



Circular From NORTH

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Coronavirus Outbreak - Impact on Shipping (Update 2)

In response to the 2019-nCoV novel coronavirus outbreak, a number of countries, ports and organisations are publishing details of the measures being put in place.

The below is a brief summary of information we have received so far that has the potential to impact ship operations.

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Country	Informing party	Date	Summary of advice
Algeria	Neffous Shipping & Consulting (P&I)	5-Apr	27 Feb: The port of Annaba notified all local agents that following the sanitary services advise, all vessels who called Italian ports will be put on quarantine on road till the release into free pratique is obtained. 29 March: all the Ports Authorities have prohibited the loading and the discharging operations between 01:00 hours and 07:00 hours in some ports and from 19:00 hours to 07:00 hours in other ports and the Algerian government has imposed the following precautionary measures: • The Sanitary Authorities and the Coast Guards, board all the vessels at roads to check whether the vessel and the crew came from or transited through a contaminated country for at least the last 14 days. • Always at roads, the Health Authorities medically examine all crew members to ensure that they show no symptoms or suffer from the corona virus, whether the ship came or not from a contaminated area. • In the event, the crew presents no risk of contamination, the Authorities impose to all members to wear masks and gloves as soon as the vessel berths. • Crew cannot go ashore, unless requested by his service. • No one can board or leave the vessel if his temperature is above 38 °C or shows signs of breathing difficulties.

5 April: a curfew implemented has amended from 15:00 to 07:00 for Bejaia, Oran and Algiers.

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Summary of the recent Sanitary regulations applicable to all ships coming from abroad:

Following documentation are additional to usual pre arrival requirements and must be sent prior vessels arrival holding yellow flag, otherwise Free pratique will not be granted.

- Copy of Medical Log book
- Register of body temperature to all crew and passengers if any.
- Crew change movements as from 01/12/2019.
- MHSD (Medical Health Ship Declaration)
- Individual Health Declaration form & questionnaires form

In case any crewmember or passengers present any sickness symptoms, free pratique will not be granted and vessel must comply the quarantine.

In addition, Migration authorities has cancelled all temporary and working VISA for all citizens coming from affected area, i.e. China, Japan, South Korea, Iran, Europe, USA, Brazil and Chile (these two countries just recently added....)

It has been advised by National Government that Foreign Citizens (Non-residents) will not be allowed to enter our country for the next 15 days, so far.

Notwithstanding the above, they have made the following exceptions always provided that said individuals don't show any signs of the virus and comply with further recommendation/instructions from National Sanitary authorities:

- people affected to the transportation of goods/commodities through Air, ground and Sea.
- crewmembers
- people related to flight operations and sanitary transfers

As a consequence, Vessels coming from ports abroad would be authorized to proceed alongside as long as they comply with special Sanitary requirements in force, such us crew health declaration, daily body temperature reports, details of crew changes that took place since Dec 1st 2019, copy of Medical logbook, Maritime health declaration and

special questionnaire for detecting potential COVID-19 cases.

Situation is being normalized at every port Area of Bahia Blanca, Necochea and Up River ports which were affected yesterday with some delays on berthing/ops. So far no delays registered due to Sanitary regulations

22 March: The Argentine Pilotage Chamber has advised that, from 0000 hours on 24 March, all vessels proceeding from Brazil and Chile must comply with a 14-day corresponding quarantine period as established by the National Government along with Sanitary Authorities.

Ports in Brazil & Chile are considered as affected areas with exponential risks to spread Covid-19. This will cause delays/logistic changes in line-ups/commercial drawbacks depending on vessels' last known port of departure prior to entering Argentine jurisdiction.

7 April: Pandi Liquidadores S.R.L advise that they provide an up to date COVID-19 section (www.pandi.com.ar). They summarise the current situation as follows:

- Argentina is under a mandatory social isolation / quarantine which will be in place, in principle, until 13th April 2020 (after being extended from its original ending date). However, it is expected that after 13 April restrictions will continue in place and would be lifted gradually, depending on the developments of the spread.
- The Government has considered that those activities which are urgent to enable international trade are exempted, therefore, ports and ships are operating. In principle, all ships calling Argentine ports must present specific pre-arrival information (72 hours before arriving) including the last 10 ports called, crew changes, ship's medical book, crew/passenger temperature records among others.
- Those ships which have called one of the areas considered specially affected by the outbreak (EU Members, Schengen Members, UK and North Ireland, USA, Korea, Japan, Iran, Chile and Brazil) would be subject to physical health inspection at Recalada Pilot Station (outer River Plate) by Coast Guards on behalf of health authorities. If the pre-arrival documentation on any ship, and the physical inspection for those calling from the "affected areas" do not reveal any Covid-19 case, or suspected case, the ship would in principle authorize to receive Pilots and proceed to port, where additional health inspections may take place. Otherwise the ship will be quarantined at the disposal of Health Authorities.

