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Heavy Load Surcharge (HWS) Implementation North West India to North Europe (All Destinations) and Mediterranean (Israel only)

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Maersk is implementing the Heavy Load Surcharge (HWS) for 20’ containers with gross weight exceeding 22 metric tons for the scope of North West India to North Europe and Israel effective price calculation date on 1st Aug 2026.

The New tariff levels are as follows:

Origin	Destination	Effective Date	Equipment Size/Type	Rate	VGM Weight
North West India	North Europe (NEU/E3W)	1st Aug	20DRY	2,000	> 22 MT
North West India	Israel (MED/E4W)	1st Aug	20DRY	2,000	> 22 MT

Feedback

*North West India includes load ports Nhava Sheva, Mundra, Pipavav, and Hazira

The above rate is retrieved based on PCD*. PCD refers to the scheduled departure date of the first water leg at the time of booking confirmation for non-spot bookings.

*PCD = Price Calculation Date.

When Verified Gross Mass (VGM) exceeds the weight threshold, Heavy Load Surcharge will be triggered. The Verified Gross Mass (VGM) is the weight of the cargo including dunnage and bracing plus the tare weight of the container carrying this cargo.

Please note that this is applicable on contract bookings only.

- The above rates are also subject to other applicable surcharges, including local charges and contingency charges.
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