

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA/BHARAT SARKAR
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS/RAIL MANTRALAYA
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. TC-I/2010/108/4(Clarf)

New Delhi, dt. 06 .09.2013

Chief Commercial Manager
Western Railway
Mumbai

Sub: Overloading in wagons-Penalty for overloading at originating points

Ref: (i) Board's letter No.TC-I/2010/108/4 dt.16.09.2011 (Rates Circular No.32 of 2011)

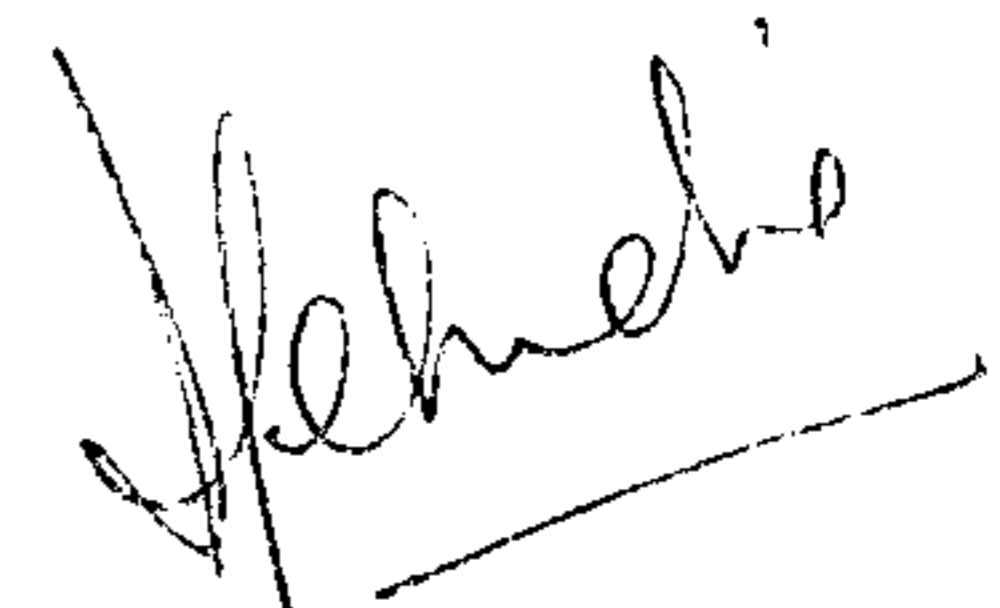
(ii) Board's letter No. TC-I/2010/108/4(Clarf) dt.23.08.2012

Please refer to WR's letter No.C353/2Vol.XI dt.21.08.2013 wherein *inter alia* referring to the observation of Traffic Accounts, Railway has sought a clarification regarding levy of Detention Charge as prescribed vide Rates Circular No.32 of 2011.

The matter has been examined. WR has mentioned that multiple weighments are performed by the party on their weighbridges before preparation of RRs and Traffic Accounts has raised debits on account of Detention Charge for the load adjustment carried out by the party in their siding after weighment on their own weighbridge.

In terms of RC-32 of 2011, a penalty of Rs. 5,000/- as Detention Charges per overloaded wagon is leviable in case of detention of a rake after weighment warranting load adjustment at the originating station in case of detection of overloading at originating point. Further, vide Board's letter dt.23.08.2012, it has been clarified that this charge would be leviable if the rake comprising of overloaded wagon/wagons after weighment is offered to the Railways for booking and detained for offloading/adjustment of consignment.

From the Railway's reply, it appears that the weighment and load adjustment is carried out by the party prior to offering the rake to Railways for booking. In this case, the clarification given vide Board's letter dt.23.08.2012 is relevant which clearly stipulates that Detention Charge would be leviable if the rake comprising of overloaded wagon/wagons after weighment is offered to the Railways for booking and detained for offloading/adjustment of consignment.



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