USTRANSCOM Personal Property Advisory #21-0072

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From: USTRANSCOM Defense Personal Property Management Office (DPMO), Scott AFB, IL 62225

To: All Military Service Headquarters Representatives, Worldwide Personal Property Shipping Offices (PPSOs), Personal Property Processing Offices (PPPOs), and Department of Defense (DOD) Approved Transportation Service Providers (TSPs)

Subject: 2021 Crate Rate Increase and Liftvan/Packing Surcharge for Defense Personal Property System (DPS) Shipments

1. Due to the continuous rise of lumber prices, USTRANSCOM, in conjunction with the Services, have agreed to allow a crate rate increase, liftvan surcharge, and packing surcharge for shipments that have a requested pickup date of 15 May 2021 to 30 September 2021 at the time the shipment is offered and accepted by the TSP.

2. **Crate Rates:**
   2.1. Domestic - 105B crating increases have been adjusted to accommodate the increase in crating rates.
   2.2. International - 508C crating increases have been adjusted to accommodate the increase in crating rates.
   2.3. PPSO is required to use the business rules to determine if pre-approval is approved or denied.

3. **Packing surcharge:**
   3.1. Domestic - Packing increases have been adjusted in DPS to accommodate the increase in packing surcharge.
   3.2. International - $2.00 per cwt surcharge will apply for all COSs. Invoice utilizing Item Code 533A with EDI billing note. PPSO will deny the charge if EDI billing note is missing or not accurate.
      3.2.1. **EDI Billing Note Example:** Packing surcharge $2x75cwt=$150
   3.3. International shipments that have both surcharges (liftvan and packing), TSP will combine the two (2) surcharges using Item Code 533A with EDI billing note. PPSO will deny the charge if EDI billing note is missing or not accurate.
      3.3.1. **EDI Billing Note Example:** Liftvan surcharge $10x75cwt=$750 and Packing surcharge $2x75cwt=$150. Total combined surcharge $900.

4. **Liftvan Surcharge:**
   4.1. Domestic - $10.00 per cwt applies to the following:
4.1.1. All COS 2 shipments

4.1.2. All shipments moving to/from Alaska (COS D/2)

4.1.3. TSPs must invoice utilizing Item Code 226A with EDI billing note. PPSO will deny the charge if EDI billing note is missing or not accurate.

   4.1.3.1. **EDI Billing Note Example:** Liftvan surcharge $10x75cwt=$750

4.2. **International** - $10.00 per cwt for COS 4, 6, and T.

   4.2.1. TSPs must invoice utilizing Item Code 533A with EDI billing note. PPSO will deny the charge if EDI billing note is missing or not accurate.

   4.2.1.1. **EDI Billing Note Example:** Liftvan surcharge $10x75cwt=$750

   4.2.2. Shipments that have both surcharges (liftvan and packing), TSP will combine the two (2) surcharges using Item Code 533A with EDI billing note. PPSO will deny the charge if EDI billing note is missing or not accurate.

   4.2.2.1. **EDI Billing Note Example:** Liftvan surcharge $10x75cwt=$750 and Packing surcharge $2x75cwt=$150. Total combined surcharge $900

5. **Requested and Automatic Reweighs:** TSP is required to follow the reweigh business rules as outlined in the 400NG and IT. If a shipment is reweighed prior to delivery, and the shipment has a lesser weight, the TSP is required to refund that portion of the surcharge that was calculated on the higher weight.

6. The surcharge DOES NOT APPLY to local moves, Non-Temporary Storage Retrograde shipments, Direct Procurement Method, and One-Time-Only shipments.

7. TSPs are required to pass through any charges paid by the Government to the TSP person(s), corporation(s), HHGs carriers, HHGs freight forwarders, or other authorized TSP(s) that actually bears the cost for any shipment(s), or any portion thereof, transported under this guidance and IAW “Pass through requirements” listed in the 400NG and IT.

8. TSPs are only authorized to invoice the liftvan and packing surcharges one time per shipment.

9. Email questions relating to this advisory to transcom.scott.tcj9.mbx.pp-billings@mail.mil.

10. This message was approved for release by the Deputy Director for Operations, Defense Personal Property Management Office, (TCJ9-O).