

# Cargo Handling Operations SOP

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

## Background

Produces a cargo-handling SOP for a terminal or stevedore — planning, loading and discharge, equipment and labour, safety and damage and documentation — for safe, productive operations. Use it to run cargo handling to standard.

## Purpose of this tool & output

Handle cargo safely and productively

## How the output is used

Use it to handle cargo safely and productively — a cargo handling operations SOP that balances speed, safety and cargo care.

## Important cautions

Cargo handling is high-risk (injury, cargo and vessel damage) and governed by port and safety rules; this is a template. Align with port and safety regulations and vessel and charter requirements and prioritise safety.

## Companion documents

- Port / Terminal Setup & Concession Guide
- Stevedoring & Shore-Handling Business Guide
- Terminal Operations & Productivity Guide
- Port PPP & Concession Structuring Guide
- CFS / ICD / Warehouse Setup Guide
- Port & Terminal Safety Programme

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