

Is your logistics process  
*flowing* as easily as the  
beverages you transport?



Discover the WSSA Advantage

## We make global shipping affordable, efficient, and possible for all members.

**The combined buying power of WSSA reduces costs and expands opportunities for our wine and spirits industry members.**

The Wine and Spirits Shippers Association (WSSA) negotiates shipping contracts on behalf of importers and distributors in the wine and spirits industry. Our dedication to providing efficient and economical transportation by land, sea, or air, enables our members to tap into a global marketplace – efficiently and affordably.

WSSA was founded by the Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of America (WSWA) and the National Association of Beverage Importers (NABI) in 1976 as a shipping cooperative. Today, WSSA serves as a not-for-profit shippers' association that is managed by a board of industry executives. WSSA combines the total volume of its member shipments to achieve preferential rates and services from each of its carriers and vendors. These rates improve the opportunities for our members to compete in the global wine and spirits marketplace.

### **Our worldwide footprint:**

WSSA has nearly 600 member companies who import from all over the world. Our worldwide footprint spans across most major countries and we have partners in freight forwarding strategically placed near the busiest ports to ensure we coordinate each shipment seamlessly from A-Z.

### **Experience the benefits of WSSA membership**

WSSA was founded and is still directed by major beverage importers throughout the country.

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## You'll join for the rates, but you'll stay for the service!

WSSA has been negotiating preferential shipping rates for over 30 years. We have a network of service providers who are eager to serve our expansive membership base year after year. Our founders were and still are a geographically diverse group of beverage importers and distributors with a clear goal in mind: combine the purchasing strength of the industry to reduce importing costs. The continuing accomplishment of this objective has saved WSSA members over \$30,000,000 in freight costs.

[Request a Shipping Quote >](#)



## Global management where you need it

Members benefit from around the clock service for each and every shipment. Our footprint spans the globe with our strategic

placement of freight forwarding partners. We are able to be proactive by understanding local laws and regulations. Being local also allows us to respond quickly with solutions when the unexpected occurs. Rest assured; your shipment is being cared for even when you are asleep!

## We coordinate shipments, from A to Z

Enjoy the reliability that comes with a strong supply chain.

Our logistics team will manage every detail of your shipment from the moment we receive your purchase order. Your order will be entered into our freight management system and the details will be instantly communicated to each of our offices all over the world. Our freight forwarding team will step into action at product origin to contact the supplier and arrange all necessary details to ensure your order arrives as expected.

Throughout the entire import process you can count on receiving timely updates to alert you of estimated departure and arrival dates, case count changes, and routing information. You will also receive IFS data elements required for customs entry to assist your broker along the way.

Whether your shipment is door to door, port to port, or any variation in between, WSSA will provide prompt and reliable information to keep your supply chain flowing smoothly. We can manage a single import on your behalf or our reliable network of partners can act as your entire import department.

## Are you protected?

*Marine insurance isn't something shippers should have; it's something shippers must have.*

WSSA offers its members "All Risk" Marine Insurance for shipments by sea, land or air from anywhere in the world. Wine, Beer, Spirits and other select beverages as well as any related merchandise incidental to the business of the assured are covered in our policy. All risk coverage includes any normal transportation losses as well as those incurred from:

- Label Damage
- Heating/Freezing\*
- Mysterious Disappearance
- War, Riot, Strike, Terrorist
- Contamination
- Breakage
- Concealed Damage
- Shortage
- Return Goods
- Costs of Salvage
- Debris Removal
- Hurricane, Tornado, Flood, Earthquake

\* Temperature Controlled Containers are always protected against heating/freezing damage. Members can also take advantage of our Optional Temperature Coverage and benefit from the same heating/freezing coverage while shipping your beverages in a standard container with insulation.

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## Information Resource Center

WSSA is proud to be the "go to" resource center for the industry. We'll keep you informed of the latest breaking industry news, government regulations and industry causes affecting the wine, spirits and shipping market each day.

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## Measurable savings. Immeasurable satisfaction.

WSSA provides complete logistics management and a comprehensive marine insurance program unmatched by any others in the industry.

Our members can quantify the savings with each shipment but the commitment to personal service makes WSSA unique. Accurate rate analysis, effective order control, and reliable information are just a few of the valuable cost saving services we provide to improve supply chain efficiency.

- Low Freight Rates
- Superior Cargo Insurance
- Door to Door Logistics Management
- Economical Consolidation
- FCL and LCL Shipments
- Comprehensive Carrier Selection
- Competent Industry Spokesman
- Trusted Network: Brokerage, Trucking, Warehousing and more

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