



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 1 September and 30 April. Höegh Autoliners (HA) takes its responsibility to ensure that BMSB is not 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 arrive in Australia and New Zealand on HA vessels. For all HA vessels destined for Oceania loading from 1 May 2019 to 31 August 2019 the following cargo requirements are in place:

- Bio security surcharge of \$1 w/m applies to **all new and used** cargo destined for Australia and New Zealand.
- 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 are prohibited on Oceania bound vessels. This rule also applies to factory new units older than three (3) months on the date of loading.
- All **used** cargo from Italian ports or with Italian origin is subject to heat or fumigation treatment regardless of POD and copy of treatment certificate must be provided to HA booking office before HA accept to load the cargo. Cost for said requirements is for customers account.

In addition to above, we would like to remind all customers that it is at all times the Shipper's sole responsibility to ensure that Cargo presented for shipment is sufficiently clean to the satisfaction of the requirements of the countries 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 websites:

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

New Zealand: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/other/vehicles-and-machinery/requirements/brown-marmorated-stink-bug-requirements/>