

September 18, 2020

Dear Valued Customer,

AU & NZ: Rate Update

Import Sea Freight – General Rate Increase (GRI)

Carriers have advised of the following General Rate Increase. These apply to imports for sea freight from:

Region	Carrier	GRI	Effective Date
North Continent, Mediterranean, Black Sea Ports	CMA	USD 250 / TEU GP USD 500 / per container RF	01.10.20
North Continent, Mediterranean, Black Sea Ports	MSC	USD 275 / TEU GP USD 550 / per container RF	01.10.20
Europe	OOCL	USD 150 / TEU GP	01.10.20
North America	Hapag Lloyd*	USD 150 / TEU	01.10.20

*Correction - Hapag Lloyd not Hamburg Sud.

Import Sea Freight – Peak Season Surcharge (PSS) Removal

Carriers have advised the removal of the Peak Season Surcharge. This applies to imports for sea freight from:

Region	Carrier	Effective Date
North Continent, Mediterranean, Black Sea Ports	CMA	01.10.20

AU & NZ: Forward Planning for the Holiday Season

With peak season soon upon us and with space at a minimum, we wish to remind you of the importance of forward planning. Please work with your C.H. Robinson representative and supply forecasting in advance of the season to ensure our planning is as productive as possible. Please contact your account manager with any questions or if you need guidance.

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AU: Rate Update

Import Sea Freight – General Rate Increase (GRI)

Carriers have advised of the following General Rate Increase. These apply to imports for sea freight from:

Region	Carrier	GRI	Effective Date
Northern Europe	Hapag Lloyd	USD 200 / TEU GP	01.10.20
Mediterranean, Black Sea Ports	Hapag Lloyd	USD 150 / TEU GP	01.10.20
North Continent	Hapag Lloyd	USD 300 / TEU RF	01.10.20
Mediterranean, Black Sea Ports	Hapag Lloyd	USD 200 / TEU RF	01.10.20

AU: Sydney Port Congestion Surcharge

Carriers have now implemented a Sydney Port congestion surcharge and will be applied to all shipments into Sydney.

	Effective	FCL – all carriers	LCL– all shipments
Import (USA)	Gate in date 11 October	USD 300 / TEU	MIN USD 13.50 / USD 13.50w/m
Import (non –USA)	ETD 14 September	USD 300 / TEU	MIN USD 13.50 / USD 13.50w/m
Export (USA)	Gate in date 11 October	USD 300 / TEU	MIN USD 13.50 / USD 13.50w/m
Export (non –USA)	ETD 14 September	USD 300 / TEU	MIN USD 13.50 / USD 13.50w/m

This issue is developing daily. We are monitoring the market and will endeavour to keep you updated as the situation changes.

AU: Omissions at the Port of Sydney

As you are no doubt aware carriers have begun omitting Sydney in an effort to avoid the terminal delays further impacting their schedules. These port omissions are seeing containers being discharged in other Australian ports, our Import Teams will ensure that effected customers are updated as this information comes to hand. Any additional costs incurred due to containers being discharged in alternative ports will be introduced.

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AU: Industrial Action at Patrick Terminals

We wish to advise of the following notification from Container Transport Alliance Australia:

Melbourne:

Patrick East Swanson Terminal will endure a 24-hour stoppage on Friday, 18 September from 0600, with terminal operations recommencing on Saturday, 0600. This takes a whole day out of slot availability so operations on the weekend (at higher costs to transport operators) and into next week will be busy.

Also, commencing from Monday, 21 September protected industrial action will affect operations in the following zones:

- 0600-0700
- 1400-1500
- 2200-2300

Brisbane:

On Friday, 18 September, the Patrick Brisbane Terminal will suffer from a four hour stoppage from 0700 to 1100 on the day shift, and between 1900 and 2300 on the evening shift.

Patrick has advised that no VBS slots will be open for those time periods.

Patrick Brisbane Terminal will be open for R&D on Saturday, 19 September.”

We wish to advise of the following notification from Patrick Fremantle Terminal:

Perth:

“Patrick Fremantle Terminal regret to advise that due to industrial action, R&D operations on Sunday Day shift have been cancelled.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Duration of Delay: 2 days 7 hrs 0 min.

Issue Commencement: 18/09/2020 08:00

Expected Resolution: 20/09/2020 15:00”

AU: Notification of Planned Urgent Actions for Khapra Beetle-Phase 2

We wish to advise of the following notification from the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (the Department).

“The purpose of this notification is to advise stakeholders that the department will commence Phase 2 of the [urgent actions](#) in mid-October 2020 to address the risk of khapra beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*) on high-risk plant products that are hosts of this pest.*

From mid-October 2020, the following list of high-risk plant products (in various raw and processed forms for any end use) will not be permitted entry from any country into Australia within mail articles (including items posted using Express Mail Service) or baggage carried by international travellers (accompanied baggage):*

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rice (<i>Oryza sativa</i>) • Chickpeas (<i>Cicer arietinum</i>) • Cucurbit seed (<i>Cucurbita</i> spp.; <i>Cucumis</i> spp.; <i>Citrullus</i> spp.) • Cumin seed (<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>) • Safflower seed (<i>Carthamus tinctorius</i>) • Bean seed (<i>Phaseolus</i> spp.) • Soybean (<i>Glycine max</i>) • Mung beans, cowpeas (<i>Vigna</i> spp.) • Lentils (<i>Lens culinaris</i>) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wheat (<i>Triticum aestivum</i>) • Coriander seed (<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>) • Celery seed (<i>Apium graveolens</i>) • Peanuts (<i>Arachis hypogaea</i>) • Dried chillies/capsicum (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.) • Faba bean (<i>Vicia faba</i>) • Pigeon Pea (<i>Cajanus cajan</i>) • Pea seed (<i>Pisum sativum</i>) • Fennel seed (<i>Foeniculum</i> spp.)
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The following exclusions apply: goods that are thermally processed that are commercially manufactured and packaged such as retorted, blanched, roasted, fried, boiled, puffed, malted or pasteurised goods, fresh vegetables, commercially manufactured frozen food and frozen plant products or oils derived from vegetables or seed.

Failure to comply with these requirements will result in destruction of the goods upon arrival in Australia.”

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the notices held within, please contact your Key Account Manager or a C.H. Robinson representative.

Sincerely,
C.H. Robinson.

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