

New regulations for verifying container weights

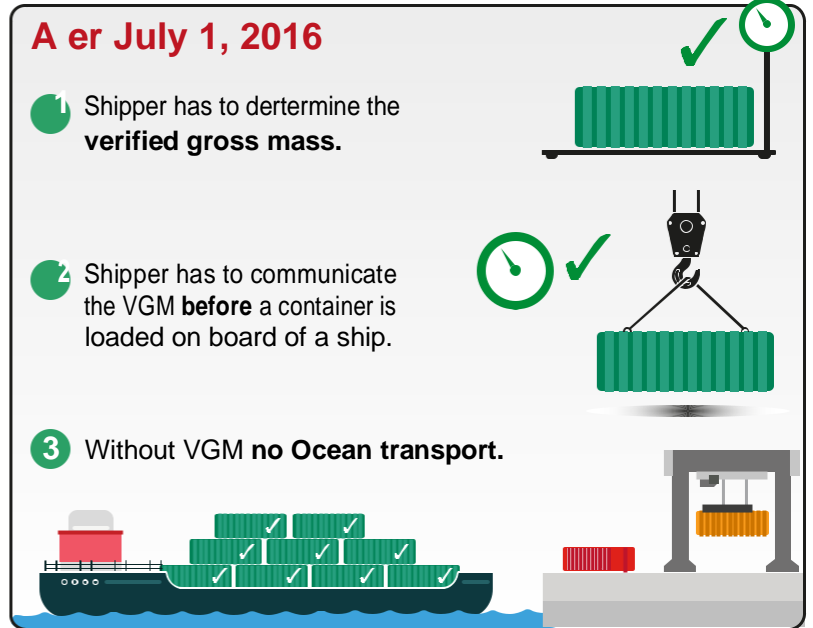
Requirements from SOLAS convention of IMO



Before July 1, 2016

Shipper is obliged to communicate the net weight of the container to the shipping company.

In practice, often based on **estimated weights**

After July 1, 2016

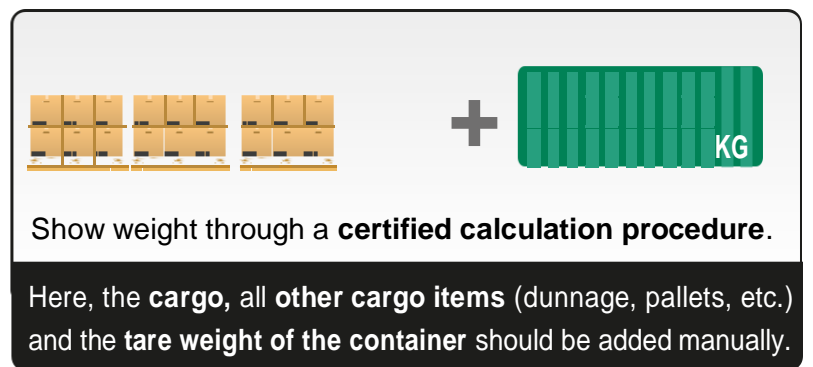
- 1 Shipper has to determine the **verified gross mass**.
- 2 Shipper has to communicate the VGM **before** a container is loaded on board of a ship.
- 3 Without VGM **no Ocean transport**.

How do I verify container weight?



Weigh on a **certified** and **calibrated** weighbridge.

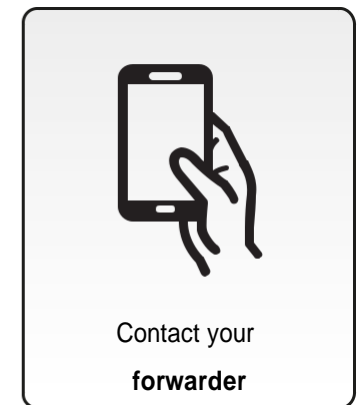
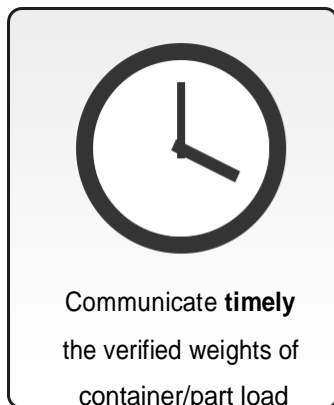
or



Show weight through a **certified calculation procedure**.

Here, the **cargo**, all **other cargo items** (dunnage, pallets, etc.) and the **tare weight of the container** should be added manually.

What does this mean for me as a shipper?



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