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Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination (OHC/DHC) Tariff revision, from World to World, as of 1st November 2022

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Over the past months we have done our outmost to deliver your cargo whilst managing the current situation as best as possible. However, we are still experiencing a significant inflationary increase in overall operational costs in line with the global economic challenges.


Due to inflationary cost increases through 2022, the costs for handling cargo in terminals, have risen at an alarming rate since March 2022. Forecasters believe that inflationary costs will continue to rise through the remainder of the year as well as 2023¹. We understand that raising prices are adding to the economic burden, and it is not something we do lightly, but we hope for your understanding, given the global economic outlook.

To enable us to continue to connect your supply chain, Maersk wishes to advise you, that we will be revising the Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination (OHC/DHC) for both export and import globally, effective from 1st November 2022.


The tariff levels are as follows:

Fee	Cargo	Charge Basis	Tariff Levels	Scope	Effective Date
Terminal Handling charge - Origin / Destination	ALL	Per Container	Please refer to the country table for details	World to World	1st November 2022 PCD*

Tariff Levels



THC Change XLSX (508KB)



**PCD = Price Calculation Date. For non-FMC, PCD refers to the scheduled departure date of the first water leg at the time of booking confirmation for non-spot bookings. For FMC, PCD is the last container gate-in date for non-spot bookings. For Spot bookings, PCD refers to 1st vessel ETD at booking confirmation.*

We're revising tariff for Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination based on consumer price index development and recognize the challenge it brings on you, but hope for your understanding. Please find the information relevant to you by following the link in the table above or by reaching out to your Maersk sales representative.

We'd like to underline, that we appreciate doing business with you and we hope for your understanding given the economic circumstances. We look forward to continue working with you in the future.

[1International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook report April 2022](#) ;
[The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development 2022-2023 CPI forecast](#)

Frequently asked questions in connection with this global Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination (OHC/DHC) adjustment as of 1st November 2022:

Why does Maersk implement this Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase globally?

We have taken this decision in response to actual and anticipated inflationary cost increases through 2022 and forecasted to continue in 2023.

When would this Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase come into effective?

The Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase would be effective from 1st November 2022.

Would this Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase impact Spot or Twill bookings?

All bookings with floating surcharge structures would be affected by this new Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination tariff level from 1st November 2022.

My current contract with Maersk has Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination at floating level. Would this increase in Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination impact me?

Yes, the new Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination quantum will kick in effective from 1st November 2022.

I have a contract with Maersk valid until December 2023. Would this Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase impact me?

The Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase would have no impact to existing contracts with Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination rolled into the Basic Ocean Freight (BAS) or fixed at a value already.

My current contract with Maersk valid until December 2022 and we expect to have a new contract from January 2023. Would the Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase impact me?

For any new contract with effective date 1st November 2022 or thereafter, the Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination quantum would be based on the new tariff level, unless additional agreement made.

If current contract containing Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination at floating level, then the new Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination quantum would be applicable from 1st November 2022.

If current contract containing Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination fixed at a value or Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination rolled into basic ocean freight, there would be no impact.

My current contract with Maersk already has the Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination rolled into basic ocean freight, will this global Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase result in any contract revision?

The Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase would have no impact to existing contracts with Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination rolled into the Basic Ocean Freight (BAS) already.

I have some shipments are now on water and would arrive at destination after 1st November 2022. Will I be charged with the increased Terminal Handling Charge Destination?

The Terminal Handling Charge Origin / Destination increase would be applicable based on Price Calculation Date (PCD), which is either the scheduled departure date of the first water leg at the time of non-FMC booking confirmation, or the last container gate-in date for FMC booking. For any shipments that is already on water, the PCD would be before 1st November 2022 and hence increased Terminal Handling Charge Destination would not be applicable.

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