

## OVERVIEW

### Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme – King Island and Furneaux Group intrastate component

On 16 November 2008 assistance under the TFES intrastate component was extended to include all the islands of the Furneaux Group. The TFES intrastate component has subsequently been renamed to the TFES King Island and Furneaux Group intrastate component (KIFG). In accordance with this change, different eligibility criteria now apply, subject to the date of shipment. These are detailed as follows:

**For shipments from 1 July 2008 to 15 November 2008 inclusive**, eligible goods under the TFES KIFG intrastate component are goods that are not covered by clause 10A of the TFES Ministerial Directions (MDs) and are:

- (a) listed in Schedule 1 of the TFES MDs and produced or manufactured on the main island of Tasmania for permanent use or sale on King Island or Flinders Island; or
- (b) listed in Schedule 1 of the TFES MDs and produced or manufactured on King Island or Flinders Island for permanent use or sale on the main island of Tasmania; or
- (c) eligible non-consumer raw materials, machinery or equipment produced or manufactured on the main island of Tasmania for use in the manufacturing, mining, agriculture, forestry or fishing industries on King Island or Flinders Island; or
- (d) eligible non-consumer raw materials, machinery or equipment produced or manufactured on King Island or Flinders Island for use in the manufacturing, mining, agriculture, forestry or fishing industries on the main island of Tasmania.

The sea freight routes eligible for assistance under the intrastate component during this period are between:

- a) any port on King Island and any port on the main island of Tasmania; and
- b) any port on Flinders Island and any port on the main island of Tasmania.

**For shipments from 16 November 2008 inclusive**, eligible goods under the TFES KIFG intrastate component are goods that are not covered by clause 10A of the TFES MDs and are:

- (a) listed in Schedule 1 of the TFES MDs and produced or manufactured on the main island of Tasmania for permanent use or sale on King Island or the Furneaux Group; or
- (b) listed in Schedule 1 of the TFES MDs and produced or manufactured on King Island or the Furneaux Group for permanent use or sale on the main island of Tasmania; or
- (c) eligible non-consumer raw materials, machinery or equipment produced or manufactured on the main island of Tasmania for use in the manufacturing, mining, agriculture, forestry or fishing industries on King Island or the Furneaux Group; or
- (d) eligible non-consumer raw materials, machinery or equipment produced or manufactured on King Island or the Furneaux Group for use in the manufacturing, mining, agriculture, forestry or fishing industries on the main island of Tasmania.

The sea freight routes eligible for assistance under the KIFG intrastate component in this period are between:

- a) any port on King Island and any port on the main island of Tasmania; and
- b) any port in the Furneaux Group and any port on the main island of Tasmania.

Regardless of the date of shipment, goods deemed ineligible under the general interstate TFES provisions are also ineligible under the KIFG intrastate component.

Eligible claimants are those who incur the cost of shipping eligible goods.

Assistance payable under the KIFG intrastate component will be calculated by Centrelink on the basis of a twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU) container or equivalent, utilising the same parameters and methodology applied to processing general interstate TFES claims for assistance, with the only exception being:

- in the case of goods moved between King Island and the main island of Tasmania, the road freight equivalent (RFE) is \$675 per TEU for dry freight and \$742 per TEU for reefer freight; and
- in the case of goods moved between an island in the Furneaux Group and the main island of Tasmania, the RFE is \$259 per TEU for dry freight and \$285 per TEU for reefer freight.

The maximum level of assistance, including an intermodal allowance of \$100, is \$855 per TEU.

The RFE costs have been determined on the basis of transporting goods by road over an equivalent distance of 300 kilometres between King Island and Devonport, and 115 kilometres between Flinders Island and Bridport.

**Contact** Tasmanian Assistance Services on 1800 993 347 for further information about the intrastate component.