- Some ports have been affected by different players, such as unions, professional associations or locally-based authorities which request for any ship calling an “affected area” to have at least 14 days transit time since they departed from the last port. This would normally affect ships calling from Brazil – and Chile at some extent (due to short transit time). These ports are Necochea, Bahia Blanca, San Nicolas, Campana, Zarate, Rosario and San Lorenzo and other nearby ports may have the same tendency.
- Borders remain closed and there virtually no commercial flights. Therefore, crew changes or repatriations are not normally possible.
- Surveyors’ attendance on board would be subject to the particular circumstances of the case, and the possibility for them to attend at port or on board may be limited. Not only due to the risk of contracting the virus, but also because the isolation is mandatory and its breach is being prosecuted criminally by our authorities.
- Courts and Administrative entities have entered into an extraordinary recess during the mandatory isolation. No activity is taking place thereon unless urgent and unavoidable.

8 April: The port of Bahia Blanca is currently operating with no restrictions on LPG vessels or on vessels which have been at sea longer than 14 days and haven’t called at affected areas

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30-Mar **Chittagong**

Circular dated 30.01.2020 issued by Chittagong Port Authority states that in order to prevent the Coronavirus in the country, all the Shipping Agents will have to provide information stating that “Ship’s Master and his Crew members are free from Coronavirus“ at the time of giving declaration of arrival of the vessel. The Radio Control will confirm this with the Master on arrival of the vessel at outer anchorage and then will record the same in the “Fresh Arrival Book”.

Chittagong Port Authority announce suspension of crew changes of Merchant Ships calling at Chittagong Port for eight (8) weeks from 21 March. If a crew change is unavoidable, a 14 day self-isolation period is required. Foreign ships arriving at the Chattogram port will be quarantined for 16 days. If the ship does not take 16 days after leaving a foreign port, it will have to wait at outer anchorage of Chattogram port to complete the quarantine period.

Masters of all vessels calling at Mongla Port must submit before arrival at Fairway Buoy:

- ‘De-ratting’ Exemption Certificate

- Free Pratique Certificate
- Master's declaration that the onboard crew are free from Coronavirus
- From 19 March, shore passes will not be issued for any crew on board ships calling at Mongla Port. It has also been notified that crew change have been suspended and joining crew will not be permitted to enter Port Area/ Premises. Thus crew change at Mongla Port is no longer possible

25 March: The Ministry of Industries, Government of People's Republic of Bangladesh has imposed BAN on importation of any Scrap/Demolition Vessel and opening of Letter of Credit effective from 23.03.2020 till 07.04.2020.

27 March: The Department of Shipping, issued detailed guidance for ships calling at Chittagong, Payra and Mongla ports. It includes requirements and the Maritime Declaration of Health form which must be forwarded at least 72 hours prior arrival of the vessel at the port. If the maritime declaration of health given by the master is found to be incorrect and not reflecting the factual conditions of health of persons on board the vessel, the master is liable to be prosecuted as per applicable laws.

Belgium	GAC	24-Mar	Antwerp: All incoming ships must present a Maritime Declaration of Health (MDH), which the master must submit 24 hours before entering the port, stating whether there are any actual or suspected cases of illness on board together with a list of the last ten ports. The ship is checked for this by Saniport. If there are any suspicions, the ship may be obliged to remain off the coast and a doctor may go on board. The ship will not get a pilot and will not be permitted to enter port.
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The Port of Antwerp Covid-19 Taskforce [has] confirmed on 23 March that the port remains 100% operational thanks to the daily efforts and commitment of all employees. Handling on the terminals is going ahead normally, there is sufficient manpower available to deal with cargo, and drivers are arriving and departing without too much delay.

However, several points for attention are being monitored, including:

- The different approaches of Belgium and the Netherlands. Port of Antwerp is served by Flemish and Dutch pilots. The Dutch position starts from a controlled contamination, while the Flemish standard is much stricter.

- Manpower: at the moment everything is under control. The availability and allocation of employees is essential for correct functioning of all port services. In addition, fall-back scenarios are being drawn up to assure continuity of service.

Cameroon Ivory P&I 24-Mar A notice has been issued by the Port of Douala that advises of following measures to be taken:

- Vessels from “countries at risk” must wait at base buoy for a minimum of 14 days before being allowed to proceed into the channel.
- After 14 days, port health service will board vessel at base buoy to consider clearance.
- Upon berthing, the port health service will be the first to board. Other administrations and services must wait for free pratique before boarding.
- Deliveries to the vessel at base buoy is prohibited.
- Crew changes must be carried out under full supervision of port health service.

Cameroon closed its borders to all passengers from 18 March 2020. Announcing the measures, Prime Minister Joseph Dion Ngute said: “All passenger flights from abroad will be suspended except for cargo flights and ships carrying daily consumer goods as well as essential goods and materials, whose stopover times will be limited and supervised.”

Chile Cave & Co 3-Apr 18 February: The only preventive measures regard the protection of personnel at the country’s immigration points.

