Port of Tauranga Limited (POTL) is licensed with MAF Biosecurity New Zealand as a transitional facility for the disposal of quarantine waste, pursuant to the Biosecurity Act 1993.

Every port/airport approved by the Ministry as a place of first arrival for craft arriving in New Zealand must have adequate transitional facilities for holding, inspecting, treating, and if necessary, dispensing, of refuse and imported goods that cannot be given biosecurity clearance.

Every vessel entering the Port of Tauranga carrying quarantine waste that is required to be removed from the vessel shall advise POTL through its agent, or by contacting the Customer Service Centre (ph 07 572 8888), or the Port Quarantine Transfer Station (ph 07 572 5873).

The quarantine waste should ideally be placed in heavy duty plastic or paper bags and shall be moved from the vessel directly into the Port quarantine return truck.

POTL has trained operators who will transport the waste material to the transitional facility pending its authorised disposal.

No quarantined refuse is permitted to be removed from any vessel by any person other than an authorised POTL employee who will use only approved disposal methods.

No quarantine refuse is to be delivered personally to the quarantine transitional facility and no quarantine waste material is to be left unattended at the transitional transfer station.

The cost of disposal of all quarantine waste is as per the POTL published tariffs.

