



Air Cargo Charter

When Timing Is Everything, Experience Makes the Difference

When deadlines are tight, freight schedules don't fit, and critical deliveries can't wait—air cargo charter isn't a choice, it's a necessity. For over 30 years, we've been the trusted aviation specialists when failure isn't an option.





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About Fliteline

Three Decades of Mastering Cargo Logistics

For over 30 years, Fliteline has been the aviation partner companies turn to when standard freight solutions simply won't work. Founded in 1994 by genuine aviation enthusiasts in the heart of European aviation, we've built our reputation one successful cargo operation at a time—turning complex logistics challenges into reliable delivery solutions.

When we joined the Rhenus Group in 2007, we gained world-class logistics resources whilst keeping the personal, solution-focused approach that makes us different. We're not just processing cargo requests—we're solving supply chain challenges alongside people who genuinely understand both aviation and logistics.



Our Cargo Charter Heritage

Our story isn't just about moving freight—it's about understanding that behind every cargo charter is something critical. A production line that depends on urgent parts delivery. A humanitarian mission requiring immediate relief supplies. A pharmaceutical shipment where timing can mean the difference between life and death.

We've spent three decades learning what makes time-critical cargo operations successful: the right aircraft for your specific requirements, proactive coordination of every operational detail, and the kind of expertise that only comes from people who genuinely care about your cargo reaching its destination safely and on time.

Why Cargo Specialists Choose Fliteline

Deep Logistics Understanding

We coordinate the complete supply chain, not just the flight portion—from pickup through final delivery, including customs, ground handling, and regulatory requirements.

Global Network, Personal Touch

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Crisis Response Capability

We've coordinated successful operations during natural disasters, supply chain disruptions, and urgent business crises when standard freight simply couldn't respond fast enough.

Crisis Response Capability

Our team understands the specific requirements of pharmaceutical cold chains, oversized industrial equipment, humanitarian relief operations, and time-critical manufacturing support.



When our clients call with cargo challenges that seem impossible, we see it as an opportunity to find a pathway that works. That's not just our promise—it's what gets us excited about logistics coordination.

Ready to explore how charter solutions might work for your cargo requirements?

Let's begin by understanding exactly what makes air cargo charter essential for today's complex supply chains.



“What sets Fliteline apart is composure and speed. Our aircraft went technical just before departure, and they secured an alternative and kept the schedule intact. That kind of reliability earns confidence and repeat business.”

VP Operations, Pan-Regional Electronics Distributor



The Reality of Time-Critical Cargo

In today's connected world, reliable cargo movement keeps businesses, families, and vital services running. Yet, there are times when commercial solutions aren't fast or flexible enough for urgent or specialised shipments a common challenge for modern supply chains and critical operations that can't afford delays.

Critical Scenarios That Demand Cargo Charter

Production Line Crisis

When a factory line is at risk of stopping, missing parts can't wait on standard freight schedules. Just one delayed component can grind production and profits to a halt, disrupting deliveries and targets.

Medical Emergency Response

We've coordinated successful operations during natural disasters, supply chain disruptions, and urgent business crises when standard freight simply couldn't respond fast enough.

Humanitarian Crisis Response

Disasters and emergencies demand immediate action. Standard logistics can't reach remote or damaged areas quickly—but chartered solutions get aid and relief supplies wherever they're needed, fast.

Oversized Equipment Challenge

Some equipment simply doesn't fit the limits of regular freight. For oversized or specialized shipments, chartered aircraft offer the capacity and flexibility commercial carriers can't match.

Time-Critical Impact Statistics:

- 1 Manufacturing downtime costs average €2M+ per day in affected industries
- 2 Pharmaceutical cold chain failures affect approximately 25% of vaccines globally
- 3 Emergency response effectiveness drops significantly after the first 72 hours post-disaster
- 4 Industrial project delays from logistics failures can extend project timelines by months



Charter vs Other Freight Options

Understanding Your Freight Transport Decision

Not every shipment requires charter—but when it does, understanding your options ensures you make the right choice for your specific requirements. The key is recognising when commercial freight limitations create risks that outweigh cost considerations.

