



Tuesday, 21th August 2018

ADVISORY

Dear Customer,

Shipments of New and Used New Vehicles, Machinery and Equipment from Japan

As a direct consequence of the discovery of Brown Marmorated Stinkbugs (BMSB) on cargoes originating from Japan earlier this year, Bio Security authorities in New Zealand, Australia and Fiji have implemented additional stringent rules for cargoes entering their territories originating from identified BMSB countries (which includes Japan).

This advisory is informing you on the various new requirements for cargoes originating from Japan and shipped on Armacup vessels.

To New Zealand:

As per Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI) instructions, Armacup will only be able to load cargoes which will be compliant with the Import Health Standard (IHS), including the requirement to have cargoes certified and labelled as required in the IHS.

Importers of goods are fully responsible for the adherence to the IHS (attached for your convenience) and we urge all importers and exporters of goods from Japan to New Zealand to be fully aware of the new directives issued by MPI.

We also wish to bring to your attention that the required treatments and processes will result in additional costs which will be account shipper/consignee. Heat Treatment Providers are yet to announce their tariffs and these will be additional to your existing Bio Security cleaning requirements currently carried out in Japan.

Certification as per MPI requirements is to be presented to our booking agents prior to loading in Japan.

Heat Treatment facilities are being set up in Japan to ensure cargoes which require treatment, can be processed in time prior to shipment after September 1st 2018.

Please also refer to the following organisations and links for further information and/or guidance:

Motor Industry Association: www.mia.org.nz

Import Motor Vehicle Import Association: www.via.org.nz

Ministry of Primary Industries: www.mpi.org.nz

To Australia, Fiji, New Caledonia and other Pacific Island Destinations:

Australia's Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (DAWR) has indicated increased surveillance of vessels and cargoes on arrival for possible BMSB presence as well as other undesired insects and Bio Security risks. Vessels are to report findings en route and any reported Bio Security risks will result in expensive delays and treatment upon arrival in Australian ports.

Bio Security Authority of Fiji is requesting insecticide treatment of vehicles prior to loading as well as fogging of vessels prior to arrival in Fiji during BMSB season with further inspections for various Bio Security risks upon arrival.

Based on industries' experiences during the previous BMSB season, Armacup does not consider these measures to be sufficient to avoid BMSB contamination of cargoes and our vessels. Discovery of live BMSB on board on vessels will result in substantial delays and costs and in worst case scenario, full rejection of vessel and cargoes in any of the ports called.

Used Vehicles and Machinery transhipped in New Zealand to other destinations are also subject to the New Zealand IHS and are therefore equally affected,

As a result, during BMSB season (September 1st – April 30th) the following will therefore be implemented:

All used Vehicles and Machinery (including field tested New Machinery) shipped on Armacup vessels from Japan are to be Heat Treated, certified and labelled prior to loading. Non treated vehicles will not be accepted for loading.

Treatment Costs will need to be borne by the cargo interests.

Certification as per MPI requirements is to be presented to our booking agents prior to loading in Japan.

Shipments of Used Machinery from all Countries to New Zealand

As per new IHS, effective December 1st 2018, all used Machinery shipped to New Zealand require cleaned/treated and labelled prior to loading onto our vessels.

Certification as per MPI requirements is to be presented to our booking agents prior to loading in Japan.

Please feel free to contact Armacup or our representatives for further guidance and information if required.

We wish to thank you for your on going support

Regards,

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