

# Operational Update: COVID-19 - RED

6th December 2021

Normal or nearly normal		Service degraded, some delays		Service severely degraded, major delays	
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<b>Overall status:</b>	
<p><b>Key points:</b> With the Auckland region now having moved into the new COVID-19 Protection Framework at RED status, Port operations will continue with absolute focus on protecting our staff and visitors to the Port. Please ensure to continue to abide by our COVID-Protocols whilst operating on Port. Nothing changes in the way we conduct our business.</p> <p>Terminal Yard utilisation is at 86% and will continue to build with large import volume discharging in the coming days.</p> <p>Due to the bunched arrival of vessels, we expect that there will be ongoing queuing of vessels for the terminal over the next few weeks.</p>	
<b>Marine Services</b>	
All shifts covered. Pilot times may alter but running to schedule.	
<b>Container terminal vessels at anchor</b>	
'MAIN TRADER 037' (NZS): arrived 1/12/21 berthing 8/12/21	
<b>Shipping</b>	
<p>Most berth windows suspended, vessels berthing on arrival.</p> <p>Vessels scheduled to arrive over the next few days (note: times may change):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Currently alongside &amp; working:</b> 'NORTHERN GUILD 364N' (CNS), 'HANSA OFFENBURG 2123' (ANLTRZ)</li> <li>• <b>Berthing today:</b> 'ROTTERDAM BRIDGE 403S' (CNS)</li> <li>• <b>Berthing 8<sup>th</sup> December:</b> 'JPO LIBRA 132S' (PANZ), 'MAIN TRADER 037' (NZS)</li> <li>• <b>Berthing 9<sup>th</sup> December:</b> 'MOANA CHIEF 4353' (PACCOS), 'HANSA BITBURG 2123' (ANLTRZ)</li> </ul> <p>We will keep the <a href="#">website</a> updated with the most current information.</p>	
<p><b>Labour supply</b> – The presence of Covid in the community and the ongoing lockdown continue to present challenges. Lockdown lifting will present us with a new challenge, as staff who have been unable to take leave and/or leave Auckland will wish to take a break over the holiday season. We will continue to do our best to manage the ongoing challenges that Covid is bringing us.</p>	

<b>Yard Capacity</b> – The terminal is 86% utilised today and building.	
<b>Link/On-dock Empty Container Depot</b> – Link facility is at 45% utilisation.	
<b>Road Services</b> – Running well with average turn times of between 17 to 21 minutes. 1,301 import containers left the terminal via road and 236 import containers by rail.  A friendly reminder to contact Customer Service Team for Late Receival approvals.	
<b>Productivity</b> – still lower and subject to yard utilisation.	
<b>Rail Services</b> – Rail operations have been running as expected.	
<b>Other</b> –	
<b>Multi-Cargo Operations</b>	
<b>Berth and Yard Capacity</b> – Container/Bulk berths are at 100% utilisation and yard utilisation is at capacity due to vessels having large exchange volumes. This is expected to continue throughout this week. Freyberg in particular is very busy with container ops along with bulk ops this week.  Captain Cook, Marsden, Bledisloe yards and the Car Handling Facility are at 40% utilisation today, this is expected to rise to 100% utilisation by Friday.  Congestion is set to continue with large container volumes being presented @ R&D, and MC will remain under pressure at least for the next few weeks so we encourage carriers to continue to liaise with the shipping lines on receivals and operating hours.  POAL/MC Ops team request all efforts for key stakeholders to resource for the swift delivery of cargo within its permitted free time. Extensions for free time and any additional storage will not be considered.	
<b>Road Services</b> – Container and Breakbulk R&D are busy. The multi cargo truck grid continues to have congestion during busy periods but is being managed accordingly, R&D service issues must be directed to the Shipping Line and their nominated stevedore directly keeping our MC team in copy. Vehicle Transporters are encouraged to communicate with Multi Cargo Ops for staging areas and any subsequent issues.	
<b>Other</b> – COVID-19 controls remain in place. Masks <b>must</b> be worn on port and all visitors should use N95 masks if available as they are more effective against the Delta variant. Always stay two metres away from all other people. Do not physically approach Ports of Auckland staff or people from other organisations, please respect and maintain safe social distancing.	

**Friendly reminders:** A reminder - Customer Services enquiries should continue to be directed to [CustomerServiceC@poal.co.nz](mailto:CustomerServiceC@poal.co.nz). The team can be reached via their normal phone number: **09 348 5360**. Hours of work: Monday to Friday 07:00hrs to 19:00hrs and Saturday 07:00hrs to 15:00hrs.

For Container Terminal VBS Bookings please refer to the bookings system in the first instance. For any essential cargo bookings, hazardous, active reefers or please email [driverassist@poal.co.nz](mailto:driverassist@poal.co.nz).

Next update will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021.