**Amendments to the Rules of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 360 of June 9, 2020, Riga (Prot. No. 40 32.§) "Measures of Epidemiological Safety to Limit the Spread of Covid-19 Infection"**

In order to reduce the spread of Covid-19 virus, especially the newer coronavirus form, on July 6, the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Latvia imposed a new regulation on the entry of professional truck drivers into Latvia. The new rules come into force on 12 July 2021.

In accordance with the amendments:

If a person, including the driver of a cargo or passenger vehicle, before crossing the land border at the checkpoints “Grebneva”, “Terekhova”, “Paternieki” or “Silene” cannot present a valid European Union Covid-19 certificate form of vaccination, testing or past illness, the person is obliged to:

• Immediately conduct a test for Covid-19 at this checkpoint at their own expense (paragraph 38.61.);

• The State Border Guard gives permission to the person referred to in clause 38.61 of these rules to leave the territory of the checkpoint, if the result of the test for Covid-19 is negative (paragraph 38.62);

• If the person specified in clause 38.61 of these rules does not test for Covid-19 or if the test result for Covid-19 is positive, the Emergency Medical Service immediately delivers the driver of a cargo or passenger vehicle to one of the tourist accommodation facilities indicated in the list of tourist accommodation (paragraph 38.64);

• If the driver of a cargo or passenger vehicle is obliged to maintain isolation at the tourist accommodation facility, the carrier is responsible for resolving issues arising from the isolation of its employee (paragraph 38.65).