The reality is that different transport modes serve different purposes. Commercial freight works brilliantly for routine shipments with flexible timelines, but when timing becomes critical or requirements turn complex, the limitations become costly constraints rather than acceptable trade-offs.

The Hidden Costs of Freight Limitations

Comparison Factor	Air Cargo Charter	Air Cargo Charter	Air Cargo Charter	Air Cargo Charter
Speed	Same/next day delivery possible	Same/next day delivery possible	Same/next day delivery possible	Same/next day delivery possible
Flexibility	Complete route and timing control	Complete route and timing control	Complete route and timing control	Complete route and timing control
Handling	Specialised capabilities available	Specialised capabilities available	Specialised capabilities available	Specialised capabilities available
Cost	Premium pricing for urgent needs	Premium pricing for urgent needs	Premium pricing for urgent needs	Premium pricing for urgent needs
Capacity	Aircraft-specific but dedicated	Aircraft-specific but dedicated	Aircraft-specific but dedicated	Aircraft-specific but dedicated
Security	Complete shipment control	Complete shipment control	Complete shipment control	Complete shipment control

Time–Critical Impact Statistics:

Understanding Your Freight Transport Decision

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Timing is absolutely critical

Production lines depending on parts delivery, medical emergencies, or disaster response where hours matter more than costs.
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Cargo requires specialised handling

Temperature-controlled pharmaceuticals, dangerous goods, or oversized industrial equipment that commercial cargo simply cannot accommodate.
- 3

Destinations aren’t served commercially

Remote locations, challenging airfields, or restricted access areas where scheduled freight doesn’t operate
- 4

Security and confidentiality are paramount

High-value goods, sensitive prototypes, or classified materials requiring complete chain of custody control
- 5

Standard freight has failed

When commercial delays have already caused problems and you cannot afford another failure

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“When a shipment looks unworkable, we get curious. We map constraints, unlock options, and build a route that holds under pressure. It’s more than a commitment—it’s the thrill of logistics done right.”



A large white cargo aircraft with blue and yellow stripes, identified as an Antonov 124-100M, is shown on a tarmac. The main cargo door is open, and a red crane is visible in the background. The aircraft has "INTERNATIONAL CARGO TRANSPORTER" written on its side, along with contact information and a Ukrainian flag.

Solutions for Every Cargo Challenge

Choosing the right air cargo charter means matching your cargo's specific needs with the ideal aircraft and solution—because the best results come from tailored approaches, not one-size-fits-all services

Express Charter: When Every Hour Counts

Ideal for: Critical production parts, medical emergency supplies, legal documents, and urgent prototypes that can't wait for standard delivery.

Aircraft Selection: Light jets and small freighters rapid to deploy, able to use smaller airfields, with flexible routing options.

Key Advantages: Same-day or next-day delivery, direct routes without hub delays, priority handling, and round-the-clock coordination.

Project Charter: Coordinated Multi-Shipment Operations

Ideal for: Multi-shipment projects, construction, events, and ongoing supply chain support that require coordinated deliveries over time.

Aircraft Selection: Medium to heavy freighters, like Boeing 737s and Airbus A300s with the right mix of capacity and range.

Key Advantages: Cost savings, consistent teams, project-aligned schedules, and dedicated management.

Heavy lift Charter: When Size and Weight Matter Most

Ideal for: Oversized machinery, aerospace parts, oil & gas equipment, and construction materials that can't fit standard cargo.

Aircraft Selection: Specialized freighters like the Antonov An-124, Boeing 747F with nose-loading, and Ilyushin Il-76—built for heavy, outsize loads.

Key Advantages: nose, side and rear loading , expert weight planning, ground equipment coordination, and experience with complex cargo

Temperature-Controlled Charter: Protecting Sensitive Cargo

Ideal for: Pharmaceutical products, medical supplies, perishable goods, chemical products, biological materials

Aircraft Selection: Freighters with active temperature control, from small cooled planes to large multi-zone systems.

Key Advantages: Continuous temperature tracking, rapid emergency response, minimal exposure with direct routing



Dangerous Goods Charter: Handling for Regulated Materials

Ideal for: Chemical products, lithium batteries, radioactive materials, industrial gases, explosive materials, toxic substances

Aircraft Selection: Certified operators with aircraft adapted for dangerous goods, safety equipment, and specially trained crews.

