

**AUTORIDAD DEL CANAL DE PANAMÁ**  
**EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENCY FOR OPERATIONS**

**ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-03-2015**

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**TO** : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

**SUBJECT:** Dangerous Cargos Requirements Refresher

Accurate and timely information on dangerous cargos are key elements for the well-being and safety of Panama Canal Authority (ACP) personnel, operations, and our customers. Therefore, please be reminded that vessels transporting dangerous cargos shall provide the following information via EDCS at least 96 hours in advance of ETA:

- Proper shipping name
- IMO Class & Division
- UN Number
- Mass in metric tons
- Stowage location
- Flashpoint of cargos or last cargos (only applicable to vessels transporting or having transported flammable or combustible liquids in bulk, either in cargo tanks or slop tanks)

Additionally, vessels transporting direct reduced iron (DRI) in any of its forms, hazardous wastes regulated under the Basel Convention, or radioactive materials, shall provide, via electronic mail, documentation as outlined in Section 16 of Notice to Shipping N-1-2015, Vessel Requirements.

Please be advised that the electronic mail address [cargoinfo@pancanal.com](mailto:cargoinfo@pancanal.com) has been established to receive these documents, as well as to provide further guidance with respect to the regulations for the navigation in Panama Canal waters when transporting dangerous cargos.

Adherence to these requirements will assist the ACP to efficiently provide resources for the benefit of all customers, in order to prevent delays and sanctions.

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