

Prepare other documentation

Your shipment must be accompanied by all relevant documentation, including:

- commercial invoice
- packing slip
- shipper's instructions
- certificate of origin
- standards documentation (if necessary)
- health/sanitary certificate (if necessary)

Freight forwarder involvement

Your freight forwarder prepares the following documents and delivers copies to you, your buyer and your commercial bank:

- customs invoice
- consular invoices (if required)
- special packing or marking list
- insurance and certificate of insurance
- bill of lading

Shipment

The shipment process works like this:

- Your freight forwarder sends the goods to the carrier.
- Your customer receives all relevant documentation, allowing the shipment to clear customs.
- The goods clear customs at the destination entry point.

Collection

After the shipment has been sent:

- The freight forwarder presents your bank with the LC and all accompanying documentation.
- You present your bank with a sight draft (demand for payment).
- Your bank passes the documentation to the buyer's bank with a demand for payment.
- The buyer's bank accepts the documentation and lets you know when the funds will be transferred.
- Your bank transfers funds to your account.

