

# NAUTICA

SHIPPING & LOGISTICS



Welcome to the first issue of our (monthly) broadcast designed specifically to keep you abreast of the latest developments at Nautica Shipping and Logistics.

Nautica has heralded a new era in the shipping world after such a flying start. The combination of Nautica's dependable and versatile service has struck a chord with the market. We are very proud to provide a tailored service with loyalty our customers can trust.

## HERE ARE JUST A FEW WORDS FROM SOME HAPPY CUSTOMERS TO DATE:

*"Just wanted to say what a great service you have provided. You have made this a very easy process. I will have no hesitation in spreading the word of your company and look forward to using your services in the future."* **A.Gordon**

*"I couldn't have asked for a better company to handle my freight from the US. Every shipment I get great communication throughout all aspects of the process and you just make it easy and workable"* **T.Quinton**

*"I import large amounts of furniture for our business and often it can be a stressful time when shipments arrive. However since switching to Nautica Shipping and Logistics, they handle everything effectively and efficiently from start to finish. I couldn't be happier to recommend them to everyone".* **J.Doole**

I encourage you to take a moment to read the latest news detailed below as this could affect future shipments.

With many exciting times ahead, we look forward to sharing our latest news with you all.

Kindest Regards,

Gerry Claudatos,

Managing Director

## NAUTICA NEWS



### EXPORTS: COMPULSORY CONTAINER WEIGHING

The international term for Compulsory Container Weighing is V.G.M or Verified Gross Mass. V.G.M. is being introduced globally as from 1st July this year. All export containers from NZ from 1 July 2016 must be weighed and have a confirmed V.G.M. The weighing of containers and production of the confirmed weight is the responsibility of the exporter.

Ports in NZ have advised that from 1st July 2016:

- They will not accept any containers without a V.G.M.
- Neither will they provide a weighing service for containers.

Similarly shipping lines have advised that they will not load any containers onto their ships without a V.G.M as from 1st July 2016.

**There are two ways to confirm container weights:**

**Method 1:** Weighing all the individual items to be loaded and combining that total with any dunnage, packing materials and the tare weight of the empty container.

**Method 2:** Weigh the whole container.

It is also important to note that any scales or weighing devices used must be certified and compliant with the current Weights and Measures Act. In New Zealand the enforcement of the V.G.M. is the responsibility of Maritime NZ who report to the Ministry of Transport.

As part of a wider industry group, we have met with Maritime NZ. So the new rules and regulations around V.G.M. are succinct and clear Maritime NZ have committed to having a draft legislation on V.G.M. completed by February 12th. Following this there will be a 4 week consultation period for exporters and shipping companies to comment.

Following that the rules should be clear about how the V.G.M. will work and what will be the consequences in the event of noncompliance. Irrespective of this the introductory date and rules around receipt of containers on to NZ ports and loading on to ships will be 1st July this year.



### TENNIS ACTION

Thank you to those that joined us for a day at the ASB Tennis Championships. It was a thoroughly enjoyable event. I've already got my feelers out for Nautica's next networking event. Watch this space!!

### WE HAVE MOVED...

We have made the big move to our new office located at: **Unit 6, 501 Karanghape Road Auckland Central**. We would love to see you so please don't hesitate to pop in for a coffee and scone on the house. I will personally give you the tour and introduce you to the wider team.

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