



HÖEGH AUTOLINERS

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug update

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Dear valued customer,

The brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB) is native to East Asia but is now established in many parts of North America as well as in Europe and South America where they cause severe damage to fruit and vegetable crops. As a consequence, authorities in Australia and New Zealand have introduced bio-security enforcement measures to prevent the spreading of BMSB to Oceania that apply to shipped goods between 01/September 2019 and 30/April 2020. Höegh Autoliner's (HA) takes its responsibilities to ensure that BMSB not is carried to Australia and New Zealand extremely seriously and appreciate all efforts taken by our customers to reduce risk related to this.

In what HA refer to the **off-season** for BMSB, HA still have a number of measures in place to protect our customers supply chain from disruptions should BMSB still arrive Australia and New Zealand on HA vessels. For all HA vessels destined for Oceania loading from 01/May/2020 to 31/August 2020 the following cargo requirements are in place:

- All **used** recreational vehicles such as motorhomes, campervans, caravans (also known as travel trailers and camper trailers), fifth-wheel trailers, popup campers and truck campers to Australia, New Zealand and Noumea are subject to BMSB treatment . This also applies to factory new recreational vehicles units produced later than 3 months prior to loading on HA vessels.
- All **used** cargo to Australia, New Zealand and Noumea with Italian, Hungarian and Romanian origin is subject to heat or fumigation treatment and copy of treatment certificate must be provided to HA booking office before HA accept to load the cargo. Cost for said requirement is for customers account.
- Bio security surcharge applies to all cargo destined for Australia and New Zealand.

In addition to above, Höegh would like to remind all customers that it at all times is the Shipper's sole responsibility to ensure that Cargo presented for shipment is sufficiently clean to the satisfaction of the requirements of the countries of loading, transshipment if any, and discharging.

Should you have any questions related to BMSB risk evaluation of cargo please contact your local booking office.

The official BMSB requirements are subject to change and may be found on the following web sites:

Australia : <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import/before/pests/brown-marmorated-stink-bugs/>

New Zealand : <https://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/importing/vehicles-and-machinery/requirement-documents-for-importing-vehicles-machinery-or-parts/brown-marmorated-stink-bug-requirements/>