



Bill of Lading

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WHAT IS A BILL OF LADING?

➤ An essential legal document used when shipping goods.



➤ Contract of carriage between the Shipper, Consignee, and Carrier stating the terms and conditions of carriage



Who Issues A Bill of Lading?

- Carrier



Who Receives A Bill of Lading?

- The shipper
- A broker or freight forwarder or a third party managing customs; and
- The consignee.

Functions of Bill of Lading



Evidence of
Contract of
Carriage



Receipt of
Goods



Document of
Title to goods



Content of Bill of Lading

1. Shipper's Detail
2. Consignee's Detail
3. Notify Party
4. Mode of Initial Carriage
5. Place of Initial Receipt
6. Vessel Name
7. Port of Loading
8. Port of Discharge
9. Place of Delivery by Carrier
10. Booking No.
11. Bill of Lading No.
12. Export References
13. Forwarding Agent/Fmc No.
14. Point and Country of Origin
15. For Delivery of Goods Please Present Documents To

SHIPPER/EXPORTER (provide complete name and address) 1		BOOKING NO: 10	BILL OF LADING NO: 11	
CONSIGNEE (please provide complete name and address) 2		EXPORT REFERENCES: 12		
		FORWARDING AGENT / FMC NO: 13		
NOTIFY PARTY (please provide complete name and address) 3		POINT AND COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: 14		
		FOR DELIVERY OF GOODS PLEASE PRESENT DOCUMENTS TO: 15		
MODE OF INITIAL CARRIAGE 4	PLACE OF INITIAL RECEIPT 5	DOMESTIC ROUTING-EXPORT INSTRUCTIONS 16		
VESSEL NAME 6	PORT OF LOADING 7	FREIGHT PAYABLE AT 17		TYPE OF MOVEMENT 18
PORT OF DISCHARGE 8	PLACE OF DELIVERY BY CARRIER 9			
MARKS & NOS-CONT. NOS 19	NO. OF PACKAGES 20	DESCRIPTION OF PACKAGES AND GOODS 22	GROSS WEIGHT 23	MEASUREMENT 24
TOTAL NUMBER OF PKGS. 21				
FREIGHT RATES, CHARGES, WEIGHTS AND/OR MEASUREMENTS SUBJECT TO CORRECTIONS 25		PREPAID 26	COLLECT 27	<p>RECEIVED FOR SHIPMENT from the MERCHANT in apparent good order and condition unless otherwise stated herein, the GOODS mentioned above to be transported as provided herein, by any mode of transport for all or any part of the Carriage, SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS appearing on the face and back hereof and in the CARRIER'S applicable Tariff, to which the Merchant agrees by accepting this BILL OF LADING.</p> <p>Where applicable law requires and not otherwise, one original Bill of LADING must be surrendered, duly endorsed, in exchange for the GOODS or CONTAINER(S) or other PACKAGE(S), the others to stand void. If a Non-Negotiable Bill of LADING is issued, neither an original nor a copy need be surrendered in exchange for delivery unless applicable law so requires.</p> <p>BY _____ 28 AS CARRIER 29 DATED _____</p>



Content of Bill of Lading



16. Domestic Routing/Export Instructions
17. Freight Payable At
18. Type of Movement
19. Marks & Numbers/Container Numbers
20. No. of Packages
21. Total Number of Pkgs
22. Description of Packages and Goods
23. Gross Weight
24. Measurement
25. Freight Charges
26. Prepaid
27. Collect
28. By
29. Dated

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Why is the Bill of Lading Important?

