

## **Paperless FIATA BL**

Bringing trust and security through digitalisation



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- The Negotiable FIATA Multimodal Transport Bill of Lading is the only truly multimodal negotiable standard Bill of Lading. The FBL is a trusted trade document, in conformity with the UNCTAD/ICC rules.
- A digital version of the document has been long awaited by FIATA and National Associations members (representing about 40 000 companies worldwide)
- FIATA has developed a solution that will allow freightforwarders to issue paperless FBLs through their everyday tools and more than simply digitising the document, the digital version will bring additional trust and security.
- Each paperless FBL will be tracked through its unique ID number and QR code and all stakeholders, interacting with the document, will have access to the audit trail to verify the validity of the document, the identity of its issuer as well as the integrity of its content.



Paperless FIATA BL – Key benefits

- Save time and money –Issue paperless FIATA BL within seconds
- Optimise your processes Issue paperless FBLs directly from your TMS and avoid double data entry.
- Bring trust and security Give the possibility to your stakeholders to verify at any time: the validity of the paperless FBL, your identity as well as the document content integrity.
- Achieve your sustainability goals Embrace a green solution, help saving paper and unnecessary courier service.



#### Paperless FIATA BL- How does it work?

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Input data to create an FBL through your software, please check the <u>list of software</u> providers offering this service

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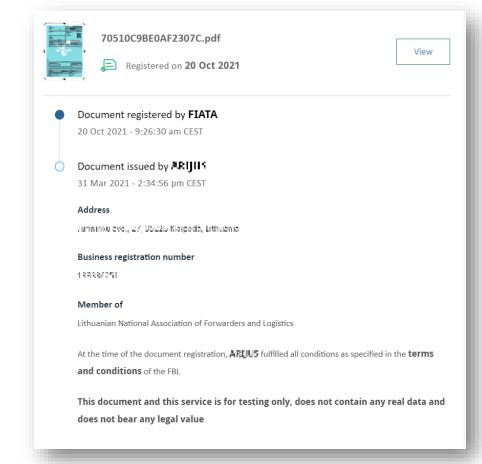


The paperless FIATA BL is made available in a PDF format. You can decide if you want to share it in a paperless format or to print it.



Through an automated process, FIATA verifies whether you fulfill all conditions to issue FBLs

#### Paperless FIATA BL- How does it work?



All stakeholders interacting with the document can verify it and access the document audit trail, by scanning the QR code or uploading the document on <u>FIATA's</u> <u>verification webpage</u>.



#### Who can issue paperless FIATA BLs?

As per the <u>FBL Terms & Conditions</u>, companies who wish to issue eFBLs should respect the following requirements:

- FBL issuers should hold a valid membership at a FIATA
   National Association or with FIATA directly, in countries
   where there are no National Associations.
- FBL issuers should meet the requirements of their respective national legislation for setting up a freight forwarding or logistics company, where applicable.
- FBL issuers should hold a valid liability insurance, which respects the below conditions:
- The liability insurance should cover the FFW's responsibility for the goods from the time the FFW has taken the goods in its charge to the time of their delivery (para. 6.1 Conditions). The coverage should therefore include, *inter alia*:
- Liability for loss/damage or delay in delivery, if the occurrence that caused it took place while the FFW was in the FFW's charge, unless the FFW proves it was not due to its fault/neglect (para. 6.2 Conditions). This includes acts or omissions of the FFW (intentional/reckless);
- Compensation for loss/damage up to a limit equivalent to 666.67 SDR per package or unit or 2 SDR per kilogram of gross weight of goods, whichever is higher (see para. 8 Conditions for further information)
- N.B. exclusions and limitations of liability of FFW in Conditions in particular Para. 4, 5 and 8



Compliance checks will be performed by the National Association of the respective country where the company is registered, or by FIATA directly, in countries/territories where there is no National Association.



All companies who wish to issue paperless FIATA BLs should get a **FIATA Digital Identity** profile as a pre-requisite to start issuing eFBLs. The Digital Identity profile will be used to verify that the company who issues a paperless FBL fulfills all requirements, and to certify its identity to all stakeholders interacting with the document, through the audit trail.

**Process to issue paperless FIATA BLs** 

1 Fill in the Onboarding form

FIATA or the National Association of your country will check that you fulfill all requirements to issue FBLs

If you fulfill all requirements, your Digital Identity profile will be created and you will receive an invoice to pay for the paperless FIATA BL package you have selected



# **Process to start issuing paperless FIATA BLs**

- Once the invoice is paid, your Digital Identity profile and FBL package will be activated
- You will receive your unique identification number which should be communicated to your software provider to establish the connection
- You can then login to your TMS/software to start issuing paperless FIATA BLs
- You will receive a notification once you have reached the package limit. You can order new FBL packages at any time.



### More information and support



More information on the Paperless FIATA BL: <a href="https://www.efbl.fiata.org/">https://www.efbl.fiata.org/</a>



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