

# A NEW REGULATION FOR A SAFER SUPPLY CHAIN

VERIFIED GROSS MASS EFFECTIVE FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2016

In November 2014, the International Maritime Organization adopted an amendment to the Safety of Life at Sea convention (SOLAS) regarding mandatory container weight verification. The amendment applies to all member states who will, in turn, adopt it into their own national law. Each country will provide its own guidelines for the implementation.



## 1. The Situation

Today, weight declarations of loaded containers are not always accurate. This leads to an increased risk of accidents throughout the supply chain.



## 2. The Challenge

From July 1st 2016, Shippers will be required to provide the Verified Gross Mass (VGM) of each shipment to their ocean carrier and the terminal operator. It remains the shippers' responsibility to obtain and provide the VGM in accordance with local government guidelines and before the carrier's cut off.



## 3. The Implication

SOLAS rules state that if a Shipper fails to provide a VGM to the ocean carrier and the terminal operator, the container cannot be loaded on-board the vessel. In this case, the Shipper is accountable for any additional charges. Shippers may authorise a third party to provide the VGM, however, shippers remain responsible for the process.



## 4. Weight Definition

VGM is determined by using the following methods:

Method 1: Weighing the packed container once all cargo has been loaded & sealed in to the container.

Method 2: by calculating the weight of the cargo (including packaging), dunnage and the container tare.

MSC recommend that shippers keep a record of VGM's for requests by authorities.



## 5. Empty container weight (container tare weight)

The container tare weight can be checked in two ways:

- The tare weight is physically printed on the outside of the container doors
- In the case of method 2, the container tare weight lookup on [myMSC.com](http://myMSC.com)



## 6. Worldwide Procedures

Procedures will vary by country, please see attached document with the relevant information.

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## 7. VGM Receiving Policy

Accepting the U.S. Coast Guard's declared equivalency, whereas they have confirmed that the existing terminal weighing practice for on-dock scales in the United States is compliant with SOLAS regulation, all U.S. marine terminals are now allowed to use their certified scales to record the VGM.

MSC accepts the "Terminal Weighing Approach" to derive a compliant VGM for loading.

## 8. What to include in your VGM instructions

The following items are mandatory and must be on all VGM instructions:

- Booking or Bill of Lading number
- Container number
- VGM + weight measurement unit (lbs. or kgs.)
- Responsible Party Name
- Digital Signature of the authorized signatory in all CAPITAL LETTERS.

## 9. How to submit your VGM instructions

- myMSC.com (Free of Charge)
- EDI (via INTRA; GT NEXUS; Cargo Smart)
- Manually (via INTRA; GT NEXUS; Cargo Smart)
- Fax: 908-605-2619; e-Mail: [vgmusa@msc.com](mailto:vgmusa@msc.com)
- The email will only be monitored for VGM declarations; policy questions should be directed to the toll free number: 1-800-222-3367

## 10. Deadlines for sending your VGM instructions

MSC prefers to receive a Shipper-Verified Gross Mass (VGM) before cargo is delivered to avoid any unexpected weighing charges be levied

against the cargo at the US Port of Load which will be billed to the Shipper of Record.

Any Shipper of Record signed VGM will override any VGM derived at or by the terminal.

For Truck Delivery the ultimate deadline for VGM submission will be 12 pm NOON local time the day of the cargo cut-off.

Currently, there are no US terminals with a "NO VGM – No GATE" policy.

For "Rail Shipments", MSC will create a VGM by adding the submitted rail billing (ISCTA) request weight to the container tare weight. MSC will replace a rail billing VGM with a shipper submitted VGM upon receipt, up until the VGM cutoff at the POL. MSC is NOT responsible for any charges that may arise by using the rail billing weight as a VGM, in the event we did not receive a VGM from the shipper to replace it.

Late Gates will be considered for approval with the submission of an estimated weight, by the Shipper of Record before Noon, local time, the day of the cargo cut-off. The estimated weight will be replaced by the Terminal Weight as the VGM, in the absence of a Shipper Submitted VGM.

## 11. MSC Admin Fees and costs

- Manual VGM Submission Fee (applies to email, fax, and inclusion on standard shipping instructions): \$25 per container
- Late VGM Submission Fee: \$25 per container
- VGM Mis-declaration Fee: \$300 per mis declaration, per container.

## 12. Contact information

SOLAS VGM Customer Service: 1-800-222-3367

# MSC USA COMPLETE VGM TERMINAL GUIDE

|                        |                     |                     |                  |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Boston                 | New York – PNCT     | New York – APM      | Philadelphia     |
| Baltimore              | Norfolk             | Charleston          | Savannah         |
| Jacksonville           | Port Everglades     | Miami               | Tampa            |
| New Orleans            | Mobile              | Houston             | Freeport (Texas) |
| Los Angeles – Pier 400 | Long Beach – Pier A | Long Beach – Pier T | Oakland – OICT   |
|                        | Oakland – T46       | Seattle             |                  |

## GENERAL POLICY PROVISIONS – ALL US PORTS OF LOAD

- Accepting the U.S. Coast Guard’s declared equivalency, whereas they have confirmed that the existing terminal weighing practice for on-dock scales in the United States is compliant with SOLAS regulation, all U.S. marine terminals are now allowed to use their certified scales to record the VGM.
- MSC accepts the “Terminal Weighing Approach” to derive a compliant VGM for loading.
- MSC prefers to receive a Shipper-Verified Gross Mass (VGM) to avoid any unexpected weighing charges be levied against the cargo at the US Port of Load.
- Only in the absence of a Shipper Submitted VGM will MSC assume the weight derived from the terminal gate scale will replace the VGM.
- The Shipper of Record on the Bill of Lading is legally responsible for the VGM regardless of derivative method used. Therefore, if the Shipper of Record, or “Responsible Party”, chooses to apply their own VGM, this is acceptable, and as such, we ask for the VGM before Noon, local time, the day of the cargo cut-off.
- For any export shipments transiting the rail, MSC will create a VGM with the [ISCTA compliant] weight declared on the rail billing request, by adding that weight to the container’s tare weight. MSC will replace this VGM with a shipper declared VGM, as long as the VGM is received before the VGM cut off for that POL.
- MSC is not responsible for any charges that may arise from using rail billing weights as a VGM, including but not limited to weight discrepancies, documentation requirements, or EDI failures.
- Late Gates will be considered for approval with the submission of an estimated weight, by the Shipper of Record before Noon, local time, the day of the cargo cut-off. The estimated weight will be replaced by the Terminal Weight as the VGM, in the absence of a Shipper Submitted VGM.
- Weighing Service charges are set, and assessed by the terminals. Any inquiry into the amounts charged for weighing service should be address to that terminal’s public tariff.
- MSC USA will not be making “Terminal Scale VGM’s” available to shippers in any way. By utilizing the “Terminal Weighing Approach”, you are nominating the terminal as your “Weighing Agent”, and there for accepting services directly from them. Any inquiry into those services should be addressed to the terminal directly.



## POL: Boston

### Terminal: Conley

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A<br>N/A        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are not billed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | N/A               |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: N/A</li> </ul> </li> </ul>    | N/A<br>N/A<br>N/A |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: mymsc.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3<sup>rd</sup> Party</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>  | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off</li> </ul>   |                   |



## POL: New York

### Terminal: APM

|   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?   | YES                              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>   | YES                              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | Charge Applies<br>Charge Applies |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fees are suspended until 9/20, pending an APM assessment period.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | TERMINAL                         |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?  | YES                              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: VGM must be on file before driver reaches the gate</li> <li>RAIL: VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | TRUCK<br>RAIL                    |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?   |                                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>   | FREE<br>\$25/cntr                |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?   | YES                              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fees suspended until 9/20, pending an APM assessment period.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                      |                                  |



## POL: New York

### Terminal: PNCT

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|---|-----------------------|
| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?   | YES                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>   | YES                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | N/A<br>Charge Applies |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>  | HOLD                  |
| ↳ Your container will be placed on hold and you will be billed by the terminal.   |                       |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?  | YES                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | YES<br>N/A<br>RAIL    |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?   |                       |
| ↳ All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party  | FREE                  |
| All manual channels: e-mail, fax  | \$25/cntr             |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?   | YES                   |
| ↳ Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off  |                       |



## POL: Philadelphia

### Terminal: Packer Ave

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A<br>N/A        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| ↳ You are not billed.  |                   |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: N/A</li> </ul> </li> </ul>    | N/A<br>N/A<br>N/A |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                   |
| ↳ All digital channels: mymsc.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party   | FREE              |
| All manual channels: e-mail, fax   | \$25/cntr         |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES               |
| ↳ Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |                   |



## POL: Baltimore

### Terminal: Seagirt

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A       |
| ↳ You are not billed.  |           |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: N/A</li> </ul> </li> </ul>    | N/A       |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |           |
| ↳ All digital channels: mymsc.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party   | FREE      |
| All manual channels: e-mail, fax   | \$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES       |
| ↳ Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |           |



## POL: Norfolk

### Terminal: VIG & PMT

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | N/A       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A       |
| ↳ You are not billed   |           |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: <b>VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A       |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |           |
| ↳ All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party   | FREE      |
| All manual channels: e-mail, fax   | \$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | ALL       |
| ↳ Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |           |



## POL: Charleston

### Terminal: Wando & NCMT

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are not billed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | N/A               |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: No Fee</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A               |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: mymsc.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3<sup>rd</sup> Party</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>  | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off</li> </ul>   |                   |



## POL: Savannah

### Terminal: Garden City

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are not billed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | N/A               |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: <b>VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A               |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: mymsc.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3<sup>rd</sup> Party</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>  | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off</li> </ul>   |                   |



## POL: Jacksonville

### Terminal: Tallyrand & Blount Island

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| ↳ You are not billed.  |                   |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: N/A</li> </ul> </li> </ul>    | N/A               |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: mymsc.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3<sup>rd</sup> Party</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>  | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES               |
| Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |                   |



## POL: Port Everglades

### Terminal: Port Everglades Terminal

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| ↳ You are not billed.  |                   |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: VGM must be on file before the VGM Port Cut Off</li> <li>RAIL: VGM must be on file before the VGM Port Cut Off</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A               |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus 3<sup>rd</sup> Party</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>   | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | ALL               |
| Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |                   |





## POL: Miami

### Terminal: POMTOC

|  |           |
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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A       |
| ↳ You are not billed.  |           |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: N/A</li> </ul> </li> </ul>    | N/A       |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |           |
| ↳ All digital channels: mymsc.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party   | FREE      |
| All manual channels: e-mail, fax   | \$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES       |
| Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |           |



## POL: Tampa

### Terminal: Tampa Container Terminal

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A       |
| ↳ You are not billed   |           |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: No Fee</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A       |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |           |
| ↳ All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party  | FREE      |
| All manual channels: e-mail, fax   | \$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | ALL       |
| Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |           |



## POL: Mobile

### Terminal: Mobile Container Terminal

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?   | YES  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>   | YES  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | Charge Applies<br>Charge Applies   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>↳ Fees are suspended until 9/30, pending an APM assessment period.</li> </ul> |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?  | YES  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: VGM must be on file before driver reaches the gate</li> <li>RAIL: VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | TRUCK<br>RAIL  |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?   |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>↳ All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus 3<sup>rd</sup> Party</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>  | FREE<br>\$25/cntr  |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?   | YES  |
| Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off  |  |



## POL: New Orleans

### Terminal: Napoleon & Nashville Ave

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A<br>N/A           |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>↳ You are not billed.</li> </ul>  |                      |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: No Fee</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A<br>TRUCK<br>RAIL |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                      |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>↳ All digital channels: mymsc.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus, 3<sup>rd</sup> Party</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>  | FREE<br>\$25/cntr    |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES                  |
| Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |                      |



## POL: Houston

### Terminal: Bayport and Barbour's Cut

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|--|-------------------|
| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are not billed</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: No Fee</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A               |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>  | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES               |
| Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |                   |



## POL: Freeport, TX

### Terminal: Velasquez

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are not billed</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: N/A</li> </ul> </li> </ul>    | N/A               |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>  | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES               |
| Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |                   |



## POL: Long Beach

### Terminal: Pier A

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|---|-------------------|
| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>   | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | N/A<br>N/A        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Charge</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Charge</li> <li>RAIL: <b>VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A<br>RAIL       |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?   |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>   | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off</li> </ul>  |                   |



## POL: Long Beach

### Terminal: TTI

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|---|-------------------|
| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>   | NO                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | N/A<br>N/A        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Charge</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   | N/A               |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?  | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: VGM must be on file before driver reaches the gate</li> <li>RAIL: <b>VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | TRUCK<br>RAIL     |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?   |                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus</li> <li>All manual channels: e-mail, fax</li> </ul>   | FREE<br>\$25/cntr |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?   | YES               |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For late gate requests, VGM MUST be received by 4pm, the day of the local cargo cut.</li> </ul> <p><b>TTI has imposed a strict "No VGM – No Load" policy, any container rolled for no VGM will incur a \$60, terminal levied, "No VGM Fee". While the terminal's gate weight can be used as a VGM, any fees arising from its reliance will be the responsibility of the Shipper of Record. (due to booking/container switching, mis-returns, etc...)</b></p> |                   |



## POL: Los Angeles

Terminal: APM

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|---|----------------------------------|
| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?   | YES                              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>   | YES                              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | Charge Applies<br>Charge Applies |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>  | N/A                              |
| ↳ Fees are suspended until 9/30, pending an APM assessment period.  |                                  |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?  | YES                              |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: VGM must be on file before driver reaches the gate</li> <li>RAIL: VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | TRUCK<br>RAIL                    |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?   |                                  |
| ↳ All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus   | FREE                             |
| All manual channels: e-mail, fax  | \$25/cntr                        |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?   | YES                              |
| ↳ Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off  |                                  |



## POL: Oakland

Terminal: OICT & T46

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| Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule?  | YES        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is there a charge for this service?</li> </ul>  | NO         |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How much does the terminal weighing service cost?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cargo arriving by truck:</li> <li>Cargo arriving by rail:</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A<br>N/A |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How am I billed?</li> </ul>   | N/A        |
| ↳ You will not be billed   |            |
| Can I use my shipper declared VGM?   | YES        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUCK: No Fee</li> <li>RAIL: No Fee</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | N/A<br>N/A |
| How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?  |            |
| ↳ All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus  | FREE       |
| All manual channels: e-mail, fax   | \$25/cntr  |
| Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory?  | YES        |
| ↳ Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off   |            |



# POL: Seattle

## Terminal: TTI

Will I be able to use the terminal gate weight as my VGM, following the equivalency rule? YES

- Is there a charge for this service? NO
- How much does the terminal weighing service cost?
  - Cargo arriving by truck: N/A
  - Cargo arriving by rail: N/A
- How am I billed? N/A

↳ No Charge

Can I use my shipper declared VGM? YES

- Will I avoid the terminal's weighing fees if I elect to use my own VGM?
  - TRUCK: VGM must be on file before driver reaches the gate TRUCK
  - RAIL: **VGM must be submitted by the POL VGM cut off.** RAIL

How can I submit my shipper declared VGM?

- ↳ All digital channels: MyMSC.com, INTTRA, CargoSmart, GT Nexus FREE
- All manual channels: e-mail, fax \$25/cntr

Are there circumstances where a shipper supplied VGM will be mandatory? YES

- ↳ Utilization of approved late gates will require receipt of estimated weight by cargo Cut Off

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