



Coronavirus update #3

The NSW Government continues to support freight movements and the supply of goods as a high priority in its response to Coronavirus.

Measures to help reduce the spread of Coronavirus continue to be enforced in NSW through public health orders issued under the *Public Health Act 2010*. No specific restrictions have been placed on freight and logistics businesses under these orders and gatherings for the purposes of or relating to transportation continue to be listed as essential. More information can be found on the [TfNSW freight coronavirus page](#).

All industry operators should continue to follow NSW Health guidelines for hygiene and safety, including physical distancing.

NSW ports and airports

NSW ports and airports remain open for freight imports and exports and Australian Border Force advice supports vessels and aircraft arriving in Australian ports, subject to meeting specified criteria.

Maritime freight

A person arriving in NSW on a vessel from a port outside of NSW must not disembark unless authorised to do so by the Commissioner of Police or it is an emergency. An exemption remains in place for a crew member undertaking essential tasks within the immediate vicinity of the vessel. The NSW Government is continuing to consider the implementation of the National Cabinet decision on the movement of international and domestic maritime crew and we will provide further updates on this as soon as we can.

Export air freight

The Australian Government has released the details of its International Freight Assistance Mechanism which will assist agricultural and fisheries exporters to get their produce onto flights to international customers quickly. More information can be found on the [Austrade](#) and [business.gov.au](#) websites.

NSW roads and rail

Freight into and within NSW is still permitted to move freely, and we continue to work with industry to ensure goods can get to where they are needed most.

NSW-QLD border gates

As part of Queensland's border restrictions, a number of border gates between NSW and Queensland have been locked but can be accessed by freight operators who need to contact Queensland Police to obtain a code. Due to limited phone reception at these gates, you will need to plan your trip ahead of time by visiting www.livetraffic.com. More information can be found on the [TfNSW freight coronavirus page](#).

Improved Sydney rail network information to freight operators

Sydney Trains has brought forward protocols to share real-time network information with rail operators via the Rail Operations Centre. The updates were to be rolled out later this year, but the increased demand on rail freight services has seen the plan fast-tracked, providing operators with network disruption notices as they happen on rail freight corridors, including expected resolution times. The move has been welcomed by operators.

Personal protective equipment supplies

In recognition of the difficulties some businesses have had in sourcing personal protective equipment (PPE), the NSW Government has launched the Buy NSW [COVID-19 Emergency Supplies Portal](#) to link industry with local suppliers. Businesses who require PPE can register online to search for more than 200 suppliers across the state.

Further information

For more information on what Transport for NSW is doing to support the freight industry visit the [Transport for NSW freight coronavirus page](#). To subscribe to this update freight@transport.nsw.gov.au