2 April: JRR Abogados advise of recent transitory measure implemented by Customs through its Resolution 1179, whereby it has authorised electronic exchanges and amendments to bills of lading. There are several grey areas regarding its interpretation and practical implementation, including with regard to potential delivery of cargo without surrender of the original bill of lading.

China Huatai Insurance Agency and Consultant Service Ltd 6-Apr Huatai summarises the protection and control measures implemented by the port Authorities of each major Chinese port:

Health declarations

1. Health declaration before berthing:

- Tianjin and Xiamen Health Declaration Form is required before vessel's berthing.
 - Dalian the Customs officers will attend on board the vessel and take temperature of each crew.
2. Vessels with crew from Wuhan or Hubei Province on board would be monitored especially.
 - Putian and Quanzhou of Fujian Province: may not be allowed to take berth.
 - Ningbo the vessel probably has to be isolated for 14 days before taking berth.
 3. Substitution of crew is limited.
 - Shanghai, Xiamen, Ningbo, Tianjin, Dalian forbidden by the port Authorities.
 - Qingdao and Guangzhou forbidden in principle, unless under some special circumstances.
 4. Crew disembarkation is strictly restricted by all ports
 5. During berth in the port, the crew should take preventive measures.
 - Dalian, Xiamen, Guangzhou: The crew must wear a facial mask when they have contact with others in the port.
 - Tianjin: The crew must wear a facial mask and temperature test should be taken every day. When any crew has fever, the Customs should be informed immediately.

Port congestion / port operation

1. The loading/discharging operation slow down due to lack of stevedores
2. The land transportation of cargo into the port or from the port is insufficient since trucks without local license are restricted to enter into the port area.
3. As vessels are restricted to call at Wuhan port, transshipment of cargo by inland river feeder vessels in and out the ports in the Yangtze River is affected.

Ports affected:

- Shanghai, Tianjin, Huanghua, Lianyungang, Jingtang and Caofeidian

Ports not affected:

- Dalian, Qingdao, Xiamen and Guangzhou

Supply of Provisions

Generally speaking, supply of provisions to foreign vessels is not restricted.

- Tianjin: Demand of Supply of Provisions be declared 24 hours in advance.
- Qingdao and ports nearby: Has limit to some of the provisions. Please check with local agents.
- Dalian: The provisions should be quarantined by Customs as usual.

Ship Repair

Due to lack of workers, the schedule of ship repair might be affected.

- Zhoushan as the local Government restricted the entrance of vehicles with license of other places and people from other places, the efficiency of the shipyards in Zhoushan decreased substantially.

Cargo Preparing

Some exported cargo could not be delivered to the loading ports in time due to transportation restriction in and out of Hubei Province. It is reported that China Council for the Promotion of International Trade would offer force majeure certificates to local companies, if they are unable to fulfil their international contractual obligations due to the coronavirus outbreak.

Huatai experiences of recent issues and cases (as of 13 Feb 2020) can be read by using link on the left. It includes two cases from Xiamen and Shanghai office that suggest that crew on board with cough or fever will cause several hours delay of discharging operation until the crew were excluded from NCP infection by medical examination. Also a case where a vessel was delayed 10 days due to an engineer from Hubei Province on board

We suggest Members whose vessels are scheduled to call at Chinese ports in the near future, to keep close contact with their local agent so as to get the latest port information, and to remind their crewmembers to take necessary protection measures.

Guidance was issued by the MSA of the People's Republic of China on March 2, 2020: Operational Guidance for Ships and Seafarers for prevention and Control of COVID- 19 Epidemic. It is with reference to the WHO and IMO Guidance on the prevention and control of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic on ships, and based on the practical

experience of shipping companies on the prevention and control of the epidemic. The Guidance aims to provide advice for the prevention and control of COVID-19 epidemic on ships and guidance for the personal protection of crew.

On March 20, 2020, the Shanghai authorities responsible for such matters issued a notice regarding new requirements and procedures to be followed making it possible in certain circumstances for crew change to take place at Shanghai port.

For ships not arriving from a “severe outbreak” country, crew changes can be arranged in the normal manner. However, if the ship is arriving from a “severe outbreak” country, crew changes should be minimized as much as possible, but are still possible subject to necessary quarantine measures.

Currently, 24 countries are on the “severe outbreak” list which includes South Korea, Italy, Iran, Japan, France, Spain, Germany, USA, UK, Switzerland, Sweden, Belgium, Norway, Denmark, Netherland, Austria, Australia, Malaysia, Greece, Czech Republic, Finland, Qatar, Canada, Saudi Arabia. This list is subject to update according to development globally.

