

New International Requirement "Weight of Shipping Containers"

Dear Atmus Supplier,

Effective July 1st, 2016 amendments to the International Convention for the safety of life at sea (SOLAS) chapter VI, part A, regulation 2, adopted by the International Maritime organization (IMO) will require the verification of the gross mass of packed containers for all shipping by ocean transportation.

IF you are shipping containers overseas for Atmus or packing containers to be shipped overseas for Atmus... important information

The shipper/supplier is responsible for providing an accurate "verified gross mass" for each packed container it tenders to the carrier. SOLAS requires that the container weight verification information be submitted sufficiently in advance of vessel loading to be used in the preparation of the ship stowage plan. The verified gross mass means the total gross mass of a packed container which can be obtained by one of the two approved methods:

Method #1: Using calibrated and certified equipment, the shipper (or a third party duly appointed by him) weights the packed container at the end of the stuffing in operation once the seal is affixed, using calibrated and certified equipment.

Method #2: the shipper (or a third party, by arrangement of the shipper) weighs all packages, cargo items, pallets, dunnage, and other packing and securing material and adds the tare mass of the container The total sum finally obtained is the weight to be provided.

IF you are shipping parts to Atmus that will travel overseas...for your information

We expect all suppliers to provide accurate shipping weight information. If your parts will be shipping overseas to Atmus facility, recognize that the shipper/Packer may need to weigh your package (method #2 above) and it would be useful if your shipping weight information is accurate.

IF you wish to learn more about this new regulation...

You may learn more by going to: http://www.worldshipping.org/industry-issues/safety/containers