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Newsletter

SOLAS/IMO Shipper's Certified Container Weight

Dear all,

Per CIFFA June 17th, 2016:

CIFFA Update of Terms & Conditions

Although paragraph 7 of the CIFFA Standard Trading Conditions as passed by membership in May 2010 clearly identifies the responsibilities of the Customer with regards to description of a shipment, the CIFFA national board of directors determined that a slight amendment to those STCs would more specifically address the new regulation.

The following text outlines the changes to paragraph 8 (A) of the CIFFA Standard Trading Conditions as approved by the membership at yesterday's Annual General Meeting held in Montreal. The change specifically addresses the SOLAS VGM requirement as the responsibility of the shipper.

"Without limiting the foregoing the Customer is responsible for timely communication of and warrants the accuracy of the verified gross mass (VGM) of the package(s) and or the transport unit and the identity of the duly authorized person so verifying. The customer shall maintain documentation evidencing measurement of VGM as required by law."

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