Cyprus	Kalimbassieri s Maritime	18-Mar	Latest directive was issued by the Ministry of Health today and comes into effect as from tomorrow, 14th March which provides as follows: Category 1: Mandatory quarantine, under medical supervision, at their home (if available) or at a place designated by the Ministry of Health for 14 days after departure from any of the below countries irrespective of any apparent symptoms: • Hubei Province of China • Italy • Iran • Republic of Korea. Category 2: Self-isolation and telephone surveillance at their home or place designated by the Ministry of Health (avoiding close contact and travel, observing basic hygiene rules, monitoring and reporting symptoms at hotline 1420) for 14 days after departure from the following countries: • China (excluding Hubei Province) • Japan • Hong Kong • Germany
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- France
- Spain
- Greece (Territory of Achaia, Ilias and Zakynthos)
- United Kingdom
- Switzerland

Category 3: Self-monitoring (with instructions for adhering to basic hygiene rules and restricting travel to the most necessary) and in the event of symptoms to call hotline at 1420, for 14 days after leaving the following countries:

- Greece (excluding Achaia, Iliia and Zakynthos)
- Netherlands
- Sweden
- Belgium
- Singapore

The Directive provides that all passengers in categories 1 and 2 will be directed to the doctor's airport office whereas at ports self-isolation will be limited to cabins.

Given the above any passengers / crew arriving from Italy will not be disembarked unless the 14 day period has passed, irrespective of any sign of symptoms. No directive or law has been issued by the Authorities with respect to "detaining" a vessel. Although a vessel may be cleared in (given that no physical contact is required to clear her in) the crew / passengers arriving from countries in categories 1 and 2 will not be permitted to disembark unless the measures contained in the directive are complied with. Once the 14 days have passed then the crew / passengers can be disembarked.

Please also note that agents have also been requested to provide a questionnaire to crew and passengers for completion prior to entry and submission the Authorities.

All borders with the Turkish occupied territory of Cyprus have closed until further notice.

As of 16 March 2020 (18:00 hours) until 30 April 2020, entry into Cyprus will only be permitted to citizens – regardless of nationality – who fall into the following categories provided that they hold a medical certificate confirming that they are free of the virus (issued within 4 days prior to the date of travel). Such certificate may only be obtained from

designated centres in each country. Furthermore, upon arrival to Cyprus such persons will be quarantined for a period of 14 days in government quarantine facilities. It should be noted however, that practical difficulties in many countries are inhibiting the issuing of the required medical certificates thereby making travelling to Cyprus almost impossible.

- Cypriot citizens.
- Legal residents in the Republic of Cyprus.
- European nationals or third-country nationals working in the Republic.
- Nationals of countries who are in a designated diplomatic service or mission under bilateral or international conventions.
- Individual cases of European nationals or third-country nationals for unavoidable professional obligations, provided that the relevant authorization has been obtained from the competent Ministry.
- European or third country citizens attending educational institutions in the Republic of Cyprus.

Courts are permitting entry to their premises for urgent matters only and most hearings have been postponed.

All surveyors and agents have been advised by the Cyprus Ports Authority that they are not permitted to go onboard vessels if they can carry out their work electronically (e.g. dealing with forms). Those who must attend onboard (e.g. for loading/discharge operations, taking samples etc) must do so only once the Master confirms in writing to the relevant port authority that the crew will be isolated and kept away from those going onboard.

No crew changes are permitted (embarkation / disembarkation) within the territorial waters of the Republic of Cyprus.

After 03:00 hours on 21 March 2020, Cyprus will come under a “flights shut down” mode for 14 days, although empty flights shall continue so that persons wishing to leave Cyprus may depart.

Denmark	DUPI Copenhagen	25-Mar	A detailed description about the consequences of closing the borders for all foreigner, not having a valid documented reason for entry into the Kingdom of Denmark until April 13th, the Danish Police have published a QA, it can be found here. It is important to note, that the logistical supply chain is still open with no trading restrictions. As such, as far as that is concerned, it is business
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as normal.

25 March: The port of Esbjerg reports challenges with storage places, as loads of goods get delivered to port, however that some ships are delayed or postponed. The large number of goods, could be do the suppliers fear, that their goods cannot be delivered to port.

Dominican Republic	E&M International Consulting	17-Mar	The National Epidemiological Monitoring System (SINAVE) must be notified of any person presenting symptoms of the virus. Notification to the National Liaison Center for International Health Regulations (CNE-DIGEPI) could be performed by telephone, any day of the week, from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm at 1-(809) 686-9140 or toll free at 1-(809) 200-4091, from 8:00 pm to 8:00 am, also via mobile phone (829)-542-7009.
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17 March:

1. Cruise ships are not being allowed to dock in Dominican ports for the period of 30 days as of today 16th March 2020.
2. All flights inbound and outbound are suspended between the Dominican Republic and Europe, China, South Korea and Iran for the period of 30 days as of 16 March 2020.
3. A quarantine requirement is being imposed for visitors who have been in any of the above listed countries during the previous two weeks.
4. Health screenings have been placed at airports and all arriving passengers must complete a travel history form.
5. Ship cargo operations are being carried out normally at all ports for now. We strongly recommend that all crew must stay on board.

