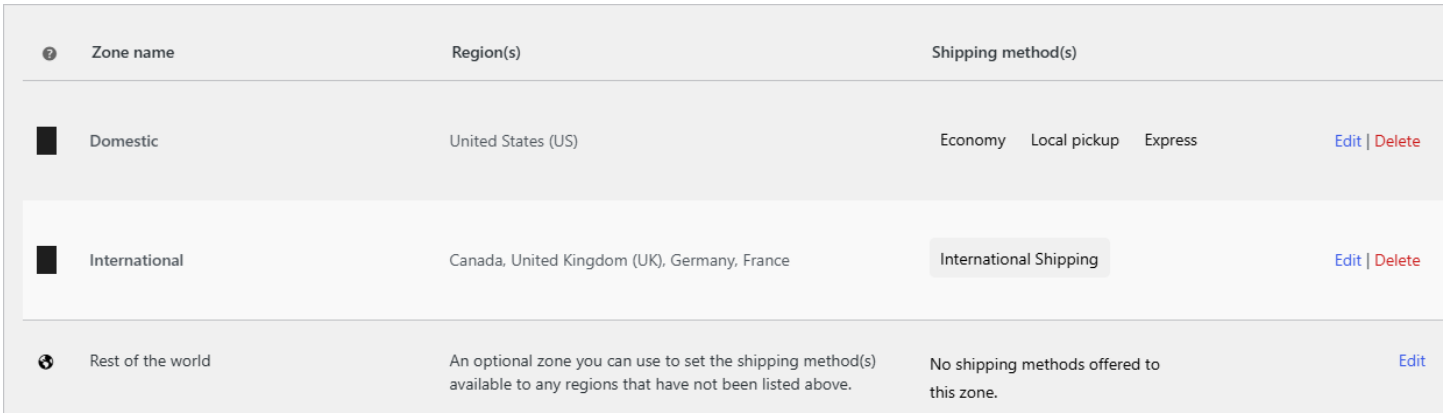
How to Set Different Weight-Based Shipping Rates per Zone or Country

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To set different weight-based shipping rates per zone or country, use Weight-Based Shipping for WooCommerce: go to **WPFactory > Weight-Based Shipping** (also reachable at **WooCommerce > Settings > Shipping**), create a zone per region, add the **Weight-Based Shipping** method to each zone, and give each instance its own tiers.

Why each zone gets its own rates

Weight-Based Shipping is a zone-based WooCommerce shipping method. Every time you add it to a zone, WooCommerce creates a separate instance with its own settings. Tiers, handling fee, free shipping thresholds and maximum weight are all stored per instance, so a domestic zone and an international zone share nothing. This works in every install; there is no Pro-only step.



Step 1: Create one zone per region

1. Go to **WPFactory > Weight-Based Shipping** (also reachable at **WooCommerce > Settings > Shipping**).
2. Add a zone for each region that needs its own prices, for example *Domestic*, *Europe* and *Rest of world*.

3. Set each zone's regions (countries, states or postcodes).

WooCommerce matches each customer address to one zone, checking zones from the top of the list down. Put the most specific zones first.

Step 2: Add Weight-Based Shipping to each zone

1. Open a zone and click **Add shipping method**.
2. Choose **Weight-Based Shipping** and confirm.
3. Click to edit the method, set a **Method Title** (for example *International Shipping*) and enter that zone's tiers.
4. Save, then repeat for the next zone.

Example: domestic and international tables

Weight range	Domestic zone cost	International zone cost
0 to 2	4.00	12.00
2 to 10	8.00	25.00
10 and up	15.00	45.00

You can also combine per-zone differences, for example a free shipping threshold on the domestic zone only, and a **Maximum Weight Limit** of 30 on the international zone only.

What can differ between zones

Label	Option ID	Per zone instance
Method Title	`title`	Yes
Weight Tiers	`tiers`	Yes

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Handling Fee, Handling Fee Type, Handling Fee Amount	`handling_fee_enabled`, `handling_fee_type`, `handling_fee_amount`	Yes
Free Shipping Weight Threshold, Free Shipping Cart Total Threshold	`free_shipping_weight`, `free_shipping_amount`	Yes
Maximum Weight Limit, Maximum Weight Exceeded Message	`max_weight`, `max_weight_message`	Yes
Weight unit	`woocommerce_weight_unit` (WooCommerce setting)	No, one unit for the whole store

Use cases

- Cheaper domestic rates and higher international rates from the same weight brackets.
- A remote-area zone (by postcode) with a higher table or a fixed handling fee.
- A weight ceiling only on zones where your courier caps parcel weight.

Troubleshooting

- **A customer sees the wrong zone's price.** The address matched a different zone. WooCommerce uses the first matching zone in the list, so move specific zones above broad ones.
- **No rate at all for some countries.** Those countries are not covered by any zone that has the method. Add them to a zone, or add the method to the *Locations not covered by your other zones* zone.
- **Edited the wrong instance.** Each zone's method is separate. Reopen the zone you are testing and check its tiers.

Tip: to offer two weight-based choices in one zone, see how to offer economy and express weight-based options.



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Every setting covered here is included in Weight-Based Shipping for WooCommerce, with no locked Pro options.

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