

Re: Container Inspection Charge (CIC)

Barendrecht, 13th March 2024

Dear Customer,

Lately we have been confronted with huge additional expenses for customs inspection of our empty containers shipped from Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao to Rotterdam.

The reason of these inspections is that it seems that our empty containers are used for smuggling of narcotics.

NL customs insist that all empty containers are checked (100% control).

The customs inspection takes place during the discharging operation and all additional handlings and reduced speed for the operations are for account of Nirint Shipping.

Containers with commercial cargoes discharged from Dutch Caribbean to Rotterdam will be automatically selected for an inspection by NL customs for which the usual cost remain unchanged (scan or DCL inspection),

To compensate a part of the expenses we will charge a Container Inspection Charge (CIC) as from 01 April. The initial cost is € 25,00 per teu and payable at every Nirint owned container which is used for shipment to Dutch Caribbean.

The CIC is payable like the seafreight; i.e. when the seafreight is booked prepaid, the CIC cost is also payable in port of loading, when seafreight is booked collect, the CIC cost is payable at destination.

Shippers owned containers are not returned to Europe and therefore CIC is not payable at Shippers Owned Equipment.

With kind regards,

Nirint Shipping B.V.