Key Advantages: Regulatory compliance expertise, certified loading, documentation, and coordination with authorities

Remote Operations Charter: Reaching the Unreachable

Ideal for: Shipments to remote sites, offshore platforms, disaster zones, and areas without established air infrastructure

Aircraft Selection: STOL aircraft and helicopters capable of short, unpaved, or improvised runway operations

Key Advantages: Accesses remote or damaged locations, connects air and ground/sea logistics, and operates in extreme conditions

Choosing the Right Cargo Charter: A Practical Approach

How to Match Your Real-World Needs with the Best Air Charter Solution for Reliable Results

Choosing the right cargo charter starts with a clear-eyed look at your requirements—not just selecting the biggest or fastest aircraft. Ask yourself: what exactly needs to move, how urgent is the delivery, and what happens if it's delayed? These answers help pinpoint whether you need rapid express service, specialized handling, or solid, dependable transport

It's not just about the flight, consider the full journey, including ground transport, customs, and team coordination at the destination. Planning for possible disruptions, like weather or regulatory changes, ensures your solution includes back-up options. Ultimately, charter success comes from matching your real needs with the right approach—delivering your cargo on time, every time, and keeping your operation on track.

Industries We Serve & Use Cases

Proven Solutions Across Critical Industries

Different industries face unique cargo challenges that demand specialised knowledge, meticulous planning, and proven end-to-end coordination. From temperature-controlled pharmaceuticals and urgent AOG parts to oversized energy equipment and humanitarian relief supplies, every mission has its own handling, routing, and regulatory profile. We've delivered across diverse sectors where timing, handling, and reliability aren't just important they're absolutely critical to operations and, in many cases, to protecting livelihoods and lives.

Manufacturing & Industrial Operations

Manufacturing companies face high stakes in cargo logistics. A halted production line due to missing parts can cost over £2M per day, eroding margins and disrupting customer commitments. We arrange urgent deliveries of components, equipment, and machinery to keep operations running smoothly and prevent costly downtime compounding.

Key Challenges: Production line shutdowns, just-in-time delivery requirements, oversized equipment transport

Energy & Oil/Gas Operations

Energy sector operations often occur in challenging locations where standard freight services cannot reach effectively. Whether supporting offshore platforms, remote drilling sites, or renewable energy installations, we coordinate specialised transport solutions for critical equipment and emergency supplies with proven offshore access expertise.

Key Challenges: Remote location access, heavy equipment transport, emergency maintenance support

Pharmaceutical & Medical

The pharmaceutical industry requires absolute precision in cargo handling. Studies show that approximately 25% of vaccines globally are compromised by cold chain failures, underscoring the need for robust monitoring and compliance. We specialise in temperature-controlled transport ranging from -80°C to +25°C, ensuring life-saving medicines reach their destinations with complete integrity and regulatory confidence.

Key Challenges: Cold chain maintenance, regulatory compliance, emergency medical supply deployment

Humanitarian & Emergency Response

Most lives are saved within the critical first 72 hours after a disaster. We work closely with NGOs, government agencies, and relief organizations to deliver essential supplies fast—when timing truly means the difference between life and death in devastated communities.

Key Challenges: Rapid deployment, challenging destination access, multi-agency coordination



Technology & Electronics

Technology companies require secure, reliable transport for sensitive equipment and high-value components. From prototype transport requiring complete confidentiality to time-critical deliveries supporting product launches, we coordinate solutions that protect valuable cargo and maintain strict deadlines with end-to-end visibility and enhanced chain-of-custody controls.

Key Challenges: High-value cargo security, time-sensitive launches, complex customs requirements

Automotive Manufacturing

The automotive industry's just-in-time production model means even small delays can have cascading effects throughout manufacturing networks. To maintain sequencing precision and avoid costly stoppages, we coordinate urgent component deliveries, prototype transport, and production support that keeps vehicle manufacturing on schedule and within budget.

Key Challenges: Just-in-time production support, prototype confidentiality, global supply chain coordination

Understanding Industry-Specific Requirements

Each sector we serve has developed unique requirements based on their operational realities. Our experience across these industries means we understand not just the cargo requirements, but the business contexts that drive urgent transport needs. When you work with specialists who understand your industry's specific challenges, solutions become more effective and coordination becomes more reliable.