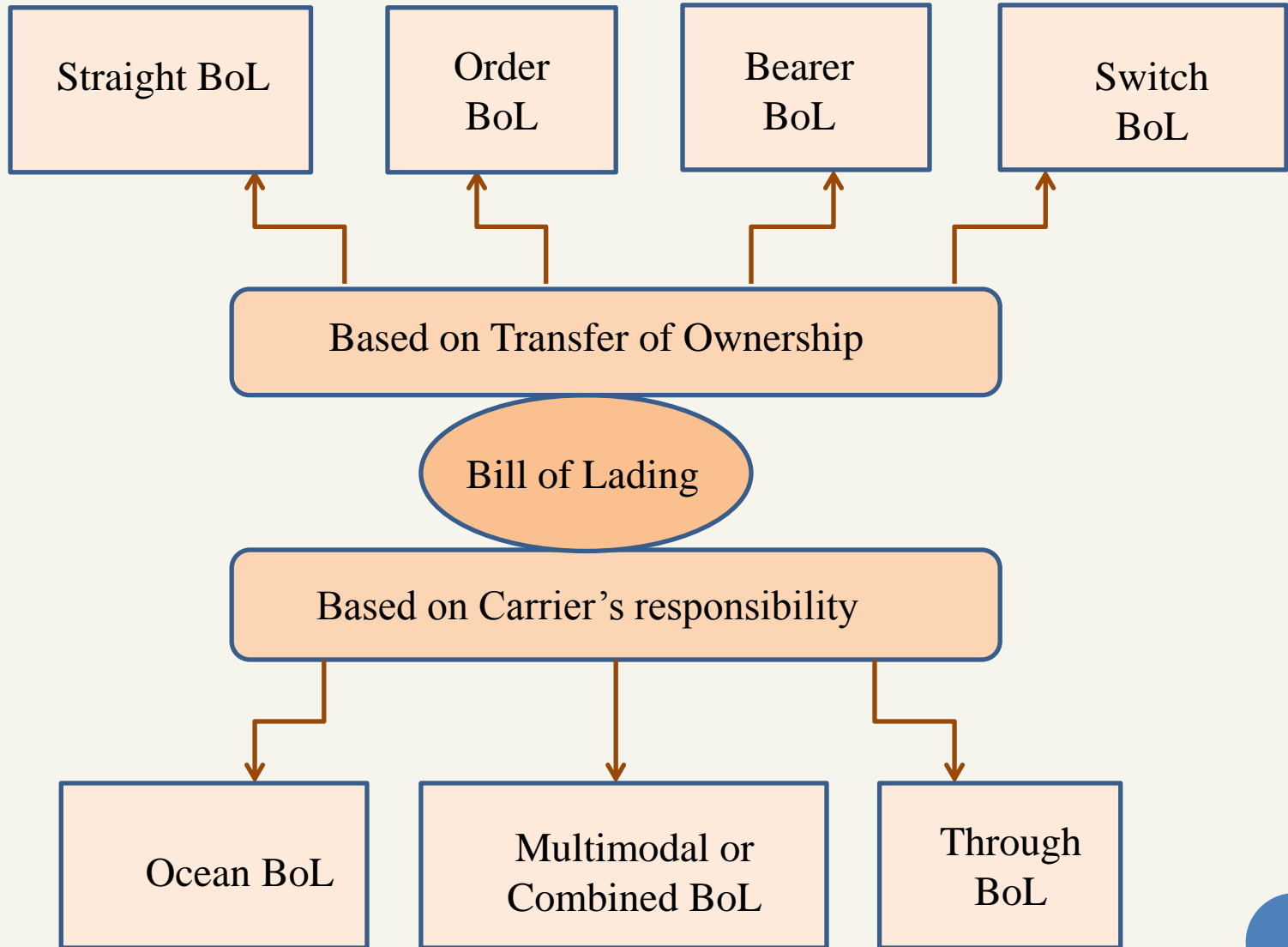
➔ Provides the carrier and shipper all the necessary details of the goods

➔ A receipt and invoice for the products being shipped

➔ Contains all the terms and conditions for the transportation process



Types of Bill of lading



BASED ON TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP

TYPES OF BILL OF LADING

Straight BoL

Goods are consigned to a particular person and it is not negotiable

Order BoL

Bill is made out to a consignee "or to his order or assigns" and it is negotiable

Bearer BoL

No name mentioned to whom the goods to be delivered

Delivered to the bearer i.e. person in possession of BoL

Switch BoL

A replacement BOL in exchange for the Original BoL

Issued at the request of the consignee

Without revealing the identity of the original supplier or shipper

BASED ON CARRIER'S RESPONSIBILITY

TYPES OF BILL OF LADING

Ocean BoL

Allows the shipper to transport the cargo over seas, nationally or internationally

Multimodal or Combined BoL

Involves a minimum of two different modes of transport. The modes of transportation can be anything from freight boat to air.

Through BoL

Allows carrier to pass the cargo through several different modes of transportation and/or several different distribution centers



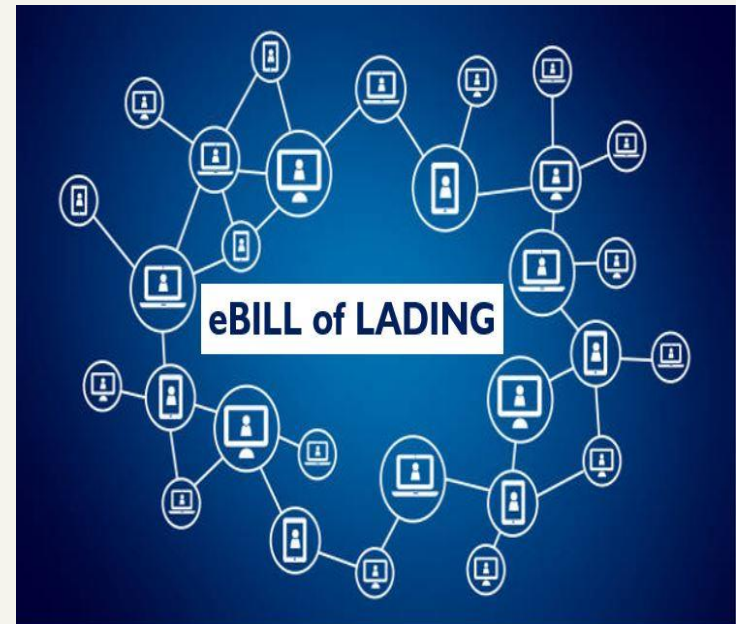
Electronic Bill of Lading

- Modernized Bill of Lading



Advantages of E-Bill of Lading

- Saves both paper and courier Cost
- Transmitted Quickly which enables Quick Trade
- Modification can be made quickly and cost effectively
- Difficult to commit fraud if e-bill drawn correctly.



