

84. Receipts, Etc., for Inwards Cargo

The receipts of the members to a ship for cargo landed (in cases where under these regulations cargo passes into the custody of the members as wharfingers) shall be based upon the outward appearances of the packages only, and shall bear the following endorsement: —“Received in apparent good order and condition; weight, contents, and values unknown, except where otherwise stated,” and if during the progress of discharge of cargo doubt shall be expressed by the wharf manager as to the condition of any package or packages, such package or packages shall be placed in a situation apart from other cargo, pending examination, and the Board’s tally of and receipt for such package or packages shall be that of a doubtful or damaged package, as circumstances and appearances dictate. Such package or packages shall be opened and examined by the consignee, but only in the presence of the wharf manager and the ship’s agent, as soon as it is possible, after being landed. The Board will, under no pretence whatsoever, be held responsible for the safe custody or the condition of such package or packages or of its or their contents.

In the event of the ship by its agent refusing to accept a receipt as indicated for such cargo, such cargo must be immediately returned on board by the ship, and shall not be again landed until it has been examined by the consignee, who shall take delivery direct from the ship.