



The United Nations, European Union and United States maintain lists of individuals and businesses that cannot be shipped to, because they are suspected of involvement in terrorist activity, or political sanctions are in place. These are referred to as **Denied Parties**.

We are bringing this issue to your attention as the legal implications of shipping to, or receiving from, a Denied Party are serious. The consequences can be up to a **seven year prison sentence and a fine of up to £1 million** for every shipment sent or received. The legal responsibility applies to everyone in the supply chain and with new legislation introduced in April 2017, increased powers to prosecute are now held by the **Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation** (OFSI), a part of HM Treasury. If you are found to be shipping to, or receiving from, a Denied Party you are at risk of prosecution.



As a responsible business, DHL wants to ensure that you and your business are protected. We would like to reassure you that **DHL has comprehensive Denied Parties screening processes in place. You can be confident that all shipments sent with DHL Express are screened against the Denied Parties lists.**

To enable DHL to accurately carry out this screening, we need your assistance in ensuring accurate and complete shipper and receiver address and contact details are provided on the waybill and any associated paperwork or invoices. The key to ensuring we can quickly perform this screening is to provide all contact names in full.

The majority of shipments are screened and processed immediately, without any impact on transit times. If further information is needed to clarify shipper or receiver identity, DHL's Customer Service team will contact the DHL account holder to ascertain the required information. This may result in shipment delays, however our aim is to promptly process shipments whilst still complying with these important legal regulations.

To put the severity of this requirement into context, instances of prosecutions globally include 20 year prison sentences for employees at four US companies, a \$1.19 billion fine for a telecoms company and a penalty of over \$232 million for an oil company guilty of facilitating trade with Iran and Sudan.

If you have questions regarding Denied Parties screening please contact your account manager.

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