**Dangerous Goods Bookings** Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Dear valued customer,

This advisory is a reminder as to the correct procedures with booking Dangerous Goods (DG’s) with Pacifica.

There continues to be examples of a clear lack in understanding by (both) the shipper AND pack point/s with regards to what is or is not acceptable when packing containers with DG cargo.

Please kindly take note of this and ensure you & your teams are aware of what is required to (both) pack a container with DG cargo AND the process with regards to booking DG cargo with Pacifica:

* DG cargo bookings will be issued on stand-alone bookings separately to general cargo bookings.
* Handwritten DG Certs will NO LONGER be accepted, they must be typed.
* ALL DG Certs must be submitted in PDF format, *the PDF file name must be the container number*.
* If you have multiple containers, there should be one certificate per container (file named as above).
* Pacifica reserves the right to reject ANY DG unit/s if they do not comply with IMDG regulations.
* Containers that contain multiple UN/or DG Class must be summarized in the following format at
either the time of booking or upon submission of DG Cert.

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| **Container number** | **Cntr. Type**  | **DG Class** | **UN #** | **Packing group** |
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Until the final (*as packed*) DG certificate has been received by Pacifica, DG information will not be updated in the booking nor to the respective load port’s system (via EDI).

**DG containers should not be pre-advised nor delivered to the load port *PRIOR* to the final DG certificate from being submitted and acknowledged by Pacifica.**

**DG Certificate submission cut-offs:**

**MOANA CHIEF**

* Auckland: Wednesday 12:00PM / Midday
* Tauranga: Tuesday 12:00PM / Midday
* Lyttelton: Friday 12:00PM / Midday
* Marsden Point: Friday 12:00PM / Midday

The acceptance and carriage of DG containers is ***strictly*** *subject* to:

* Container/s being packed, placarded, as per the (current) IMDG code regulations.
* DG certificate/s correctly completed with true & accurate information.
Incomplete &/or incorrect DG certificate/s will result in the container/s being rejected for load.
* Final DG certificate/s MUST BE signed, complete with the necessary
and accurate emergency contact information.
* The person signing the DG certificate MUST be conversant with IMDG regulations. They also acknowledge that in the event of any incident involving their container/s which has been packed incorrectly and does not conform to IMDG regulation, that person (and their company), may be held liable for any costs & damages accordingly.
* A breach or non-conformity to the abovementioned, will constitute a Misdeclaration of DG cargo.
* **In any instance of DG misdeclaration, Pacifica will apply a penalty fee of NZD $2500 per container.**

Depending on the severity of the misdeclaration, Pacifica may elect to adjust the fee, reflecting the level of the severity of the misdeclaration.

**The shipper/forwarder is responsible for the accuracy of all information contained on the DG documentation.
Any delays and or costs that result from errors, omissions, misdeclarations, inaccuracies or eligibilities of any of the information contained on the DG documentation are for the account of the shipper and/or forwarder.**

**Pacifica will not accept any costs associated to any instance of DG misdeclaration.**

**Pacifica reserve the right to reject any DG container which does not conform to the (current) IMDG code & practices.**