Transport documents

fficial transport documents are issued by the carrier. They are legally binding contracts between the consignor and the carrier regarding the transport and consignment of the goods. They also function as a receipt of the carriage of the merchandise. According to the means of transport employed, as we have seen, four different types of documents can be used:

- Road Consignment Note (CMR) for road transport;
- **2.** Rail Consignment Note (CIM) for transport by train;



- **3.** Bill of Lading (B/L) for sea transport;
- **4.** Air Waybill (AWB) for air transport.

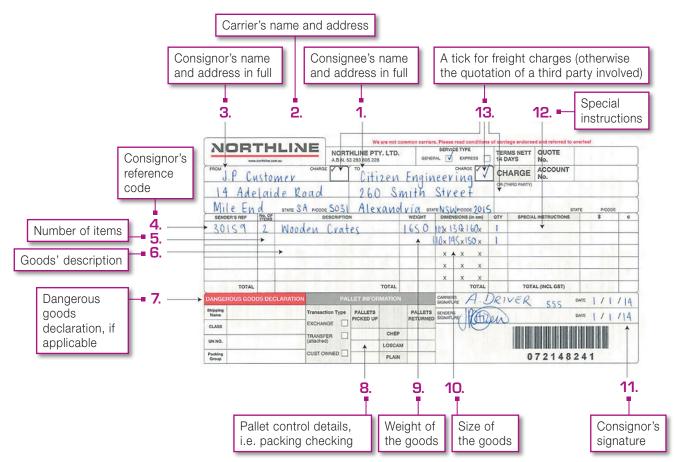
The **Bill of Lading** is also a document of title, i.e. a formal shipping document that confers/proves the ownership of the goods. As regards the conditions of the goods, there are two types of B/L:

- clean B/L, when the carrier declares that he has received the goods in apparent good order and condition;
- **foul B/L**, when the carrier declares that he has received the goods in unsatisfactory condition.

When sea transport is combined with other types of transport, the B/L is called combined or multimodal.

Conversely, the **Air Waybill** is non-negotiable, i.e. it is only a contract for transportation and does not represent the goods mentioned.

All the documents usually contain this information, as shown in the example of a CMR.





Look at this B/L and take note of:

date • document number • carrier's details • consignor's details • consignee's details • third party (if any) • goods details (items, weight, size, etc) • special instructions

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PAIR WORK Practise asking questions about the documents above and describe them.

>Who is the carrier? Are there any special instructions?



Listen to a consignor giving instructions to a carrier and complete the consignment note above (CMR).

