

# CANADA Daily News and Updates October 23rd 2024

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## Air Updates

### **Effective November 1: Transport Canada Pre-load Air Cargo Targeting (PACT) Program Data Requirements**

*From Air Canada*

Transport Canada's new PACT program improves security by identifying and mitigating high-risk air cargo shipments before they are transported into Canada, using advanced analytics in the risk assessment of pre-loading advance cargo information.

Air Canada is currently fully compliant with the upcoming mandatory PACT Program requirements. Air Canada will continue to submit the required data on your behalf to Transport Canada's PACT system, to receive authorization from Transport Canada authorities, before shipments are loaded onto the aircraft.

Effective November 1, to ensure your shipments move as booked, all mandatory data elements required for both the master air waybills and house air waybills need to be complete and accurate for each shipment at the time of tender.

Note: HS codes are not currently mandatory for PACT.

Data element	Description (MAWB and HAWB-level)
Shipper name	Individual or business shipper name
Consignee name	Individual or business consignee name
Shipper address	Individual or business email address
Consignee address	Individual or business email address
Pieces	Piece, box, skid count or SLAC (Shipper Loaded and Counted for shipments travelling to the United States).
Weight	Weight of shipment
Goods description	Provide detailed commodity descriptions. It must be a clear and concise description of an item. (For more information, click <a href="#">here</a> )
Air waybill number	Cargo control number (CCN)

## Ocean Updates

### Overtime Ban at Port of Montreal Goes On as 'Special Mediator' Is Rejected

Canadian shipping stakeholder hopes of a prompt resolution of the dispute at the Port of Montreal have been quashed, after Canadian Minister of Labour Steven MacKinnon's proposal for "special mediation" was rejected.

Last week, Mr. MacKinnon made a proposal to the Maritime Employers Association (MEA) and Montreal Longshoremen's union Local 375 to appoint a special mediator so the parties could "resume negotiations without any pressure tactics from either side, over a 90-day period."

But Mr. MacKinnon wrote on X yesterday: "The parties have been unable to reach an agreement," indicating that a mediator would therefore not be appointed.

But he urged: "They must find a path forward towards a negotiated settlement as quickly as possible," and added that he would "continue to closely monitor the situation."

Meanwhile, the overtime ban at the port that started on October 11 is set to last indefinitely.

Read more in an [article from The Loadstar](#).

The MEA in an [online update](#) said: "The time has come to determine the next steps with the support of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service."