

BIMCO MR Standard for bulk shipments – data field definitions and references

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BIMCO MR #	BIMCO eBL #	MR Field	eBL Field	UN Assigned ID	Current definition of field	Data input format	Prepare B/L	Conditions (if applicable)	Issue B/L	Note
1	7	Vessel name	Vessel	UN01003822	A self-propelled sea going vessel used in international seaborne trade for the transport of goods, passengers or both.	The name of the first sea going Vessel on board which the cargo is loaded or intended to be loaded.	Mandatory		Mandatory	
2	16	Date cargo received on board	Shipped On board date	UN01015089	Date when the cargo linked to the bill of lading is physically on board the vessel indicated on the bill of lading.	Local date at place of issue, ISO-8601 format	N/A		Mandatory	
3	1	Shipper	Shipper	UN01004212	Any person or legal entity by whom or in whose name, or on whose behalf, a contract of carriage of goods by sea has been concluded with a carrier, or any person who has accepted the delivery of the goods.	Company name, physical address (should be provided in structured format, but can be printed as unstructured to match L/C requirement),	Mandatory		Mandatory	
4	5	Port of Loading	Port of Loading	UN01004238	The location where the cargo is loaded onto a first sea-going vessel for water transportation.	Port location international naming standard and UN Locode	Mandatory		Mandatory	
5	6	Port of Discharge	Port of Discharge							
6		Marks and nos								
7		No of packages								
8	10	Description of goods	Description of goods	UN01004759	The details that accurately and properly describe the cargo (including marks, if any)	Text describing the goods which may contain marks and numbers, if any.	Mandatory		Mandatory	
9	11	Gross weight	Gross weight (Cargo gross weight)	UN01004121	The grand total weight of the cargo including packaging items being carried which can be expressed in imperial or metric terms, as provided by the shipper.	Gross cargo weight described as a numeric string where the unit of measure must be specified (imperial or metric)	Mandatory		Mandatory	Either 11 or 12 or both must apply.
10	12	Measurement	Measurement	UN01004124	Volume, which is calculated by multiplying the width, height, and length of the packed cargo, can be expressed in cubic meter or cubic feet, as provided	Measurement of cargo described as a numeric string in imperial or metric units.	Mandatory		Mandatory	Either 11 or 12 or both must apply.
11		Remarks/notes								
12	17		Signed By (Signature)	UN01003583	Field where the responsible person (Carriers agent) issuing the original bill of lading signs.	Carrier signature (digital or physical, printed signature)	N/A		Mandatory	
13		Ship's stamp								
?	20		Shipped on Deck	UN01004204	Amount/description of cargo shipped on deck at shipper's risk	Number and/or weight of cargo carried on deck plus text description	Conditional	Only applicable if deck cargo is loaded	Optional	