



Shipping lithium-ion cells in containers

The Cargo Incident Network System (CINS) has just released its "Guidelines for Shipping Lithium-ion Cells in Containers". The publication has been produced in collaboration with the International Group of P&I Clubs and the TT Club.

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The Guidelines provide shipowners, operators and carriers with safety standard guidance for the carriage of lithium-ion cells, classified under UN Nos. 3480 and 3481, in containers.

The Guidelines focus on the specific risks associated with shipping lithium-ion cells. Lithium-ion cells are the primary elements of a battery and are different from lithium-ion batteries in structure and configuration. The cells present a higher risk during transportation than new, non-waste lithium-ion batteries.

CINS Lithium ion cell guidelines