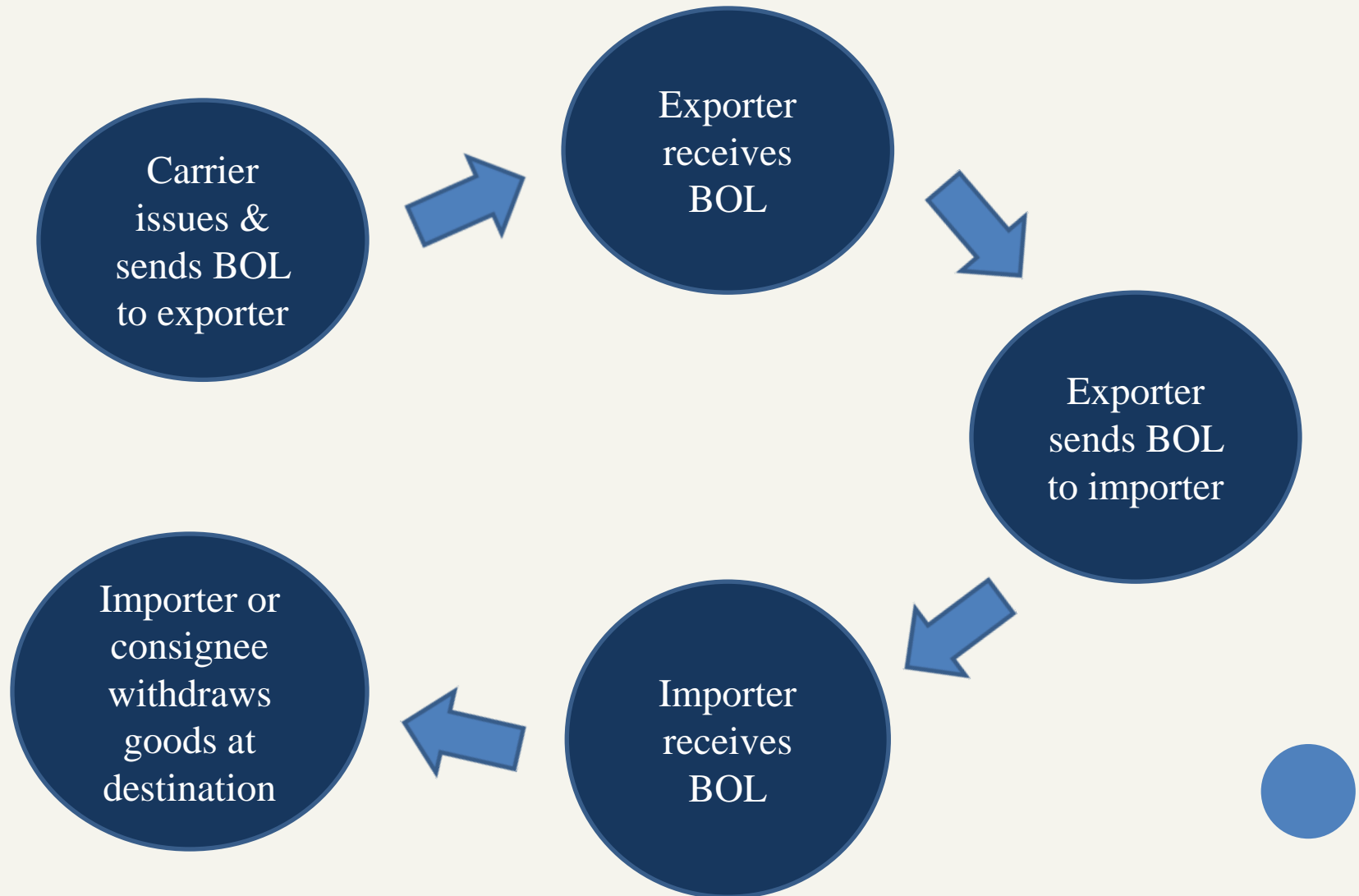
CONVENTIONS APPLIED TO THE BILL OF LADING

Contract between the carrier and the shipper is already created before issuing the bill of lading. Popularly used conventions and rules which covers the contract of carriage for carrying goods by sea –

- **Hague -Visby Rules**
- **COGSA**
- **Hamburg Rules**
- **Rotterdam Rules**
- **Hague Rules**



STANDARD ROUTE OF BILL OF LADING SINCE ITS EMISSION



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