On 10 July, the Government of Mongolia extended the partial state of emergency until 31 July. All measures currently in force have been extended accordingly.

Source: IRU Moscow office

On 16 June, the Government of Mongolia extended the partial state of emergency until 30 June 2020; international road, air and rail passenger transport operations remain suspended until that date. Borders remain open for international goods transport operations. Domestic transport operations can operate as normal.

Source: NARTAM

On 19 May, the Ministry of Road and Transport Development of Mongolia confirmed that with effect from 25 May, the following vehicles will NOT be permitted to pass through the border crossing points of Mongolia:

- Foreign vehicles destined for China via Mongolia, without valid Chinese permits;
- Foreign vehicles not carrying one of the permits listed in the Intergovernmental Agreement on International Road Transport

Source: NARTAM

Following its 20th meeting held on 28 April 2020, the State Emergency Commission of Mongolia has extended a partial state of emergency until 31 May 2020.

In relation to this decision, international air, road and rail passenger transport is temporarily suspended until 31 May 2020. Freight transport is exempt from restrictions but all drivers of goods vehicles are subject to mandatory health checks upon arrival at the border. Previous measures taken in relation to freight transport coordination remain valid.

Source: NARTAM

Despite the fact that there are no restrictions imposed by the State Emergency Commission of Mongolia for trucks and goods crossing the Mongolian border, from 30.03.2020 foreign goods vehicles are only allowed to enter Mongolia through the border crossing points Altanbulag and Ulaanbaishint. As an additional measure, foreign goods vehicles are escorted to the point of destination or exit of the country.

Therefore, foreign carriers are strongly advised not to enter Mongolia through other border crossing points, except for Altanbulag and Ulaanbaishint, pending clear instructions from competent authorities.

Source: IRU Moscow office
MEASURES TAKEN BY THE MONGOLIAN GOVERNMENT TO TACKLE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 AND RESTRICT THE MOVEMENTS OF TRAVELLERS, CARGO AND MEANS OF TRANSPORT

1. The Period of Cross-Country Enhanced Preparedness Actions against the Covid-19 pandemic was extended until 30 April 2020. In connection with announcement of the CrossCountry Enhanced Critical Preparedness Actions, educational institutions at all levels were temporarily closed and scheduled international flights and international railway passenger movements were suspended.

2. The Mongolian Customs had established the Interim Operative Working Group and appoints immediate duty officers on a day-to-day basis to provide the State Emergency Commission with real-time data. The regional Customs administrations and Customs branch offices have been fully supplied with cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting or sterilization materials.

3. Within the framework of best protection against the outbreak of coronavirus and prevention measures, cross-border movements are partially restricted and only importation and exportation of goods and means of transport are allowed.

4. Customs examinations are carried out only after the goods and means of transport are properly decontaminated. The goods and means of transport are delivered to the border and inland Customs under police escort. Mongolian drivers are isolated for 14 days. The foreign drivers are also isolated until the cargo is unloaded and they return immediately under strict surveillance.

5. The Customs inspections are carried out in separate areas classified as red, orange and green. The Customs inspectors use full and half sets of personal protective cloths and equipment.

6. Limited number of special chartered flights are being arranged to locations outside Mongolia to bring Mongolian nationals back at their requests. The Mongolian nationals returning back and foreign nationals coming to Mongolia to reside in it permanently through the named ports are isolated for 14 days. Their accompanied and unaccompanied luggage is decontaminated and also kept under control for 14 days. Thereafter, the Customs carries out the necessary Customs inspections.

7. The Mongolian Customs translates into Mongolian the WCO updates and communique regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak as immediately as possible and disseminates them through its website.

24 March 2020

On 20 March 2020, the State Emergency Commission of Mongolia held its 13th meeting and has now imposed the following additional measures:

- The suspension period for international passenger transport (road, air traffic and rail) has been prolonged until 30 April 2020.

Please note:

- National bus, air and rail transport are still operating normally;
- All borders remain open for the flow of goods and truck drivers.

All foreign trucks with goods arriving at the border crossing point of Altanbulag are subject to disinfection, which will be organised on the spot by the authorities. If the final destination is Mongolia, trucks will then be escorted by the police to the customs control zone in Ulaanbaatar, in order to perform the customs clearance formalities and to enable the delivery of goods to the consignee. Upon completion of these procedures, foreign trucks are requested to return immediately to the border crossing point of Altanbulag, and then exit the country. If trucks are in transit, vehicles will be escorted by the police to the Zamiin-Uud border crossing point. Stops at urban areas along the road is not permitted.

Source: NARTAM

20.03.2020

In relation to the prevention of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Government of Mongolia is taking the following measures:

- The entry of foreign, third country citizens and stateless persons is prohibited, from 11 - 31 March, 2020;
- All international passenger air traffic and train movements are cancelled, from 10 - 28 March, 2020;
- National bus, air and rail transport are all operating normally;
- All borders remain open for the flow of goods and truck drivers.

Following its 12th meeting on 17 March 2020, the State Emergency Commission of Mongolia has introduced additional measures, which state that all foreign trucks with goods arriving at the border crossing point of Altanbulag are subject to disinfection, which will be organised on the spot by the authorities. Trucks will then be escorted by the police to the customs control zone in Ulaanbaatar, in order to perform the customs clearance formalities and to enable the delivery of goods to the consignee. Upon completion of these procedures, foreign trucks are requested to return immediately to the border crossing point of Altanbulag, and then exit the country. Please note that the new requirements are applicable to all foreign goods transport operators and trucks.

Source: NARTAM

19.03.2020

In relation to the prevention of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic, the Government of Mongolia is taking the following measures:
Cross-border movements are partially restricted and only importation and exportation of goods and means of transport are allowed. Customs examinations are carried out only after the goods and means of transport are properly decontaminated. The goods and means of transport are delivered to the border and inland Customs under police escort. Mongolian drivers are isolated for 14 days. The foreign drivers are also isolated until the cargo is unloaded and they return immediately under strict surveillance. The Customs inspections are carried out in separate areas classified as red, orange and green. The Customs inspectors use full and half sets of personal protective cloths and equipment. Source: Customs General Administration of Mongolia (as posted on WCO website)

Coal export through Khangi border checkpoint resumed from 31 March. Gashuunsukhait border checkpoint was re-opened on 23 March to restore the coal export. By resuming operation of Khangi border checkpoint, now coal export is being made through four border crossings – Zamyn-Uud, Khangi, Gashuunsukhait and Shiveekhuren. Source: MONTSAME (State-owned news agency) https://montsame.mn/en/read/220647; https://montsame.mn/en/read/220485

- The entry of foreign, third country citizens and stateless persons is prohibited, from 11 - 31 March, 2020;
- Air traffic and international train movements are cancelled from Russia, Kazakhstan and Turkey, from 10 - 28 March, 2020;
- All borders remain open for the flow of goods and truck drivers;
- National bus, air and rail transport is all operating normally.

Source: NARTAM