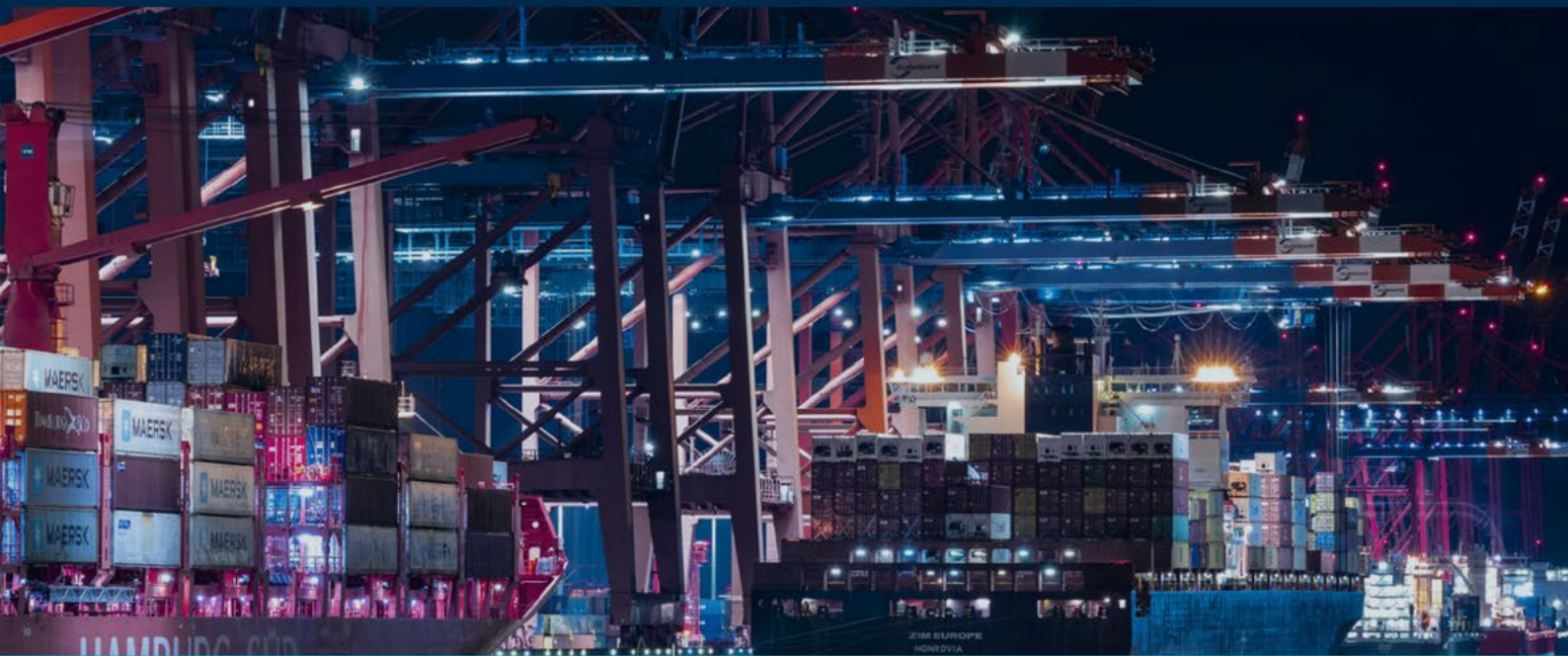




Pacific Trade Invest  
New Zealand



# FREIGHT SUPPORT PACKAGE

Practical financial assistance for Pacific exporting SMEs

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The Freight Support Package is designed to support Pacific exporters in the wake of global inflation and rising supply chain costs.

Strengthen business resilience  
Support businesses affected by supply chain constraints  
Enhance businesses competitiveness in international markets.

## Timeline

Applications are open now and close 30/04/2023.

Applications will be assessed by PTI NZ, and applicants will receive notice of the decision by the end of May.

For successful applicants, bank details will be requested at this time and funds dispersed.

## Eligibility

- Have a registered business and export licence in one of the Pacific Islands Forum Member Countries and be exporting during 2023 or have forward export orders for 2023.
- Must be exporting to NZ or PIFS nation or territory.
- Provide documentary evidence of freight costs over the past 12 months (e.g., bill of lading, air waybills, freight company invoices and/or statements).
- Proof of freight payments made by applying business.
- Agree to submit impact statement and sales attributed to grant.

## Additional Considerations

As well as ensuring the above criteria are met, the selection committee will assess the business on the below:

- Community Impact
- Gender balanced employment
- Women owned or led enterprise
- Engaging in e-Commerce
- Size of business

## FAQ

I sell to my network of friends in and family in New Zealand, can I apply?

- This freight support is intended for those engaged in formal trade. Others may apply, but approval is at the discretion of the PTI selection committee.

Can I apply for the freight costs of the packaging and ingredients I use in manufacturing?

- PTI will consider freight costs for the import of raw materials, as long as the other eligibility criteria are met.

Is this only for sea freight?

- The freight support package is for both sea and air freight.

My business only exports to Australia, can I apply?

- This programme is only for businesses who export to New Zealand, or to other Pacific Islands, but keep an eye on PTI Australia for other opportunities.

My business isn't registered yet, can I apply?

- No. Reach out to your Chamber of Commerce or IPA for valuable resources on steps you can take.

What do I need to apply?

- You will need details of your export shipments to NZ or other Pacific Islands, including date, destination, freight cost, and cargo value. For each shipment, upload the accompanying document (this could be a B/L or freight invoice) in the relevant section of the application form. The accompanying document must include date of shipment, freight cost, and show the name of the applying business.



## Terms and Conditions

- Should PTI require additional information to process your application, this must be received back within 3 business days of the initial request, otherwise your application will be removed from consideration.
- A determination will be made whether the application is approved for funding. In some cases, successful applicants may not receive the full amount requested and may be subject to special, as well as general, conditions of funding. Where relevant, this will be discussed in detail with the applicant.
- Grants will be awarded to successful applicants based on eligibility requirements and additional considerations on a cost share basis.
- Applications will be reviewed against the eligibility criteria and additional considerations by a selection panel.
- Applicants may be asked for additional information to proceed their application, which must be received in full within 3 business days of the request, otherwise the application will be considered withdrawn.
- On successful application, funds will be dispersed on receipt of business bank accounts, in accordance with PTI payment criteria. The bank account provided must be in the name of the applying business.
- Successful applicants agree to submit an impact statement and sales figures for 2023.



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