



**IVODGA**  
INTERNATIONAL VESSEL OPERATORS  
DANGEROUS GOODS ASSOCIATION



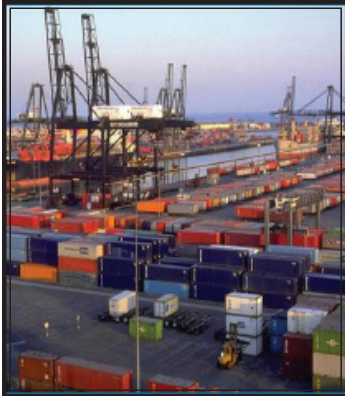
The International Association of Maritime Dangerous Goods Experts, Making a Difference

# Membership Information & Application

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*Not only does this organization keep us abreast of issues that concern the transportation of Dangerous Goods, it provides us the opportunity to discuss and voice our concerns during the regulatory development process.*

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## History

Established in 1990, IVODGA's mission is to assist and support members for the purpose of assuring the safe, efficient and cost-effective transportation of dangerous goods.

The safe transportation of dangerous goods is the primary focus of IVODGA members. Commitment to the safe and secure transport of dangerous goods saves lives and prevents injuries throughout the supply chain. IVODGA also assists the ocean common carrier industry in enjoying an excellent safety record, which has saved member companies millions of dollars in damages, claims, lost revenues and litigation costs. Safe handling of dangerous goods also protects critical transportation infrastructure from incidents and disruptions that may present significant safety and economic impacts. Careful monitoring of the international regulations and quick intervention of impractical and unsafe regulatory schemes by IVODGA staff ensures our members continue to operate the best management practices to continue to provide a safe work environment for all.

## The Benefits of Membership

**An international organization comprised of representatives of the ocean common carriers of the world, operating under the flags of several nations, dedicated to the development, enhancing the understanding, and uniform application of rules and regulations governing maritime transportation of dangerous goods.**

**Collectively, IVODGA members are responsible for the safe transportation of over 75% of the world's ocean borne container traffic.**

**IVODGA holds consultative status and actively participates at the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the UN Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (UN SCOE TDG). Representation at these meetings affords the opportunity to provide maritime operations expertise that has resulted in savings to our industry of millions of dollars by averting the adoption of impractical and overly burdensome regulations. IVODGA actively comments and petitions on proposed regulations and is in frequent contact with the regulatory bodies around the globe.**

### Technical Consultants

Members have ready access to our staff of technical consultants. Where issues impact a broad portion of the membership, these consultations are included in the annual dues.

An intervention by the IVODGA delegate convinced the DSC to alter their decision and to not adopt a new onerous amendment that would have required retro-fitting ships with larger lashing platforms costing our industry millions of dollars at a time that the ocean carriers are already experiencing financial challenges.

**IVODGA's primary focus is to foster the safe handling of dangerous goods, as well as to offer the expertise of the ocean carriers in the development of international and national multimodal regulations.**

## More Membership Benefits

### The Industry Standard in IMDG Compliance Training

- Customized in-house and public training programs delivered worldwide.
- Instructor-led on-site and web-based public IMDG Recurrent One Day Training, and instructor-led on-site IMDG Initial Training Course.
- Online Hazardous Materials/Dangerous Goods training [www.dgtrainingonline.com](http://www.dgtrainingonline.com)
- Webinars offered to members on regulatory topics of interest as a member benefit and there is no registration fee for attendance.
- IVODGA issued training guidelines to assist shippers, carriers and transporters of dangerous goods/hazardous materials complying with the IMDG Code.

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*“I enjoyed the course very much. It was the most informative course I have taken which covers commercial shipping.”*

*“A very well informed instructor. I would recommend this course to all the shipping industry.”*

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### Regulatory Updates

Information to Avoid Non-Compliance - IVODGA staff continually provide information to members and enforcement personnel to avoid penalties and frustrated shipments based on incorrect application or interpretation of the regulations. Through the Members Only website, IVODGA members discover a wealth of relevant and timely information from the latest regulatory changes and news affecting the hazmat transportation industry, to links to US DOT PHMSA, the US Federal Register, UN Papers, IMO Papers, Transport Canada and other resources you use daily. With your membership you will be able to register as many employees as you wish for electronic distribution of the IVODGA email newsletter, IVODGA regulatory updates, bulletins, etc.

### Regulatory Products

IVODGA provides required regulatory code books and products to member companies at discounted prices. Over the years, working directly with the IMO we reduced costs for the mandated IMDG Code by 450%. Combined savings for our members - \$5,600,000+



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The **MISSION** of the **International Vessel Operators Dangerous Goods Association, Inc. (IVODGA)** is to assist and support its members in their roles as representatives of ocean common carriers of the world for the purpose of assuring the safe and efficient transportation of dangerous goods and materials.

## IVODGA Members

APL, Ltd.  
Bahri General Cargo  
Bermuda Container Line  
COSCO Container Lines Americas, Inc.  
Crowley Liner Service  
Evergreen Shipping Agency (America) Corp.  
Hapag Lloyd AG  
Hyundai America Shipping Agency  
Independent Container Line, Ltd.  
Klinge Corporation  
Maersk Line  
Matson Navigation Company  
National Cargo Bureau  
Ocean Network Express, Inc.  
OOCL (USA) Inc.  
Seaboard Marine, Ltd.  
Tampa Bay International Terminals  
Tropical Shipping USA, LLC.  
Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics  
Wan Hai Lines Ltd.  
Yang Ming Marine



“Working through IVODGA, my input as a Hazmat Expert and Vessel Operator is heard around the globe.”

## Join Now!

To apply for membership, complete this application and return it to IVODGA at:

10 Hunter Brook Lane  
Queensbury, NY 12804

Fax 518/792-7781 • mail@ivodga.com

The IVODGA Dues per year (August 1 – July 31) are based on TEUs as follows -

\_\_\_\_\_ <100,000 TEUs transported annually = \$3,750  
\_\_\_\_\_ >100,000 TEUs transported annually = \$5,550  
\_\_\_\_\_ Associate Member (non-water carriers) = \$2,800

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**Yes! I am interested.**

Please contact me with more information.

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***Dues are an investment for you and your company***