Gabon	Ivory P&I	24-Feb	• Any vessel wishing to call at the Ports of Gabon, must send to the Harbor Master's office of the port of call, three (03) days before its arrival: • The list of the ten (10) last ports called • The list of crews changed and the visas of the last ten countries called by these crews. • Any vessel coming from or having called at least one of the ports of the countries in the grip of the epidemic, whose duration of departure from these ports until arrival at the Ports of Libreville is between fifteen (15) and twenty eight (28) days, the procedure for
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call Gibraltar at either the Western Anchorage, East anchorage, North Anchorage, any alongside berth, Quick turnarounds, medical disembarkations, OPLA and OPLB.

The form is to be filled in, signed and stamped. No exemptions will be given. Agents are to stress to the captain to fill in this form carefully and to answer all questions. Please note that the following special conditions will apply to vessels who have answered yes to any of the questions in the declaration:

- Remote pilotage requirements will be applied to the vessel.
- No crew members will be allowed to disembark the vessel during its call at Gibraltar.
- With respect to ongoing operations shore personnel embarking / attending the vessel will not be allowed then to disembark.
- Shore personnel are to minimise all interaction with the crew as much as practically possible.
- The GPA reserves the right to further scrutinise any incoming vessel if it deems necessary in the interest of public health.

Agents will receive via email from the Vessel Traffic Service Supervisor (VTSS) a special condition clause. This clause is to be forwarded to the master and to service boat operators.

Service boat operators are to limit contact with crew members from the vessels that have been issued the “special condition cause”

If any vessel declares that crew members are suffering from any sickness in relation to this protocol/declaration, the vessel will be refused clearance at first instance and will be referred to other agencies on a case by case basis

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For vessels coming from countries where the virus is in a wide outbreak, all port personnel who visit on board and/or liaise with the vessel’s crew must wear simple protective face masks and maintain a minimum distance of more than 1 meter from any other person. Same measures apply to all visitors, either seafarers, surveyors, technical or vessel representatives included.

For all vessels docked in Piraeus Port Authority/ Piraeus Container Terminal premises regardless of the country of origin, for crew disembarkation/return, a private car provided by the vessel agent will be used for the crew transportation. Pick up and drop off point is the ship’s ladder and the crew will in no way mingle with the port employees.

Same measure applies for the transportation of all visitors who wish to enter the port facility. It should be clarified that any private bus, mini bus or taxi arranged by the agent for this purpose, should be accompanied to/from the vessel by a private car provided by the agent.

The port personnel is recommended to minimize contact with the vessels' crew and communications with the vessels are carried out by email to the extent possible.

Compulsory use of face masks and protective gloves is followed by stevedores who go on board to carry out their tasks

There are private companies engaged in disinfection, however when a vessel is believed to have been possibly affected by the disease, the State Hygiene Authorities will initiate action and decide for the measures to be taken

18 March: still no official measure in force in respect of a compulsory quarantine for cargo vessels calling in Greece. As from 15th March and until at least 15th April, there is a temporary suspension of Greece-Italy and Greece-Albania sea connections applicable to all passenger vessels and private yachts but this measure does not apply to any sea-going cargo vessels. In addition, cruise ship calls and disembarkation of passengers to any Greek port are temporarily restricted as a precaution in the context of limiting the spread of the COVID-19 virus to the public.

Haiti	E&M International Consulting	17-Mar	1. As of midnight, Monday March 16, 20 the government has implemented flight restrictions and closure of the border with the Dominican Republic. All flights to and from Haiti and destinations in the Dominican Republic, Canada, Latin America and Europe will be suspended for two weeks. Flights between Haiti and the United States will continue. 2. The Government of Haiti stated that all travelers from the U.S. must have a document showing that they have tested negative for coronavirus before boarding. The Government of Haiti did not specify what proof passengers should present and has not yet provided instructions to airlines. 3. The Government of Haiti will continue to conduct health screenings for arriving passengers. 4. The Minister of Interior announced that the border with the
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Dominican Republic will be closed to passenger traffic, but goods crossing the border will still be permitted if personnel transporting the goods are screened at the border.

5. CPS Terminal at Port au Prince is implementing the IMO's guidance. The Port Authority has not issued yet any memorandum regarding the other terminals.

6. Ship cargo operations are being carried out normally at all ports for now. We strongly recommend that all crew must stay on board.

Iraq	Gulf Agency Company (Kuwait) Ltd Mutual Marine Services Al Mushtaraka Ltd	27-Mar	Ministry of Communications General company of Ports for Iraq have informed all agents that Masters of vessels that have called at a Chinese port within the last 30 days before arriving in Iraq are requested to provide a statement 3 days before arriving in Iraqi territorial waters that crew onboard do not have any symptoms of corona virus (high temperature, sore throat, coughing or breathing difficulties). If any such symptoms are noted, the Master should inform port authority prior to arrival and await further instructions.
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17 March: The Iraqi government has imposed curfew in all cities of Iraq starting from 11 PM Tuesday 17th of March until 11 PM 23rd of March except for medical staff. As of now the impact on port operations is unknown

26 March: the curfew in Iraq has been extended until 11th April 2020. Currently all ports remain operational. Surveyors are able to attend for inspections with the requisite permission, so delays in getting a surveyor to a vessel will be experienced.

