Subject: Book Shipping Costs Astronomical Posted by David Fanning on Sat, 10 Jan 2009 15:49:04 GMT

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Folks,

I've just finished a most unpleasant task this morning: raising the price it costs to ship IDL books on my web page. This is getting to be an every-January nightmare for me. When I first started shipping books to Europe, it cost me \$16. Now it costs more than twice that!

Traditionally, I have eaten about a third of the actual cost of shipping books, and I am still not recovering the total cost. I am absolutely loath to raise the price of the book, but I have also been hit with a substantial increase in the cost of printing the book. So, long story short, I have increased the shipping rates this morning to something approaching the actual shipping costs.

I am totally committed to trying to keep book costs as low as possible. I think it is important that people have access to something more than the standard IDL documentation, if only to provide a different context for understanding the material.

I greatly appreciate your support of this book in the past, and I pledge to do my best to provide fairly-priced books well into the future.

Cheers.

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")