IFTMBF DG Bookings between Carriers



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Message Usage

Commonly the <u>IFTMBF Edifact message</u> is used for a booking from a customer to a shipping line.

However in the SMDG context, it is used for a different purpose, namely the exchange of *DG bookings between Shipping Lines* where one Shipping Lines uses the space on a vessel operated by another Line.

It is sent from the Container Operator (the Carrier that booked the container) to the Vessel Operator. The Vessel Operator will usually reply with a IFTMBC confirmation (or reject) message.

Benefit of using EDI: The receiving carrier does not need to input manually the DG booking details.

IFTMBF for DG Bookings - Purpose

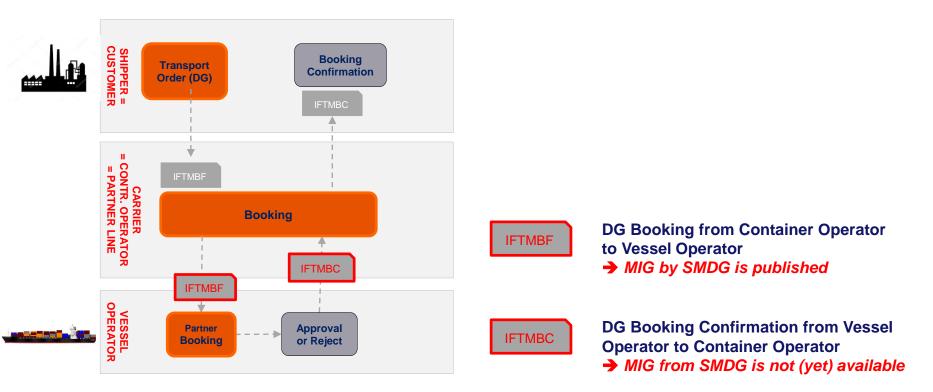






IFTMBF and IFTMBC for DG Bookings - Process







IFTMBF for DG Bookings - Status



Current Status

Since 2011 the SMDG has taken responsibility for this message. Latest Version 1.3.1 based on D.00B was published in December 2012.

Usage

This MIG is currently used by HL, ONE, OOCL, Hamburg-Süd, Hyundai, CMACGM and in a similar version by MSC. Also by Maersk Line, ZIM and WEC Lines. It is seen as the world standard.

2018 Redesign

In 2018, MSC has started an initiative to enhance the message with missing elements, and to increase the acceptance of the standard MIG. Target is to achieve one common standard MIG that is accepted and used by all carriers and that is published by the SMDG. All major carriers are participating.

Goal: No more individual implementation guides needed !





IFTMBF for DG Bookings – Topics



□ IFTMBF Changes in new MIG version SMDG 1.4 currently in work

- Transhipment scenario
- **Reefer** settings: To be reported on GID level or on EQD level
- Fumigated Container: Date/Time of fumigation on EQD level and the other items on GID level
- PSN vs. TN
- CAA competent authority approval
- IMO Sort Codes: TLQ, TEQ, Residue, Normal, ...
- Solution for CFR49 cargo
- Solution for SAPT / SADT transmission
- Slot charter scenario: distinguish whether the message comes from a VSA partner or from a slot charterer
- BGM function codes only 1 / 4 / 5 / 9 to be used. How to send cancellations.
- How to to link an IFTMBC to a IFTMBC
- ... and more items, to be discussed during the workgroup meeting on 10th Oct



IFTMBC – Booking Confirmation for DG bookings



So far no MIG available for IFTMBC for DG bookings

SMDG should provide a MIG for this IFTMBC as an international standard

Litems discussed:

- IFTMBC for each single container, or for the whole booking? The MIG should allow both options.
- References needed in the IFTMBC:
 - Reference to the booking message BGM reference
 - Reference to the booking number
 - Reference to the internal container identifier
 - Reference to the container number resp. to the placeholder as long as no container number is known

