

**Regulatory Status – 2024/25 Federal Regulations**

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**Key Updates on IANA Policy Issues**

- **FMC initiates investigation into international maritime chokepoints to determine whether foreign entities are creating unfavorable shipping conditions. Comments due 05/13/25. [\(More info\)](#)**

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Order of investigation and request for comments	03/14/25	[Docket No. FMC–2025–0005] Order of Investigation Into Transit Constraints at International Maritime Chokepoints <i>Keywords: Shipping</i>	<u>12158(89)</u>	FMC initiates investigation into international maritime chokepoints to determine whether foreign entities are creating unfavorable shipping conditions. Comments due 05/13/25.
Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting	02/13/25	National Shipper Advisory Committee <i>Keywords: Shipping</i>	<u>9546(90)</u>	FMC announces next NSAC meeting on 03/05/25.
Notice of Determination to Review	01/06/25	IMCC Complaint for Violation of the Shipping Act of 1984, 46 U.S.C. § 41102(C) <i>Keywords: Shipping Act; Chassis; Trucks</i>	<u>Decision</u>	FMC announces plans to review Administrative Law Judge’s decision to dismiss remaining claims.
Decision	12/10/24		<u>Decision</u>	FMC dismisses all remaining claims as moot in case brought by IMCC against OCEMA and ocean carriers.
Decision	02/13/24		<u>Decision</u>	FMC affirms decision that OCEMA and 10 carriers violated the Shipping Act and orders respondents to cease and desist from unlawful practices.
Decision	02/06/23		<u>Decision</u>	FMC serves initial decision partially granting summary decision to IMCC.
Notice of Filing of Complaint and Assignment	08/28/20		<u>53369(85)</u>	Intermodal Motor Carriers Conference files complaint with FMC against OCEMA and 10 ocean carriers seeking declaratory relief and order to cease and desist from violations of the Shipping Act, including denying motor

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				carriers chassis choice and charging unreasonable rates.
Final rule; announcement of effective date; correction  Final Rule	01/02/25  07/23/24	Definition of Unreasonable Refusal to Deal or Negotiate with Respect to Vessel Space Accommodations Provided by an Ocean Common Carrier [Docket No. 22-24] <i>Keywords: Federal Maritime Commission (FMC)</i>	<u>30(90)</u>  <u>59648(89)</u>	FMC requires ocean common carriers to annually submit documented export strategies beginning 03/01/25.  FMC issues final rule defining unreasonable refusal to deal or negotiate on vessel space accommodations made by an ocean common carrier, effective 09/23/24.
Update  Update	10/16/24  10/03/22	Commission Contracts with National Academies for OSRA Mandated Chassis Study <i>Keywords: Federal Maritime Commission (FMC); Chassis</i>	<u>Report</u>  <u>Update</u>	NAS issues study and recommendations on chassis pools.  FMC announces contract with National Academies of Science to study chassis pools.
Request for Review	10/08/24	Request for Oversight Review of PierPass Program <i>Keywords: Ports</i>	<u>Letter</u>	NRF requests review of PierPass Program at Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles.
Final rule; announcement of effective date  Final Rule; Correction  Lawsuit  Final Rule	05/14/24  05/09/24  04/18/24  02/23/24	Detention and Demurrage Practices <i>Keywords: Ports; Shipping Act</i>	<u>41895(89)</u>  <u>39569(89)</u>  <u>Lawsuit</u>  <u>14330(89)</u>	FMC announces demurrage and detention invoice requirements received OMB approval and will take effect on 05/28/24.  FMC issues correction to final rule clarifying which entities may be billed detention and demurrage charges.  World Shipping Council files petition with U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit requesting review of detention and demurrage billing rule.  FMC issues final rule amending regulations governing demurrage and detention billing requirements.

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Decision	07/05/24	TCW, Inc. vs. Evergreen Shipping Agency & Evergreen Line Joint Service Agreement <i>Keywords: Ports; Chassis</i>	<u>Decision</u>	U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit rules in favor of Evergreen on detention and per diem charges.
Order	04/26/21		<u>Order</u>	FMC issues order for supplemental briefing in case regarding equipment detention and per diem charges.
Request for Information	04/16/24	Initiative to Improve Ocean Cargo Velocity <i>Keywords: Federal Maritime Commission</i>	<u>26881(89)</u>	FMC requests comments on questions related to transparency, data accuracy, and cargo availability. Comments due 06/17/24.
Request for Information	08/16/23		<u>55697(88)</u>	FMC requests comments on questions related to maritime data accessibility and accuracy.
Report	04/21/23		<u>Update</u>	Commissioner Bentzel issues report with Maritime Transportation Data Initiative final recommendations.
Final Rule	01/02/24	Carrier Automated Tariffs 46 CFR Part 520 [Docket No. 21-03] RIN 3072-AC86 <i>Keywords: Shipping Act</i>	<u>25(89)</u>	FMC modifies its rules governing Carrier Automated Tariffs, effective 02/01/24.