CBAFF NZ Young Logistics Professional



Award 2024 Dissertation Information

1. Aim of the Dissertation

The Dissertation is an opportunity for the candidate to demonstrate a range of skills and qualities that are needed to pursue a successful career in international forwarding and supply chain logistics, as well as enhancing their competences and expertise. The Dissertation may be constructed as follows:

- Identifying a problem or business opportunity.
- Gathering relevant information on a specific situation.
- Identifying possible changes or enhancements for the benefit of the forwarder or the client.
- Evaluating the information and drawing one's own conclusions.
- Deciding what action should be taken.
- Making reasoned and costed recommendations.

*Important abilities and qualities to be demonstrated should include innovation and initiative.

2. The Dissertation topic

The Dissertation should include **one multimodal freight forwarding case**: a key import commodity/cargo from New Zealand or a key export commodity/cargo to New Zealand.

Candidates are expected to show initiative over the logistic supply chain of these cargoes.

3. Assessment criteria of the Dissertation

- Complexity of issues related to the cargo matter (e.g., bulk cargo, over-sized/overweight project cargo, time sensitive cargo, reefer and/or perishable goods, hazardous goods, but also including factors such as terms of sale, etc.).
- Complexity of issues relating to multimodal moves. Unimodal cargoes are not accepted.
- Difficulties to be overcome relating to cross-border issues, such as customs/bio security/ quarantine compliance, safety and security, regulatory guarantees, highway ordinances, etc.
- Complexity of specific regulatory issues faced during the logistic movement, including but not limited to security provision, pollution, and environmental issues.
- Risk management/insurance requirements for example, pilferage of cargo, declaration of General Average, leakage/spillage of cargo.
- Structure and reference (including the sources of your information).
- Approach to problem solving and methodology employed to overcome identifies issues.
- Quality of the conclusion.
- Overall presentation and construction.
- Additional marks will be awarded for the complexity of the problems overcome during this logistic move.
- The work should be original and produced by the candidate. The originality of the work may be verified with anti-plagiarism software.

4. Format



- Written in simple and concise business English, in the first person (e.g., "I reviewed the procedures").
- 2,000 words maximum. Abstract, Table of Contents, List of Abbreviations, List of Figures, References, and Appendices are excluded of the word count. Submissions containing more than 2,000 words will be marked down.
- Using a referencing system (such as Harvard, APA, or Chicago referencing system) when relying on material created by others, as to give proper credit, avoid plagiarism, and demonstrate appropriate awareness of existing knowledge.
- The Dissertation may include graphs, photographs, examples, etc.
- The candidate's name must not appear anywhere in the Dissertation.
- Page numbers must be included at the bottom of the pages.
- Include a table of content, listing of all headings, subheadings and appendixes

5. Submission of the Dissertation

The Dissertation must be emailed to admin@cbaff.org.nz by Monday 4 May 2023.

6. Additional information

In case of questions, please contact the Award Administrator at <u>admin@cbaff.org.nz</u>.