INCOTERMS® 2010

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SHIPPING RISK EXISTS

Lost/damaged containers

Over stacking material

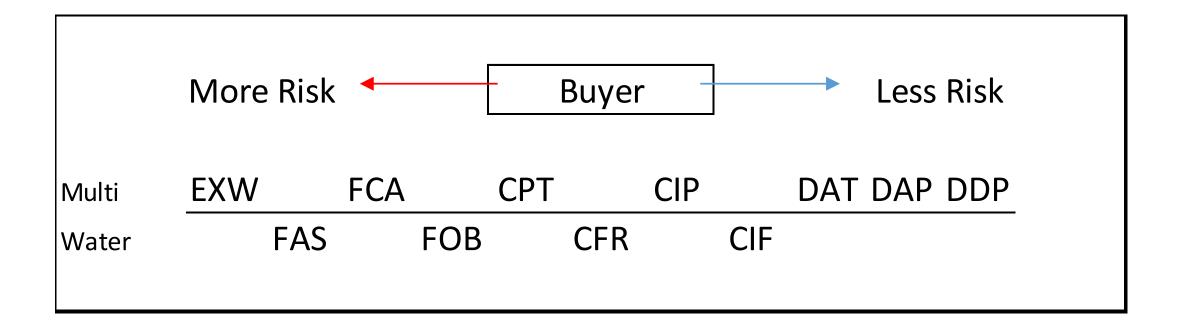
Crushing/damaging with forklift

Weather damage from improper storage

Truck accidents



INCOTERMS MITTGATE RISK





- Negotiate Incoterms to reduce risk
 - Every international transaction should have an Incoterm identified (don't forget Canada)
- Use Incoterms to understand incoming expenses/fees
- Tighten contract language to set expectations with vendor
 - Remember UCC & Incoterms are used differently

INCOTERM STRATEGY

Have a basic understanding and seek help when needed



- Understand what the unit adder is for shipping expenses included by the vendor
 - Ask for both an E and C/D Incoterm pricing
 - You my be able to contract for shipping cheaper

Be aware of import duties

- Free trade agreements exist but vendor must prepare documentation
- Use this knowledge to set vendor expectations in contract

WATCH OUT

These hidden areas can surprise



Don't forget to address vendor returns

- Who will pay for DMRs?
- Set the Incoterm expectation for DMR in contract
- Watch out for D&T when returning goods to foreign country

Take care with drop-shipments

- Work with sales personnel to match Incoterm expectation for destination customer.
- Watch out for D&T moving goods into foreign country (including Canada)

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