Aircraft Types & Capabilities

The Right Aircraft for Your Cargo

Choosing the right aircraft isn't just about finding available space; it's about matching cargo-specific requirements with capabilities that ensure safe, efficient delivery. Different cargo demands different solutions, and our experience helps navigate these choices confidently.

Aircraft Selection Considerations

Cargo Specifications

Understanding your cargo's exact dimensions, weight, and centre of gravity helps us select aircraft with appropriate door sizes, loading capabilities, and weight distribution requirements, avoiding acceptance issues and ensuring compliant, safe load planning end-to-end.

Special Requirements

Temperature-controlled environments, dangerous goods certifications, livestock accommodations, or oversized cargo loading capabilities require specific aircraft configurations and certified operators, including compliant procedures, trained staff, and approvals for regulated shipments.

Route and Infrastructure

Airport runway lengths, ground handling capabilities, and fuel availability at origin and destination airports all influence aircraft selection and operational planning, affecting payload limits, routing options, and turnaround feasibility across the mission.

Timeline and Flexibility

Urgent requirements might favour smaller, more readily available aircraft, whilst planned operations can utilise larger, more cost-effective solutions with advance positioning and pre-arranged slots to streamline deployment windows.



Light Aircraft (Up to 2 tonnes)

Ideal for: Urgent small shipments, critical documents, medical samples, spare parts.

Examples: Cessna 208 Caravan, Pilatus PC-12, Dornier 228

Key advantages: Rapid deployment to remote or smaller airfields, cost-effective for small urgent loads, and short takeoff and landing capabilities.



Regional Turboprops and Small Freighters (2 to 10 tonnes)

Ideal for: Regional cargo including perishables, pharmaceuticals, and time-sensitive parts.

Examples: ATR 42/72, Dash 8 Q400, Fokker 50

Key advantages: Efficient for short to medium haul routes, versatile cargo configurations, and a good balance between payload and operational cost.



Narrowbody Freighters (10 to 30 tonnes)

Ideal for: Standard cargo shipments, regional and intercontinental routes requiring reliable service.sensitive parts.

Examples: Boeing 737-800BCF, Airbus A320P2F

Key advantages: Cost-efficient for medium-haul routes, widely available, supports quick turnarounds and high-frequency operations.



Widebody Freighters (30+ tonnes)

Ideal for: Large volume shipments, outsize cargo, and long-haul international freight.

Examples: Boeing 747-8F, Airbus A330-200F, Boeing 777F

Key advantages: High capacity, long range, ability to carry outsize and heavy cargo, and efficient for global network operations.

Unlocking Successful Cargo Journeys: Why the Right Aircraft Choice is Critical

How Expert Aircraft Selection Prevents Delays, Ensures Operational Efficiency, and Delivers Safe, Reliable Results for Every Cargo Mission

Global Reach & Local Expertise



As part of the Rhenus Group, we access an extensive network of 970+ locations worldwide, providing comprehensive coverage across all major markets and challenging destinations alike. This isn't just about having offices in different countries—it's about having trusted teams who understand local regulations, customs procedures, and operational realities.

What this means for your cargo:

- Seamless coordination from pickup through final delivery
- Expert handling of complex customs and regulatory requirements
- Reliable support in remote locations where standard freight services struggle
- Local language capabilities and cultural understanding for smooth operations



“Fliteline’s ability to handle the unexpected with grace sets them apart. When our original aircraft went technical at the last minute, they had a replacement solution within 90 minutes. That’s the kind of reliability that builds lasting partnerships.”

Chief Operations Officer, International Mining Corporation

Ready to Discuss Your Cargo Requirements?

Whether you’re facing an immediate logistics crisis or planning future time-critical operations, we’d be happy to discuss how charter solutions might support your requirements.

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For Strategic Planning Consultations:

When you contact us, having these details ready helps us provide more accurate initial recommendations:

- **Cargo specifications:** Dimensions, weight, special handling requirements
- **Timeline requirements:** When cargo needs to depart and arrive
- **Origin and destination:** Including any airport access limitations
- **Regulatory considerations:** Dangerous goods, customs requirements, security **protocols**

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