GENERAL SOP VGM FOR JOHOR









AMENDMENTS TO SOLAS CHAPTER VI, PART A, REGULATION 2 - VERIFIED GROSS MASS (WEIGHT)

Summary of SOLAS VGM regulation change:

- 1. A <u>shipper</u> must <u>verify the gross mass of a container</u> by either *one of two methods*:
 - I. Weighing the container after it has been packed using calibrated and certified equipment or
 - II. Weighing all the cargo and contents of the container and adding those weights to the container's tare weight using a certified and approved method.
- 2. The <u>shipper</u> must <u>ensure</u> that the <u>verified gross mass</u> is stated in the <u>shipping document</u> and submitted to the <u>ship master and terminal operator</u> for stowage planning.
- 3. If the **verified gross mass is not obtained** by the ship master and terminal operator, the **container cannot be loaded** on the ship.



ILLUSTRATION OF METHOD UNDER SOLAS

METHOD 1

Take a loaded container over a **weighbridge**, subtract the weight of the truck, chassis, and fuel to get the weight of the packed container.



Scales must be certified and calibrated in line with the national standards of the country where the weighing occurred and Method 2 is subject to national certification and approval.

METHOD 2

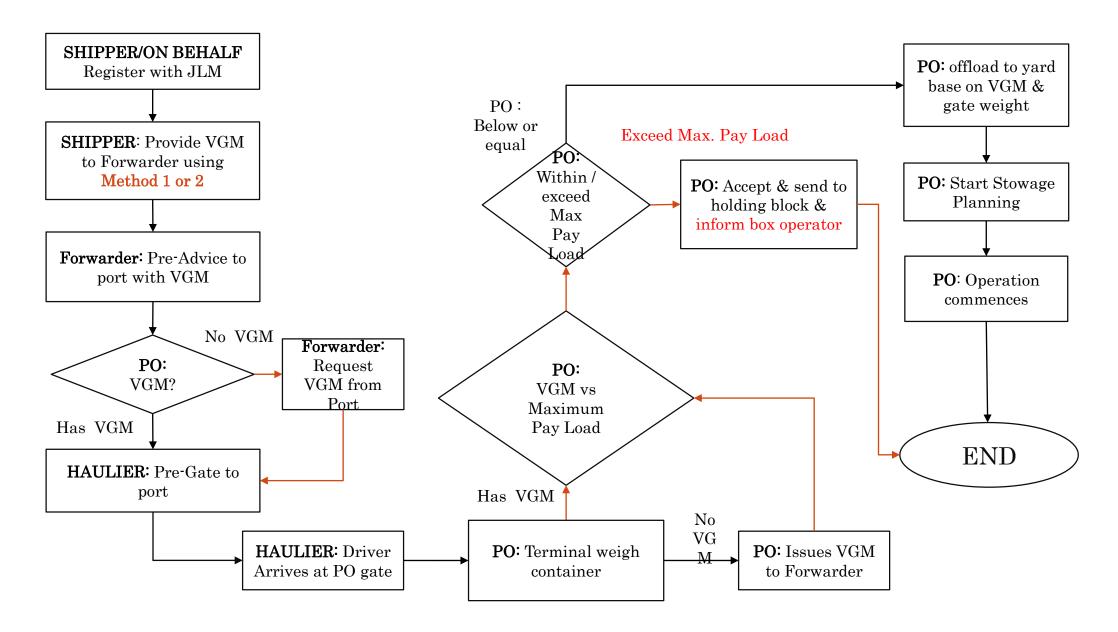
Weigh each item - including its packaging, palleting, dunnage and other packing and securing materials - going into the box.

Add that sum to the weight of the container to find the weight of the packed container.





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