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Carriers Legal Liability Insurance

In view of the risks involved at every stage of operations of road transport, there is a need for the transport industry to take adequate and proper insurance cover.

This Policy provides cover for carrier's legal liability for damage to cargo in their care. Legal costs in defending the claim via the wording on the Consignment Note, or under Common Law, are paid by the Insurer. It is the only way to have full protection for losses arising from negligence attributable to the carrier or his employee.

Can railway authorities, air carriers and sea carriers be covered under the Carrier's Legal Liability Policy?

Railway authorities, air carriers and sea carriers can not be covered under the Carrier's Legal Liability Policy, since it is specially designed for lorry owners or transport fleet operators (road transits only)

Which legal liability of the transport contractor is covered under the Carriers Legal Liability Policy?

If the goods are not delivered to the owner safely or in case they are delivered in a damaged condition, the transport contractor is liable to compensate for the damages. This liability of the transport contractor arises both under Statute and Common Law. This legal liability of the contractor is covered under the Carriers Legal Liability Policy.

Salient Features of the rating structure of Carriers Legal Liability Policy are:-

BASIC COVER: Covers damage to cargo directly caused by fire, explosion or accident to the carrying vehicle, arising out of negligence or criminal act of the carrier or servants.

WIDER COVER:

- i) Damage to cargo as in Basic Cover.
- ii) Damage by fire, burglary, riot & strike damage affecting the goods at warehouse or transhipment yard, whilst in the custody of the carrier.
- iii) Shortage of goods due to theft or pilferage of cargo at any time whilst in the custody of the carrier.
- iv) Flood or water damage.
- v) Breakage, leakage, damage due to improper handling: