

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
रेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
( रेलवे बोर्ड RAILWAY BOARD )

No. 2008/TT-III/73/8

Rail Bhavan, New Delhi, dt. 01.07.2008

**The General Managers,**  
All Indian Railways

**Sub: Haulage charges recoverable for movement of containers in privately owned wagons.**

- 1.0 In supersession of letter No.2006/TT-III/73/12 dated 11.10.2006, sanction of Ministry of railways is accorded for levy of haulage charges as per the rules and rates prescribed herein under. These charges will be payable by all operators including CONCOR to Indian railway for container traffic.
- 2.0 **Haulage charges of container trains**  
It has been decided that:-
  - 2.1 There shall be a single uniform rate for both domestic and EXIM container traffic. The rates are based on the payload of the containers including the weight of containers. The rates are given in Rate Table at Annexure-I
  - 2.2 The rates for haulage charges mentioned in the Rate Table are the base rates. Surcharges like busy season surcharge, busy route surcharge etc., wherever applicable, will be leviable to all types of container traffic as per extant rules.
  - 2.3 Empty containers, when moved in privately owned wagons shall be charged at 65% of the rates for loaded single deck 20 Tonnes container rate. The rates for haulage of empty containers are given in column 5 of the Rate Table at Annexure-I.
  - 2.4 In case of Double stack container train operation in privately owned wagons, containers in the upper stack, whether loaded or empty, shall

be charged at 50% of the normal rate and lower stack containers will be charged as per normal tariff.

- 2.5 Privately owned empty flat wagons shall be charged at 60% of the rates for loaded single deck 20 Tonnes container rate. The rates for privately owned empty flat wagons are mentioned in coloumn 6 of the Rate Table.
- 2.6 There shall be no recovery from operator for maintenance of wagons.
- 2.7 All extant Commercial Rules in vogue regarding levy of punitive charges for overloading, penalty for mis-declaration, weighment etc. will be applicable to the container traffic, provided it is not in contravention with any instruction mentioned herein under.
- 2.8 The haulage charges for container trains shall be payable to the Railways for a minimum number of wagons, depending upon the type of stock, as given in the table below. For all purposes, one wagon shall be treated as equivalent to two TEUs. The composition of rake should not be more than standard composition given below:

<b>Type of Stock</b>	<b>Minimum composition for charge</b>	<b>Standard composition for charge</b>
<b>BLCA</b>	40 wagons = 80 TEUs	45 wagons = 90 TEUs
<b>BLLA</b>	35 wagons = 70 TEUs	40 wagons = 80 TEUs
<b>Other</b>	30 wagons = 60 TEUs	35 wagons = 70 TEUs

### **3.0 System for charging**

- 3.1 The rates for haulage charges for loaded containers (TEUs), Empty containers and Empty flat wagons owned by operators are given in the enclosed Rate Table at Annexure –I.
- 3.2 The haulage charges will be calculated for
- (i) The actual number of loaded containers, subject to a minimum of 2 TEUs per wagon.
  - (ii) The actual number of empty containers, subject to a minimum of 2 TEUs per wagon.

(iii) The actual number of empty flat wagons in the rake.

3.3 If the total number of wagons in a rake is less than the minimum composition prescribed above, haulage charges for the short fall in the number of wagons shall be calculated at the rates prescribed for empty flat wagons.

3.4 To arrive at the total haulage charges for each train, all the haulage charges calculated separately, as per para 3.2 and 3.3 above, will be added together.

#### 4.0 **Hub and Spoke system**

Operator can operate Hub and Spoke system for transportation of containers in certain regions for which the system of documentation and calculation of haulage charges would be as follows:-

4.1 Hub is a container loading facility/depot, which will be used by an operator to aggregate/disseminate traffic. For this purpose the operator may make a request to Railway indicating the pairs of station between which he will run his container trains via this hub. **Depending on operational feasibility and ensuring that this feasibility is not used by operator to get undue benefit of telescopic rate, the hub will be approved and notified to the Railway Administration by the Railway Board. No benefit may be given unless a Hub is notified by Railway Board.**

4.2 The Originating point will clearly indicate on the Railway Receipt (RR) whether the container will go directly to the destination or will move via a specified hub.

4.3 The haulage charges for the loaded container will be charged from the originating point to the destination point for the entire distance of actual haulage via the specified "hub".

4.4 For the loaded/empty container transhipped at the "hub", a subsequent RR with "zero" freight will be prepared for the distance from the hub to the destination, duly cross-referring the original RR and the originating point on the subsequent RR.

4.5 The RR for recovery of haulage charges will be prepared by Railway

Staff posted at ICD/port/railway terminal on the basis of summary given by the operator of ICD indicating weight of consignment including the tare weight of container.

**5.0 Commodities restricted for movement by containers**

- 5.1 Ores, Minerals, Coal and Coke will be the **Restricted Commodities** for movement by containers.
- 6.0 The above rates will come into effect from 1.08.2008 and shall be valid upto 31.12.2008.
- 7.0 This Issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate in the Ministry of Railways.

  
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**Railway Board**

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Chief Commercial Managers, all Indian Railways.  
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All Container Train Operators.

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**New Delhi, dated 01.07.2008**

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**RATE TABLES  
FOR  
HAULAGE CHARGES FOR CONTAINER TRAFFIC**

w.e.f. 1.8.2008

Distance	LOADED CONTAINER			Empty Container	Empty Flat Wagons*
	Single Deck			Single Deck	Haulage rate in terms of per TEU rate
	Haulage Rate per TEU upto 20 T	Haulage Rate per TEU above 20T& upto26T	Haulage Rate per TEU above 26T	Haulage Rate per TEU	
(Kms)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1 - 50	2011	2155	2229	1307	1207
51 - 100	2397	2745	2893	1558	1438
101 - 150	2783	3336	3557	1809	1670
151 - 200	3170	3926	4222	2061	1902
201 - 250	3555	4517	4886	2311	2133
251 - 300	3942	5107	5550	2562	2365
301 - 350	4330	5698	6215	2815	2598
351 - 400	4718	6288	6879	3065	2830
401 - 450	5099	6879	7543	3314	3059
451 - 500	5485	7469	8208	3565	3291
-	-	-	-	-	-
501 - 550	5874	8060	8872	3818	3524
551 - 600	6258	8651	9536	4068	3755
601 - 650	6643	9241	10201	4318	3986
651 - 700	7035	9832	10865	4573	4221
701 - 750	7418	10422	11529	4822	4451
751 - 800	7808	11013	12194	5075	4685
801 - 850	8194	11603	12858	5326	4916
851 - 900	8577	12194	13522	5575	5146
901 - 950	8999	12784	14187	5849	5399
951 - 1000	9452	13375	14851	6144	5671
-	-	-	-	-	-
1001 - 1050	9905	13965	15515	6438	5943
1051 - 1100	10358	14556	16180	6733	6215
1101 - 1150	10810	15146	16844	7027	6486
1151 - 1200	11263	15737	17508	7321	6758
1201 - 1250	11716	16327	18173	7615	7030
1251 - 1300	12169	16918	18837	7910	7301
1301 - 1350	12622	17508	19501	8204	7573
1351 - 1400	13075	18099	20166	8499	7845
1401 - 1450	13528	18689	20830	8793	8117
1451 - 1500	13981	19280	21494	9088	8389
-	-	-	-	-	-
1501 - 1550	14434	19870	22159	9382	8660
1551 - 1600	14887	20461	22823	9677	8932
1601 - 1650	15340	21051	23487	9971	9204
1651 - 1700	15793	21642	24152	10265	9476
1701 - 1750	16246	22232	24816	10560	9748
1751 - 1800	16699	22823	25480	10854	10019
1801 - 1850	17152	23413	26145	11149	10291
1851 - 1900	17604	24004	26809	11443	10562
1901 - 1950	18057	24594	27473	11737	10834
1951 - 2000	18510	25185	28138	12032	11106

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
2001 - 2050	18963	25775	28802	12328	11378
2051 - 2100	19416	26366	29467	12620	11650
2101 - 2150	19869	26956	30131	12915	11921
2151 - 2200	20322	27547	30795	13209	12193
2201 - 2250	20775	28137	31460	13504	12465
2251 - 2300	21228	28728	32124	13798	12737
2301 - 2350	21681	29318	32788	14093	13009
2351 - 2400	22134	29909	33453	14387	13280
2401 - 2450	22587	30500	34117	14682	13552
2451 - 2500	23040	31090	34781	14976	13824
-	-	-	-	-	-
2501 - 2550	23493	31681	35446	15270	14096
2551 - 2600	23946	32271	36110	15565	14368
2601 - 2650	24398	32862	36774	15859	14639
2651 - 2700	24851	33452	37439	16153	14911
2701 - 2750	25304	34043	38103	16448	15182
2751 - 2800	25757	34633	38767	16742	15454
2801 - 2850	26210	35224	39432	17037	15726
2851 - 2900	26663	35814	40096	17331	15998
2901 - 2950	27116	36405	40760	17625	16270
2951 - 3000	27569	36995	41425	17920	16541
-	-	-	-	-	-
3001 - 3050	28022	37586	42089	18214	16813
3051 - 3100	28475	38176	42753	18509	17085
3101 - 3150	28928	38767	43418	18803	17357
3151 - 3200	29381	39357	44082	19098	17629
3201 - 3250	29834	39948	44746	19392	17900
3251 - 3300	30287	40538	45411	19687	18172
3301 - 3350	30740	41129	46075	19981	18444
3351 - 3400	31193	41719	46739	20275	18716
3401 - 3450	31645	42310	47404	20569	18987
3451 - 3500	32098	42900	48068	20864	19258
-	-	-	-	-	-

\* The haulage charges for empty flat wagons/underload running shall be calculated at two times the per TEU rates, taking one wagon as equivalent to 2 TEUs in each case.

Notes:-

- (1) Rate in the above tables are published for distance upto 3500 kilometers. The rates for distances beyond 3500 Kilometers will be calculated by adding to the rates for 3500 kilometers the amount of variation between the rates in the distance slabs of 3401-3450 and 3451-3500
- (2) Double stack container rates are for BLC/BLL stock of 60 Tonne CC
- (3) Rates for 40 feet containers will be 1.8 times the rates for a TEU
- (4) Haulage rate per TEU upto 20 Tonnes, 26 tonnes and above 26Tonnes includes weight of containers also