



New Argentine Custom requirement-Res.3252/12

As of February 1, 2012, Argentinian Government has mandated that all cargo shipped to Argentina must comply with the requirements of a new mechanism called DJAI (Import Affidavit ("IA")).

Although it will be compulsory for all importations from that date, authorities have not yet informed how it will be implemented. For that reason, it is assumed that any importation could not be made after this date and for some period.

Consignee will only be able to Customs release the cargo if they have the DJAI accepted. The reference number of the document will be requested at the moment they produce the import custom clearance "Despacho de Importacion" in the SIM (System Custom).

This regulation will be enforced February 1st. All on board cargo shipped before February will not be subject to comply with the regulation. It will be important for shippers to be very careful with cargo loading onto vessels sailing from POL at the end of January, because if the vessel is delayed and finally departures in February, will have to comply with this regulation.

These conditions can be maintained in the event of a transit, but not in the case of transshipment (change of documents and/or means of transport). Regarding the date of the transport document (Bill of lading) issued upon the receipt of the cargo by the carrier, the date that will be taken into account by the authorities to apply the exceptions will be the one in the Master transport document.

Please note that if the shipment doesn't have the DJAI and arrives to Argentina, two things can happen:

1. The government can accept the shipment and the goods can be imported.
2. The government can reject the shipment. In this case the Shipper and Consignee are fully responsible for all the extra cost this operation implies.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your International Account Manager.

Thank you for your attention.