

ACRONYMS

an international non-government organisation that develops international standards for products, services and systems. In the logistics industry ISO standards help facilitate efficiency by creating standard coding, identification and marking of transit media such as shipping containers.

A contract prepared by the carrier containing a detailed list of information relating to a shipment of goods (i.e. item, quantity, value, date, port, cosigner, etc.), which obligates the carrier to transport the goods to said destination

A technique for optimizing the manufacturing process and improving inventory control by ensuring goods arrive just in time for the next step in the process.

s a warehouse that distributes goods outside of a company's internal supply chain or to it's retail estate.

A provider of outsourced logistics services, predominantly referenced to transport and warehouse providers who supply and/or manage logistics resources on behalf of their clients. Well-known 3PLs include DHL, XPO, Kuehne + Nagel and Ceva.

Additional services that a distribution center will perform in order to meet the needs of a client.

is the automated transfer of data between systems.

is a container shipping term indicating that the volume of the shipment is less than a full container. LCL loads are usually passed to a consolidator who then fills containers with multiple shipments and separates at the destination port.

is a generic term for a system that facilitates the key warehouse fulfillment activities, from goods receipt to storage, picking and despatch. The WMS will also manage sub-processes such as replenishment, inventory checks, resource management and quarantine.

is a method of identifying and tracking products and assets within the supply chain. An RFID tag contains electronically stored data which is read by strategically positioned readers using electromagnetic waves. RFID is considered an evolution

Read the definitions and choose an acronym from the list

WMS	RFID
CMR	ISO
EDI	JiT
VAS	DC
LCL	3PL