X

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IATA codes for special handling and loading attention

Special Handling Code	Description	Additional booking details	SAS Priority Cargo	SAS General Cargo	SAS Basic Cargo	SAS Allotment Cargo Soft	SAS Allotment Cargo Hard
AOG	Aircraft on Ground	Combine with applicable DG if required	X	X*			
AZD	Direct delivery			X		X	X
LHO	Live Human Organs	If packed in Dry Ice, use ICE as additional SPL code	X				

* GEN only allowed if DG

IATA codes for e-AWBs – To be used in FWB

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EAP	E-freight with accompanying documents	To be used only when bilateral contract is signed	X	X	X	X	X
EAW	E-freight electronic AWB	To be used only when bilateral agreement is signed	X	X	X	X	X
ECC	Electronic AWB, no paper	Automatically linked when bilateral contract is signed. Do not remove.	X	X	X	X	X
ECP	E-freight accompanying documents	Automatically linked when bilateral contract is signed. Do not remove.	X	X	X	X	X

The e-freight codes are not mandatory in the booking, only in the FWB

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IATA codes for security – To be used in FWB

Special Handling Code	Description	Additional booking details	SAS Priority Cargo	SAS General Cargo	SAS Basic Cargo	SAS Allotment Cargo Soft	SAS Allotment Cargo Hard
NSC	Non-secured Cargo*		X	X	X	X	X
SPX	Cargo secured for passenger aircraft*		X	X	X	X	X
USF	Unscreened Cargo		X	X	X	X	X

* Not mandatory in the booking, only in FWB