Israel	Wilhelmsen Ship Agency	07-Mar	Vessels that have visited in China's ports in last 15 days before arriving to Israel cannot enter Israel Each vessel must sent report to Ministry of Health of Israel before her arrival to Israeli port, stating that all crew and passengers are healthy and that the vessel didn't visit China in the last 15 days. The report must be approved by the Ministry of Health before her arrival to Israel. Without the approval, vessel cannot enter Israel. Foreign travelers who visited in China in the last 15 days is not allowed to enter Israel. Foreign travelers who have the symptoms of the virus (fever, cough or shortness of breath) is not allowed to enter Israel, regardless how many days passed.
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Vessels that arrive at the port and do NOT have people coming from countries for which the Ministry of Health has issued an alert (as of 2-Mar-2020) China, Hong Kong, Thailand, Singapore, Macau, South Korea, Japan, Italy, France, Germany, Switzerland, Spain, Austria – the ship can enter the port. If on the vessel there are people that in the past 14 days, or the vessel has been in a port in the past 14 days, in one of the countries listed above, the vessel shall enter the port with the following restrictions: – Avoiding contact with the crew as much as possible. – The crew will be refused to enter the country, e.g. a complete prohibition on disembarking. – All workers (port and not-port workers) who board the vessel must have personal protective equipment which includes: Mouth/nose mask according to Ministry of Health spec. Gloves according to Ministry of Health spec. It is hereby emphasized that the foregoing relates to vessels which have received approval from the Ministry of Health's declaration prior to entering the port.

Italy	Samer & Co. Shipping	27-Mar	PRESS RELEASE: WEDNESDAY, 11 March 2020 Italian Ports Association:
	Samer & Co. Shipping		Italian ports are fully operational and ensure safety of persons and goods. In full respect of the measures adopted by the Government with the primary objective of protecting public health as a result of the medical emergency, the Italian Ports Association (Assoporti) wishes to clarify that all Italian ports are fully operational with suitable measures to guarantee maximum safety of port operations and goods. Italian ports are fully operational with regular service to the national community and all their offices, including those devoted to controls, guaranteeing regularity of the sea activities.
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	BonelliErede		The measures adopted by the Government in no way restrict the movement of goods in the country. The precautionary obligation of the “Free Sanitary Practice” issued by the Local Office of Maritime Health remains in force, which authorizes ships to berth, and the Italian ports are ready to adopt any new measures that were to be issued by the Office of Civil Defense (so-called: Protezione Civile). Italy's prime minister published a decree on 9 March “laying down urgent measures to contain and manage the epidemiological emergency

brought on by COVID-19” and extending the emergency measures introduced by the previous day’s decree to all of Italy. The measures will be in force until 3 April, subject to any further measures being introduced. In brief, people must avoid travelling anywhere in the country. The head of Italy’s Civil Protection Service advise that the travel restrictions: (a) do not apply to the transport and transit of goods or to the entire supply chain to and from the affected areas; and (b) do not prevent individuals from travelling for work- or health-related reasons, or for other needs.

Local sources confirm there are no limitations for vessels entering the ports of Ravenna Trieste and Monfalcone

23 March: All Italian ports are open for container ships and commercial vessel for the traffic of goods, whilst an international suspension of cruise ship traffic and a national suspension (or drastic reduction) of passenger traffic for Sardinia and Sicily Islands are operative.

Terminals, stevedores and logistic activities are operating under strict rules and safety conditions to safeguard all operators, stevedores and crew members from potential exposure.

The Courts remain operative only for urgent procedures, such as arrest or payment injunctions, which can be filed electronically (system now in use in Italy). Mediation and negotiation proceedings are suspended until 15th April 2020. All time bars and prescription terms expiring between 9th March 2020 and 15th April 2020 are suspended.

Japan

GAC

7-Apr

23 March: Japan’s Ministry of Justice is denying permission to land to the following foreigners, unless the circumstances are exceptional. Foreigners who have stayed in any of the following cities/provinces/regions within 14 days prior to the application for landing:

- People’s Republic of China: Hubei Province, Zhejiang Province
- Republic of Korea: Daegu-guangyeok-si, or Cheondo-gun, Gyeongsan-si, Andong-si, Yeongcheon-si, Chilgok-gun, Uiseong-gun, Seongju-gun, Gunwigun in Gyeongsangbuk-do
- Islamic Republic of Iran: Gilan Province , Qom Province, Tehran Province, Alborz Province, Isfahan Province, Qazvin Province, Golestan Province, Semnan Province, Manzadaran Province, Markazi Province, Lorestan Province
- Italy: Veneto Region, Emilia-Romagna Region, Piedmont Region,

Marche Region, Lombardy Region, Aosta Valley Region, Trentino-South Tyrol Region, Friuli-Venezia Giulia Region, Liguria Region

- San Marino: whole country
- Swiss Confederation: Canton of Ticino, Canton of Basel-Stadt
- Spain: Chartered Community of Navarre, Basque Autonomous Community, Community of Madrid, La Rioja
- Iceland: whole country
- Foreigners who have Chinese passports issued in Hubei Province or Zhejiang Province in the People's Republic of China.
- Foreigners who were on the cruise ship, Westerdam, departed from Hong Kong.

