

## "K" LINE AMERICA, INC.



## **Australian Fumigation Requirements Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Season 2016/17**

The Australian Government, Department of Agriculture (ADA) has issued industry notice 75/2016 on 10 August 2016 which outlines the fumigation requirements for Break Bulk cargo for the 2016-2017 season. The new notice can be found on the below link.

http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import/industry-advice/ian/16/75-2016

Additional information can be found at the below link.

http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import/before/pests/brown-marmorated-stink-bugs/season-measures

"K"Line America is committed to assisting our customers with this regulation as much as possible. Below are some points that need to be carefully considered for all Australian cargo which you plan to book with "K"Line.

- Fumigation must take place <u>within</u> 96 hours of the vessels <u>departure</u> for all vessels which are schedule to depart 1 September thru 1 December 2016. Arrangements for fumigation are for the account of the shipper.
- Fumigation certificates must be sent to "K"Line's Customer Service department via email at ricbcarcus@us.kline.com. They may also be faxed to 800.333.9275.
- Vessel delays due to port labor issues, berth congestion or weather which cause a fumigation
  certificate to become invalid will not be the responsibility of "K" Line. If time permits the cargo
  may be re-fumigated and "K" Line will make every effort to load your cargo. If cargo rolls due to
  non-compliant fumigation certificates "K" Line will not be responsible for storage costs or roll fees.
- Because fumigation is required to take place <u>within</u> 96 hours, "K" Line's standard vessel cut process will be altered for cargo to Australia. All shippers are strongly encouraged to stay in close communication with "K" Line's Customer Service department for coordination of cargo delivery and receipt of fumigation certificates. Some of "K" Line's standard automated notifications you may receive regarding your cargo may not apply. If you have questions please make sure to contact Customer Service at 866.233.6875 opt. 1.
- The correct date the vessel sails will be critical to ensure fumigation is done within the 96 hours. Although "K" Line's printed vessel schedule and the schedule available through kline.com are resources it is *not recommended* that they be used to determine the most update to date information. All shippers are strongly encouraged to stay in close communication with "K" Line's Customer Service department to learn the most up to date vessel schedule.
- Used title cargo requires that the title and vehicle be delivered to the port a minimum of 72 hours
  prior to the vessels departure. This is in direct conflict with the Australian fumigation regulation. It
  will be extremely difficult to coordinate fumigation and cargo delivery to meet both regulations.
  Please contact Customer Service to discuss what arrangements you are making to meet both
  requirements.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Car Carrier Customer Service Department at 1-866-233-6875 opt. 1 or ricbcarcus@us.kline.com.