

**(भारत सरकार) GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
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**(रेलवे बोर्ड) RAILWAY BOARD**

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**The General Manager**  
**All Indian Railways**

**Sub.:- Introduction of monthly based system of calculating excess empty distance travelled over and above the loaded distance in case of LSFTO, SFTO and LWIS rakes.**

Ref.:- 1. FM Master Circular/LSFTO/2020/0 issued vide letter No. 2020/TC(FM)/4/12, dtd. 16.03.2020.

2. FM Master Circular/SFTO/2018/0 issued vide letter No. 2016/TC(FM)/4/12, dtd. 02.07.2018

3. FM Master Circular/LWIS/2018/0 issued vide letter No. 2016/TC(FM)/4/12, dtd. 02.07.2018

Para 'C' of Annexure-C of LWIS policy, Para 10.5 of SFTO policy and para 11.5 of LSFTO policy regarding levy of empty freight on LWIS/SFTO/LSFTO rakes, is hereby modified as under-

Existing Provision	Modified Para
(Para 'C' of Annexure-C of LWIS policy, Para 10.5 of SFTO policy, and para 11.5 of LSFTO policy as referenced above)	
No freight will be charged for the movement of empty rake to the next destination provided the distance travelled by the empty rake is less or equal to the distance travelled by the train before unloading. However, if the distance travelled by the empty rake is more than the loaded distance, then for additional distance travelled by the empty rake over and above the loaded distance, empty freight will be charged at 50% of loaded freight for public tariff on carrying capacity of the wagons.	<p>No freight will be charged for the empty movement if the total loaded run of a rake during a calendar month is more than or equal to the total empty run of the rake during the same period. However, if the distance travelled by the empty rake during a calendar month is more than the loaded distance, then for additional distance travelled by the empty rake over and above the loaded distance, empty freight will be charged at 50% of loaded freight of the highest class of commodity transported during the month on public tariff on carrying capacity of the wagons.</p> <p>For the purpose, total empty/loaded movement will be calculated on the basis of RRs generated during the said calendar month.</p> <p><b>Note:-</b> As per existing provisions, the minimum distance for charge shall be 100 km.</p>

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2. Illustration – Rake has 3 loading pts (X, Y, Z) and one unloading pt (A) and does 06 loadings in a month

**Distance:** X to A = 350 KM, Y to A = 700 KM, Z to A = 500 KM.

Let the movement of the rake during a month (say January 2024) be as under:-

Date	From	To	Distance (km)	Loaded/empty
1.1.2024	X	A	350	Loaded
3.1.2024	A	Y	700	Empty
6.1.2024	Y	A	700	Loaded
10.1.2024	A	Z	500	Empty
12.1.2024	Z	A	500	Loaded
14.1.2024	A	X	350	Empty
17.1.2024	X	A	350	loaded
20.1.2024	A	Y	700	empty
23.1.2024	Y	A	700	Loaded
25.1.2024	A	Z	500	Empty
28.1.2024	Z	A	500	Loaded
31.1.2024	A	Y	700	Empty

Then following will be the charging with new methodology:

- Total loaded distance during calendar month = 350+700+500+350+ 700+500= 3100 km,
- Total empty distance during the month = 700+500+350+700+500+700 = 3450 km
- Excess empty over loaded during the month = 3450-3100 = 350 km
- Empty charging to be calculated for 50% of 350 = 175 km

3. CRIS is requested to make suitable changes in FOIS at the earliest under intimation to this office.

4. The scheme shall initially be valid for a period of one year from the date of implementation in the system or till further orders whichever is earlier.

5. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

  
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