

**November 15, 2021**

Adjustment Of Traffic Mitigation Fee at Long Beach and Los Angeles Ports

The West Coast MTO Agreement (WCMTOA) announced that the Traffic Mitigation Fee (TMF) at the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach will be temporarily adjusted from December 1, 2021, through January 31, 2022, subject to regulatory clearance by the Federal Maritime Commission. During this period, there will be a financial incentive to move containers during off-peak hours by charging a TMF during peak hours. No changes to the appointment systems operated by individual terminals have been announced.

The adjustment comes at the request of the Port Envoy to the Biden-Harris Administration Supply Chain Disruptions Task Force, as well as the Executive Directors of the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, as part of a collaborative effort to incentivize increased use of marine terminal gates during off-peak hours. The action is part of an overall effort to expand the use of warehouses, distribution centers, and trucking during the second and third shifts for the final push of holiday goods in December, and into January leading to the Lunar New Year.

From December 1, 2021, through January 31, 2022, the TMF will be \$78.23 per TEU (twenty-foot equivalent unit) or \$156.46 for all other sizes of containers for non-exempt international container moves through the terminals at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:59 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Containers exempt from the TMF include empty containers; import cargo or export cargo that transits the Alameda Corridor in a container, and is subject to a fee imposed by the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority; domestic and transshipment cargo; and loaded container moves through the terminals from 6:00 p.m. through 6:59 a.m. Monday through Saturday and all day (24 hours) on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Empty chassis and bobtail trucks are also exempt.

Pier PASS is a not-for-profit company created by marine terminal operators at the Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach to address multi-terminal issues such as congestion, air quality and security. The West Coast Marine Terminal Operator Agreement (WCMTOA) is filed with the Federal Maritime Commission, and comprises the 12 international MTOs serving the Los Angeles and Long Beach ports. For more information, please see www.pierpass.org.

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