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GATEWAY TERMINAL

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Introduction of a Group Import Code (GIC) Initiative

To improve truck turnaround times, reduce unnecessary container rehandles and increase yard productivity, the Durban Gateway Terminal (DGT) is introducing a Group Import Code (GIC) collection process for transporters with more than 20 containers assigned at the terminal.

Under this process, containers will be grouped under an agreed GIC code. When an appointment is secured through the normal slot-drop process, the transporter must book the GIC code against the relevant gate instead of nominating a specific container.

When the truck arrives at the terminal, the system will select the best available container from the group, prioritising the unit requiring the fewest rehandles, and direct the driver to the appropriate ITZ.

This initiative does not constitute a bulk run, and appointment availability will continue to be managed according to terminal capacity. The purpose is to make each available appointment more efficient and improve truck turnaround times.

Transporters may choose either:

- One generic GIC code covering all containers currently in the yard and future inbound units;
- or
- Up to three separate groups based on specific client, delivery or operational requirements.

For specific groups, transporters must nominate a unique nine-character code for each group. Codes must be uppercase and contain no spaces. A maximum of three codes may be active per transporter at any time. If a transporter wants to introduce a new code after reaching this limit, it must nominate an existing code for deletion. Codes will be recycled as many times as the carrier needs. *Where possible, please lodge requests to add codes before the containers discharge off the vessel.*

The transporter may request to dual load the truck with another import container from the same GIC group when the truck arrives at A-check.

By applying this process across multiple transporters, the terminal can reduce shifting, improve equipment productivity and deliver containers to trucks more efficiently.

Should you have questions on this initiative please contact the DGT Operations Manager, Mr Max Gundy, at mgundy@vict.ictsi.com

We appreciate your cooperation and support in implementing this initiative.

Yours sincerely,



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