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SWC Transport Restrictions Reminder

It's finally here!

Clients are reminded of transport restrictions and possible delivery delays as the Soccer World Cup gets under way.

Traffic authorities throughout the country have imposed restrictions on abnormal load movements on specific routes at certain times; Gauteng has imposed a blanket ban on such movements for the duration of the tournament.

Safcor Panalpina and transporters generally will not be able to make deliveries to clients in the vicinity of Stadiums on days when matches are being played there. Deliveries to clients in the vicinity of official Fan Parks may be delayed before and during matches.

Clients who wish to make alternative delivery arrangements (including collecting their own airfreight cargo from our premises) are requested to please advise their channel controllers in advance of their requirements.

Airfreight space into South Africa from all origins continues to be in short supply: this is partially an effect of the World Cup and the recent Transnet Strike. Safcor Panalpina's efforts to secure space with reliable carriers on all Trade Lanes continues to enjoy high priority.

All ports are now reported to be working seafreight imports and exports. The Durban container terminal is congested which is slowing movements of containers into and out of the port. At 6am today 6 ships were at berth with 7000 containers to be discharged, 14 ships were awaiting berths at the container terminal and another 25 reported due over the next 8 days. Cold, wet and windy conditions are forecast for the Southern half of the country in the coming days which may hamper port operations.

Gauteng clients attending Thursday's SWC opening concert and Friday's opening match are advised to wrap up warmly: the Weather Service has forecast possible light rain on both days with expected minimum temperatures of about 6 degrees on both nights.

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