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Tauranga Container Terminal

Customer Notice – Dangerous Goods (DG) Discharge Requirements

Tauranga Container Terminal (TCT) reminds all customers that the storage of Dangerous Goods (DG) at the Terminal is strictly governed by New Zealand legislation, including the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017.

DG Dwell Limits

TCT operates as a **Transit Depot**, and as such:

- Most DG classes are limited to a **maximum dwell time of 3 days**
- Certain classes (including **Class 1, 5.1, 6, and 7**) are subject to **more restrictive controls**
- TCT has **no authority to approve storage beyond these limits**

Discharge Conditions – commencing 01 July 2026

DG containers will **only be discharged** where there is clear assurance that all legal dwell requirements can be met.

Prior to vessel arrival, the following must be confirmed:

- **Customs clearance**
- **MPI clearance**
- **Shipping Line release**
- **Confirmed transport arrangements** for removal within the allowable dwell period

Non-Compliance - commencing 01 July 2026

Where the above conditions are not met:

- DG containers will **remain on board the vessel**, or
- The Shipping Line must arrange **alternative off-site storage**

TCT will not discharge DG where there is a **foreseeable risk of exceeding legal dwell limits**.



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Important

Failure to comply with hazardous substance regulations exposes TCT to:

- **Significant fines and potential prosecution**
- **Increased regulatory scrutiny**
- **Operational disruption**

As a result, **no exceptions will be granted.**

Summary

Commencing 01 July 2026 – No assurance of compliant dwell = No discharge

Please ensure all DG shipments are fully compliant prior to vessel arrival to avoid delays, cargo retention, or additional costs.

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