

Petro Broker Academy Oil Brokerage Fundamentals





Key Concepts and Terminologies in Petroleum Brokerage

C Objectives of the Chapter

In this chapter, the trainee will:

- Become familiar with the most important terms and abbreviations used in oil and gas trading
- Understand the role and meaning of each term in real-world contracts
- Learn to distinguish between types of products and their specifications
- Be prepared to interpret documents like ICPO, FCO, and CI

IN Common Terms and Abbreviations



ICPO

FCO

CI

SPA

DTA

TSR

Q&Q

POP

LOI

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Irrevocable Corporate Purchase Order

Full Corporate Offer

Commercial Invoice

Dip Test Authorization

Tank Storage Receipt

Proof of Product

Letter of Intent

Quantity & Quality Report

Sales and Purchase Agreement

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Abbreviation Full Form

Meaning

A buyer's official interest and intent to

purchase

Seller's official offer with detailed terms

The initial billing document issued by seller

The final legally binding contract

Permission for buyer to test product quality

Proof of product storage in seller's tank

Inspection document from SGS/CIQ

Documents proving seller has the product

Buyer's initial expression of interest

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Abbreviation Full Form		Meaning
BCL	Bank Comfort Letter	Bank's statement confirming buyer's funds
NCNDA	Non-Circumvention, Non-Disclosure Agreement	Confidentiality & anti-bypass contract
IMFPA	Irrevocable Master Fee Protection Agreement	Commission protection for brokers

U Types of Products in Oil Brokerage

Product Description

EN590 (Diesel) Ultra-low sulfur diesel (commonly traded)

Jet A1 Aviation fuel for jet engines



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Product	Description	
D2 Gas Oil	Low sulfur diesel fuel (older spec)	
Mazut (M100)	Heavy fuel oil	
D6 Fuel Oil	Virgin fuel oil, often used in ships	
LPG	Liquefied Petroleum Gas	
Crude Oil	Unrefined petroleum	

□ Understanding Product Specs

Each product has key specs that brokers should be aware of:

- Sulfur Content (e.g., 10ppm)
- Density @15°C
- Viscosity



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- Flash Point
- Origin & Port of Loading
- Packaging (Bulk, IBC, etc.)

Example:

EN590 Diesel 10ppm FOB Rotterdam

Gross: \$530/MT - Net: \$520/MT

Q Document Flow Basics

- 1. Buyer sends LOI or ICPO
- 2. Seller responds with FCO + CI
- 3. Buyer accepts and confirms ability to pay (BCL or proof)



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- 4. POP issued, dip test scheduled, SPA signed
- 5. Shipping and payment process initiated

Outcome of Chapter 2

By the end of this chapter, the trainee will:

- Know the essential terms used in oil trading
- Understand the basic sequence of documents in a transaction
- Recognize different types of fuel products and their specs
- Be ready to engage in document review and early-stage communication



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