Clean Cargo Guideline

Höegh Autoliners is committed to protect environments against introduction of invasive species and pests. This is a quick reference guide to highlight key aspects and importance of Clean Cargo.

Transporting cargo across the globe increases the risk of contamination and it is therefore very important to ensure that cargo is properly cleaned prior to loading on board the vessel. Each countries’ authorities set the cleaning-requirements for both vessel and cargo. The main objective is to reduce cross-contamination of both cargo and vessel.

Cargo accepted for loading may be subject to quarantine inspections and additional cleaning in ports or on board. At delivery in the port of loading, the customer is responsible that their cargo is clean from any of the below substances and is treated in line with the applicable requirements. Höegh Autoliners will reject cargo from being loaded until it has been sufficiently cleaned.

Any further costs triggered by deemed cleaning of cargo, or potential custom fines, will have to be covered by the customer.

**DIRT/SOIL:**
Soil and dirt including dirty residue must be washed off, and removed. Pay attention to the underside of the unit and make sure no dirty washing water remains on the cargo.

**OIL/GREASE:**
Oil (stains, leakages), and excessive grease must be removed from inside and outside the unit. Especially important for used equipment with hydraulics.

**FOOD:**
All left over or spilled food or drink like lunch packs and soda cups, or food carried as a commercial produce must be removed prior to shipping. Cargo can stay on board for a long time and may transit tropical regions with high ambient temperatures that spoils any food item.

**PLANT MATERIAL:**
Plant material such as leaves, bark, twigs, roots, straw or grass must be removed from inside and outside the unit.

**ANIMAL MATERIAL:**
All animal and insect life, dead or alive, including traces of feces must be removed from inside and outside the unit.

**WOOD MATERIAL:**
All wood materials of a thickness greater than 6mm must be treated in accordance with ISPM (International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures).

**NOTE:**
Authorities in Australia and New Zealand enforce strict regulations to ensure that the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) is not transported into these countries on or in imported products. All cargo bound for these countries MUST be treated in accordance with the applicable methods stated by the Authorities.