

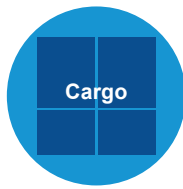
# Verified Gross Mass



PACKING MATERIAL + SHIPPED GOODS + CONTAINER TARE WEIGHT = VGM



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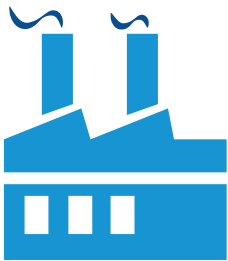


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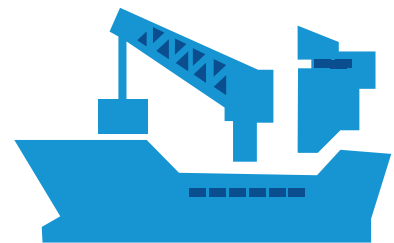


## COMMON PROCESS

Shipper



Shipping Company



### METHOD 1

After packing and sealing a container, the shipper or a designated third party may weigh the packed container, using calibrated and certified equipment, according to the accuracy standards set for the equipment being used.



### METHOD 2

The shipper or third party may weigh all packages and cargo items, including pallets, dunnage and other packing in the container and add the tare weight of the container to that sum.

## EMBASSY FREIGHT POLICY

- Verified Gross Mass means the total gross mass of a packed container as obtained by one of the methods described in paragraph 5.1 of the IMO SOLAS Guidelines.
- The Verified Gross Mass not only consists of the weight of all packaging and cargo, but also the tare weight of the container, as well as any lashing material/equipment.
- The actual shipper needs to provide the Verified Gross Mass (VGM).
- A container will not be loaded on the intended vessel unless a shipper provides the VGM of that container to Embassy Freight Rotterdam BV in a correct and timely manner. ( NO VGM = NO Load).
- A container with a gross mass exceeding its maximum permitted gross mass indicated on CSC plate (the safety approval Plate under the international Convention for Safe containers) will not be loaded on to a ship.

- The actual VGM cut-off time will vary per country / port / terminal. For Embassy Freight Customers the VGM cut-off date will be mentioned on the booking confirmation.
- Any charges resulting from a) non-submission of VGM b) a late submission of VGM and c) incorrect data of VGM will be for shippers or principals account
- For more information, please visit the Embassy Freight Rotterdam website <http://www.embassyfreight.nl/en/news/>
- Should you have any questions please contact Embassy Freight Rotterdam BV