

KN VGM Portal

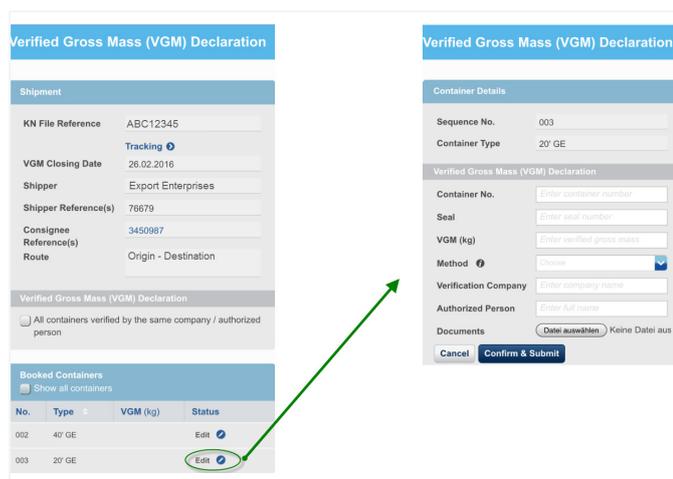
Helping shippers comply with SOLAS required VGM data

To help you comply with the new requirements of the SOLAS Verified Gross Mass (VGM) regulation that becomes effective worldwide on **1st July 2016**, Kuehne + Nagel has created a **seamless online tool** for reliable transfer of the required VGM data.

Our **KN VGM portal** makes it easy for you to manage and submit the VGM required information, as well as other data necessary for record keeping and shipment identification. Kuehne + Nagel's objective is to ensure that all customers' containers/cargo are shipped as scheduled and without disruption.

Upon booking a shipment, Kuehne + Nagel's "Booking Confirmation Document" will show a **QR Code for mobile devices** and a **URL for easy access to our VGM portal**. On the portal, you will be able to manage and submit the VGM required information, including dates and other data necessary for record keeping and shipment identification.

Internal system flags will allow Kuehne + Nagel to proactively monitor and manage customers' VGM information, relay it to ocean carriers electronically, and help ensure that all customers' cargo will be shipped as scheduled.



Kuehne + Nagel VGM Portal – mobile browser view

KUEHNE + NAGEL VGM FEE

The portal and additional procedures for Kuehne + Nagel to monitor and manage VGM data have resulted in additional investments and expenses.

Therefore, we will assess a **VGM fee of \$12.75 USD per container or LCL shipment**, respectively. If the VGM data is transmitted manually, additional charges may be assessed.

This fee includes a compensation liability for financial loss of out-of-pocket expenses such as demurrage, re-weighing and re-loading costs caused by cargo not loaded as scheduled due to error or omission of submission of the VGM data to carriers excluding events attributable to gross negligence and intent of the shipper. The maximum compensation amount for valid losses will be \$1,500 per shipment.*

REQUIRED DATA ELEMENTS

Depending on national requirements, Kuehne + Nagel as your freight forwarder and NVOCC, will require the information below in order to ensure that containers and LCL shipments will be shipped as planned:

- **VGM per container** (cargo weight, loading material/pallets/skids, dunnage, securing material, tare weight of container)
- **Signature** (name in capital letters for EDI) of person authorized by shipper and company details
- **Additional information** and/or documents, if any are required by relevant state (government) authorities

No verified weight means no loading. Estimating weight is not permitted. Shippers must use certified scale for weighing or arrange for weighing of packed container or its contents. Two permissible methods: (1) weigh the packed container or (2) weigh cargo and other contents, and then add tare mass of the container. Note shippers remain responsible for verified weight. "Shipper" means the party identified on the maritime carrier's Bill of Lading.

*Kuehne + Nagel reserves the right to change any terms of the compensation liability offered without notice.

For more information visit www.kuehne-nagel.com or www.worldshipping.org/industry-issues/safety/cargo-weight