7 April: A State of Emergency of Tokyo, Osaka, Hyogo(Kobe), Kanagawa(Yokohama), Chiba, Fukuoka(Hakata) and Saitama prefecture is declared. This Emergency declaration does not mean lockdown of these areas/cities but will be taken as strong message from the government.

Operation of harbor, port and terminal in the areas is not restricted and for the time being correspondents and local surveyors' service is/will be available as normal.

Korea	Spark International Ins-Ship Aide Ltd Wilhelmsen Ship Agency	3-Apr	15 March, the Korean government announced that special quarantine inspection will be carried out for those from the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Netherlands, Spain, as well as China (including Hong Kong and Macau), Japan, Italy and Iran and as of 16 March, all those from Europe are included. 22 March, the Korean government has implemented more tightened immigration procedures and announced that all foreigners and Koreans from Europe will undergo COVID-19 infection test on their arrivals and the long term stayers (more than 90 days) even though their test result is negative, will be subject to 2-week isolation for the 14-day quarantine period.
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2 April: All foreigners visiting Korea will be required to go through a mandatory 14 day quarantine.

Upon arrival, COVID-19 test will be carried out on the individual and thereafter, he/she will be taken to a government quarantine facility. Although the cost of COVID-19 test and treatment are covered by the Korean government, the individual will have to pay the usage charge of the quarantine facility.

For vessel and crew, a different standard is applied:

Vessels arriving in Korea post 14 days since departure from last port (regardless of country): Entry for vessel and crew is as same as prior to COVID-19 situation. Enhanced screening is not conducted on the vessel and 14 day quarantine is not required for the crew.

Vessels arriving in Korea within 14 days since departure from last port (regardless of country): Enhanced screening measure conducted with National Quarantine Station officers boarding the vessel to check the body temperatures of each crew along with handing out 'Health Questionnaire' and 'Travel Record Declaration' to be submitted by each crew member. Cargo operation is only allowed after the quarantine certificate is issued by the National Quarantine Station Officer. For crew to disembark or to enter Korea, he/she must be in possession of a working personal smart phone and must install the government specified 'Self-diagnosis Application' on the phone. 14 day quarantine is not required for the crew.

The latest stats by city and province can be found [here](#).

Kuwait	Inchcape Shipping Services	25-Mar	Kuwaiti Ports Authority announce that due to the recent increase in cases in Iran, the Kuwait port authorities have suspended all vessel movements from Iran for vessel calling Kuwait with immediate effect until further notice.
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Kuwaiti Ministry of Communications have informed all agents that as part of efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19, Kuwaiti ports are prohibited from receiving foreign ships arriving from/ departing to the following countries in addition to closing all Maritime ports and banning all arrivals from any Nationality during the past two weeks from the above countries until further notice:

the Republic of Korea, Italy, Thailand, Singapore and Japan as well as the Peoples Republic of China and Hong Kong

The Ministry of Commination's have further advised that in order to maintain efficient trade, ships carrying goods from the Republic of Korea, Italy, Thailand, Singapore, Japan, Peoples republic of China and Hong Kong will be allowed to berth with the emphasis of prohibiting direct contact with the crew and preventing them from disembarking from the ship. The period they have specified is two weeks of their departure from the affected ports.

With effect from 6 March, The Ministry of Health in Kuwait has imposed a ban on travellers arriving from, or who have visited in the last two weeks, the countries listed below:

Mainland People's Republic of China, South Korea, Italy, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Singapore, Hong Kong SAR, Thailand

On 12 March it was advised that the Kuwait government have taken a series of exceptional measures in a bid to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, halting commercial flights and sending public sector employees on a public holiday for two weeks starting from today until 26 March 2020.

Maritime navigation and normal operations at all Oil Terminals (Mina Al Ahmadi & Mina Abdulla) and Commercial ports (Shuwaikh and Shuaiba) will continue as usual without any hindrance.

