

PROTOCOL FOR CARTAGE OF GOODS – LAND TRANSPORT FOR VITI LEVU ONLY BETWEEN/OUTSIDE CONTAINMENT ZONES

- 1. Those who intend to transfer goods between/outside containment zones must have prior approval from Ministry of Health and Medical Services/ Incident Management Team (IMT).
- 2. Once approval is granted, the following conditions must be adhered to:
 - All drivers must wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) such as masks, 2 meter physical distancing observed at all times and regularly sanitise.
 - The consignees must maintain records of consignors/ operators for contact tracing purposes and drivers must download the careFiji contact tracing app and switch on the Bluetooth at all times.
 - While loading/off-loading, the driver must not disembark from the vehicle. The cab windows must be drawn up at all times. Loading/Off-loading must be carried out by persons from that particular delivery destination (containment zone or non-lockdown area). There must be no overlap or contact between the driver and those handling goods.
 - Vehicle driver must at all times carry a valid Identification Card.
 - Exposed areas of the vehicle must be sanitised before and after loading and when rotating delivery staff.
 - In case of an emergency such as a mechanical problem or an accident, the driver may attend to the emergency but maintain all COVID safe measures such as wearing of PPE, physical distancing and must ensure they do not come in contact with any person from that zone.
 - Vehicle driver needs to maintain log-record of the products carried, date and time of visit to the lockdown area and the sanitisation procedures that the driver followed.
 - Specialist vehicles such as fuel and water tankers may carry an additional passenger only. The drive/passenger (either one), may disembark to carry out necessary technical responsibilities but maintain all COVID safe measures such as wearing of PPE, physical distancing and must ensure they do not come in contact with any person. Prior to re-entering the cab of the vehicle, the individual must sanitise.



3. These conditions are also applicable to all transfer of goods throughout Fiji. In addition, media release by Ministry of Commerce, Trade, Tourism and Transport on 21 April 2021 on Maritime Travel Restrictions (Press Release: Maritime Travel Restrictions - Ministry of Commerce Trade Tourism and Transport (mcttt.gov.fj) and Marine Notice No. 22/2021 (MN 22/21 Restrictions: Passenger And Cargo Movement - Maritime Safety Authority of Fiji (msaf.com.fj) by the Maritime Safety Authority of Fiji also applies to those traveling on inter-island vessels.

Any person who directly or indirectly refuses or neglects to comply with the authorisation by the Permanent Secretary for Health and Medical Services commits an offence and is liable to a fine of up to \$10,000 or imprisonment of up to 5 years or both.

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The operators must provide the following details in a letter addressed to the Permanent Secretary for Health and Medical Services while requesting for an approval:

- i. Name of the Company;
- ii. Company COVID-19 Response Standard Operating Procedures;
- iii. Vehicle registration numbers;
- iv. Names, address and ID numbers for all drivers/passengers;
- v. Details of goods;
- vi. Details of travel routes and time; .and
- vii. Phone and email contact.