



EURO Advisory

Jeddah Port Operational Challenges and Mitigation Measures

Dear Valued Customers,

We would like to provide an update regarding the ongoing congestion, limited capacity, and operational constraints at Jeddah Port, which are significantly impacting cargo flow and resulting in delays across various stages of the import and transit process.

KEY OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES

- **Vessel berthing:** Even after vessel arrival and anchorage, berth allocation is being delayed, in some cases by 1-2 weeks.
- **Container discharge:** Vessel and container discharge is taking longer than normal due to port congestion and operational constraints.
- **Customs clearance:** Clearance for both normal and transit cargo is significantly delayed, particularly due to inspection constraints and limited movement to the CIY yard.
- **Warehouse capacity:** Our partner's bonded warehouse is currently operating at full capacity, preventing us from destuffing and receiving new containers.
- **Container movement:** Moving full containers to the Logi-Point warehouse is also becoming increasingly difficult due to the current overcapacity and slow cargo movement.
- **Inspection delays:** Customs inspections are taking longer than usual, further slowing down cargo movement and warehouse turnover.
- **Shipping line D/O:** Shipping lines are also taking several days to respond and issue Delivery Orders, adding further delays to the process.
- **Transit cargo:** Transit clearance is facing significant delays, resulting in additional container dwell time.
- **Empty container depots:** Most shipping lines have their empty container handling depots within JIP, which is further increasing congestion and making container movement more difficult.

MITIGATION MEASURES

Due to the above constraints, the entire operation is being significantly delayed.

With our partner's existing warehouse operating at full capacity, we are unable to destuff new containers, which is creating a backlog and further increasing demurrage, detention, and storage costs.

To overcome the current storage and capacity constraints, our partner has leased an additional warehouse within the port. This facility will be used to destuff incoming containers and facilitate the issuance of Delivery Orders (D/O), helping to improve cargo flow and reduce pressure on their existing warehouse capacity.

OPERATIONAL FROM 6th SEPTEMBER 2026

The additional warehouse has been operational since 6th September 2026, providing increased capacity to manage the current backlog, facilitate smoother cargo flow, and minimize further operational delays and associated costs.

Our partner continues to closely monitor the situation and coordinate with the port, customs authorities, shipping lines, and logistics partners to minimize the impact and expedite cargo movement wherever possible.

However, it should be noted that most of the current constraints are beyond our direct control.

We sincerely appreciate your patience, understanding, and continued cooperation during this challenging period.

Should you have any questions, please contact your local Shipco representative who will be ready to assist you at any time.

Sincerely,
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