

Newsletter

21 August 2018

## General Rate Increase (GRI) for Asia-Australia

Freight Mart International wish to advise our customers that we have received notification from the Shipping Line's regarding the implementation of a rate restoration effective from **1st September 2018** (Proforma sailing date).

The new charge will be levied by carriers for all kinds of cargo moving from Asia to Australia.

**The advertised rate increase is as follows for dry and reefer containers, but can vary between carriers:-**

- USD 300.00 per 20' container
- USD 600.00 per 40' container

We recommend that our customers allow for these increases in their forward costing's. We will continue to closely monitor these developments and negotiate with carriers to provide you with the best contract rates, space availability and services.

Please do not hesitate to contact your Freight Mart International representative if you have any questions regarding the above mentioned.



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## Congratulations Cody Reader!

### 2018 Western Australia 13 Years & Under State – Ice Hockey Team!

The team at Freight Mart International would like to congratulate Cody Reader on being selected to represent Western Australia in the State Ginsberg Ice Hockey Team for 2018. The under 13's State Team had played in the Phil Ginsberg Trophy National Ice Hockey Championship, conducted in Melbourne with tournament dates from 16th August to 19th August 2018.

The final game against Queensland went to sudden death 5 minutes overtime, then shoot out and we would like to congratulate the WA State Team on winning the Bronze medal for the National Tournament.



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## Bamboo packaging is Now Acceptable

**The new packing declarations for bamboo are now in effect since 1st July 2018**

Further to the notice provided in May 2018 regarding the New Packing Declaration for Bamboo, the new packing declaration is now accepted from 1st July 2018. Freight Mart International remind and encourage you inform your suppliers and implement the new packaging declaration effective immediately to avoid any unnecessary delays to the clearance and delivery of your orders. You can download the new Packing Declaration form here:



### [Packing Declaration form 2018](#)

For more information, please do not hesitate to contact your Freight Mart International representative on phone **1800 300 904**. Your Freight Mart International representative is available to discuss any queries you may have regarding your booking requirements and carrier options.

## Update: Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB)



**The new packing declarations for bamboo are now in effect since 1st July 2018**

Further to the notice provided in mid-July, we received the following advice from the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources advising us the Final measures for the 2018-19 BMSB season have now been published on the BMSB webpage.

Kindly download the checklist to manage the seasonal measures prior to exporting goods to Australia from BMSB website in link below before

importing the goods between 1 September 2018 and 30 April 2019. Bear in mind, you must comply with seasonal measures for certain goods arriving from certain countries.

### [Checklist](#)



Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself, the customs department or your Freight Mart International representative.

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## Update - All India Transporters Strike

### Good News

Further to the notice provided last week regarding the Transport Strike, we are happy to inform you that the nationwide transport strike in New Delhi, India has been suspended and we expect cargo movement will return to normal operations very shortly.



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## Congestion at Tranship Port in Singapore

### Possible Delays

We have received notification by various shipping lines that due to very tight connections and heavy port congestion, the terminal in Singapore is currently experiencing delays. Carriers noted that delays from one to three weeks from original ETA are occurring for transhipment cargo destined for Australia, and as such we recommend that our customers allow for possible delays. The situation

is a direct result of reduced carrier options & capacity servicing Australian ports compared with previous years and large volumes of traffic ex North & South East Asia, Europe, UK and USA transiting through Singapore terminal which has created a backlog, and the subsequent delays.



## Forward Planning

### Peak Season

Demands on carrier's space ex North East and South East Asia are reaching capacity very early this year, and we are already experiencing some congestion issues. Planning for peak season is paramount and we recommend scheduling your order arrivals with this in mind. With less than 4 months to go until

the Christmas and the New Year Holiday closures, we would like to remind everyone of the importance of scheduling your orders and shipping timetables well in advance to allow for any potential delays related to congestion, and additional costs that can be incurred due to goods "arriving" during the holiday periods.

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## Fun Facts Regarding Shipping Containers

There are currently over 17 million shipping containers in circulation globally with the number of active shipping containers at more than five million. In total, they make around 200 million trips a year, according to Billie Box.

