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### **Group Chairman's Factual Report**

# **STRUCTURES**

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### **Attachment 10**

**Boeing 747-400 Frangible Cargo Sample Calculations  
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# 747 400 Frangible Calculation

The frangible volume calculation assumptions:

- M Code Pallets (125x196)
  - 86" Height restriction forward of BA902
  - Gross Vol. = 125x86x125 = 543 cu ft.
- 96" High Pallets assume Gross Vol. = 613 cu. ft.
- TRC is centerline loaded, so the Effective Vol. = (.9)Gross Vol.
- Cumulative Effective Vol. is the effective volume of a position and all positions forward
- Cumulative Allowable Weight is the Allowable Weight calculated based on the Cumulative Effective Vol.

$$\text{Allowable Weight} = \frac{(\text{Effective Volume} - 6876.0)}{[(5.98786 \times 10^{-7}) \times \text{Effective Volume} + (6.57375 \times 10^{-4})]}$$

Position	Left	Right	GROSS Vol.	Effective Vo.	Cumulative Effective Vol.	Cumulative Allowable Weight**
A1	484		484	436	436	-7014111
A2	543		543	489	924	-4915377
B1		543	543	489	1413	-3633619
CL/CR	543	543	1086	977	2390	-2147542
DL/DR	543	543	1086	977	3368	-1311984
EL/ER	543	543	1086	977	4345	-776505
FL/FR	613	613	1226	1103	5449	-364140
GL/GR	613	613	1226	1103	6552	-70733
HL/HR	613	613	1226	1103	7655	148703

\* 543 cu. ft. is the volume for a M code pallet with an 86" height restriction applied.

\*\* Cumulative Allowable Weight Per D043U544-MASTER