HELIVE EXPORT INDUSTRY

AUSTRALIA'S LIVE EXPORT INDUSTRY WILL BE SHUT DOWN IMMEDIATELY IF LUMPY SKIN DISEASE OR FOOT & MOUTH DISEASE ARE FOUND IN AUSTRALIA.

PEOPLE, WHARVES, TRUCKS AND QUARANTINE YARDS IN COUNTRIES WITH LSD AND FMD ARE ALL RISK AREAS, AND THERE ARE SIMPLE STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO STOP THESE DISEASES GETTING ONTO YOUR SHIP.

FOOT & MOUTH DISEASE

Affects cattle, buffalo, sheep, goats and pigs. Signs include blisters on the mouth, drooling and limping.

LUMPY SKIN DISEASE

Affects cattle and buffalo. Signs include firm, raised lumps on the skin, which develop scabs which then fall off, leaving holes.



PREVENT THE SPREAD WITH THESE FOUR SIMPLE STEPS

USE THE FOOT-BATHS

- If you go on shore during discharge, make sure you use the footbath at the bottom of the gangway before getting back on the ship.
- Use the footbaths set up in high traffic areas around the ship during discharge as secondary protection.

STOP CATTLE RETURNING TO SHIP

- The trucks at destination ports may have carried infected livestock. Try to stop any cattle from turning around once they go down the ramp off the ship.
- Stay off the trucks yourself, unless absolutely necessary.

WASH, THEN WASH AGAIN! Once discharge is complete:



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- Wash your hands, have a shower and wash your hair using soap & hot water.
- Wash all clothes worn around the cattle, livestock pens and wharf in warm soapy water. Then soak them for at least 30 minutes in the chemical solution supplied by the ship, before washing them again.
- Clean all shoes you've worn around the cattle, livestock pens and discharge wharf thoroughly using the chemical solution provided by the ship.

CAREFUL SHIP WASH-DOWN

• Be extra vigilant when washing down the ship on the way back to Australia. The viruses can live in manure, pellets and hay. They can also be carried by insects.