



SHIPPING INFORMATION

To our overseas friends attending The Third European Healey Meeting!

We are very happy to see that so many “far away” Healey friends are planning to attend the **Third European Healey Meeting** in Sweden. There are numerous things to be organised and planned for since you are making a long trip, and the members of the organising committee will do its utmost to make things easier for all of you. One major thing to be looked into is how to get your cars into Sweden. There are questions like; How do I get my car here safely? How do I get it out from customs? What is the best and most economical way for us to get it here, container or roll-on / roll-off transport etc.

Our ambition is to get you first class treatment and help will all the above questions and we are happy to announce that we have selected a qualified shipping agent who can assist all of us with these matters. The best and easiest way for **all overseas** participants is to get your cars shipped to Gothenburg port in Sweden. Gothenburg port is on the West coast of Sweden and only approximately 1 hours driving distance from the Healey Meeting headquarters. You may think it is more economical to have containers shipped to Hamburg Germany, Rotterdam Holland etc, but we are sure that once you look at the freight numbers **plus** all the handling costs and other fees that Gothenburg will come out very good. Additionally, Gothenburg is a smaller port and easier to get around in vs. the HUGE ports in Rotterdam & Hamburg! The way it normally works in shipping is that you negotiate the best possible deal locally for freight to **Gothenburg Sweden**. The receiving party will be our official shipping agent who will unload the cars from the containers or get them off the ship, clear customs and provide you with loading & return freight. This will be the best and most economical way of getting the shipping solved. Our strong recommendation is that you organise the shipping trough your local club and make **one person** responsible for all shipping matters. This way each member doesn't have to contact our agent for information, and will subsequently be easier for our agent. To deal with 50-60 individuals will prove very time consuming!

There are two options for you to consider; (1) Container transport or (2) Roll on – roll off transport. Our agent will advise you what the best option may be based on where you are shipping from but generally speaking the roll-on – roll off option will be the best one for North American participants. As you know there are plenty of boats loaded with Volvos, Saabs, Jaguars etc that sail fully loaded over to the US and empty back. The rates to Europe are fairly inexpensive. Many of you may feel that your cars are unprotected going on a vessel this way but I can only speak from personal experience; I shipped three cars from the US when I moved back to Sweden. One in container and two as roll on. The only one with any damage was the one in container! Visit any container port and you will understand why! You will not be able to get any fixed rates for shipping costs at this time. Freight is a commodity like oil, gas, gold etc. The rates changes on a daily basis so anything you get 16 months prior to the meeting should only be considered an indication. The final and firm price can only be fixed when the freight is booked.

I may sound like the “Shipping expert & guru” but I’m not! Therefore I’m very happy to announce that the club has a professional shipping agency that you can contact for more information:

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Nordtrafik is highly specialised in shipping of cars. The main bulk of their business is shipping cars from North America to Europe & Sweden, but they do have experience from other parts of the world as well. Of main importance is that they know all the paperwork around customs clearance and that will be a major issue to deal with!

We sincerely hope that this information will make your planning a little bit easier. We are of course happy to answer any questions you may have with regards to shipping or any other issues. With Gothenburg as the port you may now look into flights to Copenhagen Denmark. Flying to Copenhagen offers lower rates than going directly into Stockholm or Gothenburg Sweden. It’s very easy to get from Copenhagen airport by train to Gothenburg. There are also daily flights from Copenhagen to Gothenburg.

With best regards,
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