

TO ALL INDUSTRY LIVESTOCK OPERATORS: HIGH IMPORTANCE

We have been asked by AsureQuality to communicate the following reminders to livestock operators about the importance of compliance to the NZLTA crate programme.

For new staff – operators should be registering drivers immediately when they are employed, or when they are moved onto livestock, and before they actually start carting. There's no need to wait for a driver to have formal training as they can be registered as a driver in training right away and get that six-month grace period to be approved to cart, while they wait for a training session. NZLTA admin are more than happy to check/confirm NZLTA status for drivers changing companies. Please note that Alliance training is accepted, however, operators still need to register Alliance-trained drivers by emailing through a copy of the Alliance card/training record.

New C rates - Please ensure the plaques are fitted to the crates as soon as they arrive and notify NZLTA if they do not arrive.

Crate sales – the responsibility is on the operators to update NZLTA if a crate is sold, and if incorrect or out-of-date information is held, then you may be charged higher annual crate fees.

Registration - To ensure your crate fee is charged at the correct rate, operators need to check that you are a member of either the Road Transport Association, National Road Carriers Association, or NZ Trucking Association. These are the industry associations that affiliate to the Road Transport Forum (RTF). You must notify NZLTA of your membership number as the only way NZLTA is advised of this information is if operators inform them.

It is also imperative that operators ensure they let NZLTA know promptly if any contact information/contact person changes for their company, and make sure they are checking their email regularly and reading the updates/communications that are sent out. Operators are only emailed when there's something they need to action. NZLTA does not do any mass emailing so everything they send is relevant. Some emails, like non-conformance notices and invoice advice, will have a timeframe that you need to reply within to prevent suspension, or to allow changes to billing info.

Janelle (NZLTA admin) or Alex Fretter are happy to answer any questions or confirm driver/crate/membership status for any operators via nzлта@asurequality.com or operators can find all the resources (including driver induction/operator registration forms) on www.nzлта.co.nz It's imperative you check this for programme updates on a regular basis.

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