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Subject: Requirements for the Movement of Firearms and/or Ammunition in Matson Containers

The Gun Control Act of 1968, 18 U.S.C. Section 921, et seq., requires that shippers of guns and/or ammunition give written notice to the ocean carrier.

It is unlawful for an ocean carrier to transport a firearm or ammunition if it has reason to believe that the transportation is in violation of law. Therefore, Matson requires shippers to sign the attached certification if their shipment contains a firearm or ammunition.

Federal regulations, 49 CFR 172.200 et seq., require that the shipper of record provide a complete description of any hazardous material, including ammunition, when cargoes are presented to a carrier for ocean transportation. The proper descriptions can be found in the Hazardous Materials Table at 49 CFR 172.101.

It is therefore incumbent upon all Household Goods Origin Agents and/or Port Agents, acting on the behalf of their customer as the Shipper of Record, to comply with these requirements when tendering containers laden with firearms and/or ammunition of any quantity, type or age to Matson for movement within the Hawaii or Guam trades.

The Household Goods Origin Agent or Port Agent must properly complete the form below, confirming the shipment and container number to which the firearm and/or ammunition have been stowed, and submit it to Matson at the time the shipment is tendered for ocean carriage.

[Matson Certification](#)

Thank you for your adherence to this request.

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To notify us of changes to recipient information, please reply to datasupport@matson.com or return this notice via fax to 866-394-0940. Please notate your corrections and include your phone number so that we may contact you should we need clarification.
Please allow 2-3 business days for processing. Mahalo!