24 March: Ministry of Communications advise that agents are required to provide in addition the usually required documentation before arrival:

- a copy of the ships' logbook for the last 30 working days – in English
- a copy of port clearance for the last 10 ports where cargo operations were carried out

Malaysia	SPICA Services	18-Mar	• Effective February 17 all respective companies must provide face masks, gloves and sanitizer to all personnel • Effective February 18 all foreigners from affected countries are required to fill declaration form provided by Immigration Department • Effective February 28 Not to Land (NTL) for all crews from Daegu, Cheongdon, Zhejiang, Hubei, Wuhan and Jiangsu, Lombardy, Veneto region. Crews that arrives at KUL Airport will be given a Health Alert Card which MUST be kept for the next 14 days Health Alert Card (HAC) issued by the MOH for passengers to declare their current state of health • Effective March 2 documents (maritime declaration of health, voyage memo crew list) must be submitted to Port Health officer within 48 to 72 hrs before vessel arrival • Effective March 9 all cruise vessels are barred from entry to Malaysian ports with immediate effect until further notice. Special entrance have been allocated for foreigners that arrived from
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affected country, screening will be done based on passport flight ticket.

- Effective March 16 cruise vessels can enter Malaysian Ports if in compliance with the terms as below
 - Disembarkation of crew which is seriously ill
 - To receive supplies (food, water, gas) and repair or maintenance work for the particular vessel
 - Disembarkation only for Malaysian Crew or Malaysian Nationality and should undergo health screening by Port Health prior to disembarkation
 - Vessel that has been or still on international waters but hasn't visited any other ports nor done any crew change or visitors from previous port
 - Cruise vessel has permission to dock at international waters
- Effective March 17 all cruise vessel yachts are barred from entering Malaysian ports and availing of immigration facilities. Passenger ferries are restricted from bringing foreign visitors into Malaysia. No sign on sign off formalities are allowed during this period. Only barter trade cargo vessels that bring food supply will be allowed to enter. Cargo vessel crew can be given landing pass but not allowed to go out from port area.
- **Johor (Pasir Gudang, Pengerang, Tanjung Pelepas, Tanjung Langsat)** Screening will be conducted at berth Temporary stop for SIRE inspection on board vessel If it is urgent and compulsory, it must be done at anchorage (SIRE inspector embark/disembark at anchorage)
- **Kuantan** Screening process will conducted at berth by the Port Health
- **Labuan** Vessel with less than 14 days departure from affected country will be put on Status B (quarantine at Berth) or status C (quarantine at anchorage) Ship shore leave will be suspended for vessels with status B and C
- **Lumut** Screening will conducted at berth No shore leave will be given until further notice by Port Health
- **Melaka** Screening will be conducted at anchorage
- **Penang** Screening will be conducted at anchorage
- **Port Dickson** Screening will be conducted at anchorage
- **Port Klang** Screening will be conducted at berth If any crew with fever over 38°C. Port Health shall arrange to transport the crew for medical attention. For Northport, all personnel are required to go through body temperature screening before being allowed to enter Northport premises

- **Sabah (Kota Kinabalu, Sipitang Sandakan, Lahad Datu Tawau)** Health screening by Port Health is required for Any vessel calling from a foreign country. Screening will be conducted at anchorage. Action Taken On Arrival will be issued by Immigration to master via local agent before arrival of vessel NTL for all crews if vessel had called affected country regardless of number of days
- **Sarawak (Bintulu Tanjung Manis)** Petronas LNG Terminal will implement virtual loading for all vessels from affected countries (South Korea, Japan, Italy, Iran) No personnel is allowed to board the vessel
- All visitors (foreign and domestic) coming into Sarawak and returning Sarawakians will issued a 14 Day Stay Home Notice (SHN). Exemptions shall only be given by the State Health Department to those who required to travel under special circumstances (official and business duties)

31 March: All vessels arriving at Malaysia are subject to quarantine clearance, irrespective of their last port of call. No crew change for foreign nationals is currently permitted at any of the country's ports.

Malaysia Movement Control Order (MCO) in brief:

- restricts movement and assembly nationwide;
- restricts travel for all Malaysians going overseas;
- restricts foreign visitors and tourists into Malaysia;
- closes all government and private premises except those involved in essential services.

Foreign nationals who are in Malaysia and Malaysians are advised to adhere to the MCO. Violators are liable to a maximum fine of MYR 1,000 or jail for up to six months or both.

With the Immigration Department Office being closed effective 19 March 2020, travelers whose visit passes expire during the MCO period are not able to secure a special pass or to extend their visit passes to remain in Malaysia with a valid pass.

Philippines	Pandiman	23-Mar	The Department of Health have issued Circular 2020-0034 dated 4 February 2020.
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	Del Rosario		Cruise Ships
	SPICA		
	Services		• Cruise ships that have sailed from China, Macau or Hong Kong in past 14 days are not allowed to dock in any Philippine port.

- Cruise ships that have not called in China, Macau or Hong Kong in past 14 days are allowed to dock but must provide health declaration, travel itineraries and undergo screening.
- No Filipinos are allowed to embark in any cruise ship going to China.

Cargo Ships

- All vessels that have sailed from China, Macau or Hong Kong in past 14 days must be boarded at the quarantine anchorage.
- Upon arrival at the quarantine anchorage, hoist the yellow flag at the foremast and immediately inform the quarantine station via agents. No embarkation or disembarkation allowed.
- Quarantine boarding formalities – Master to submit a health declaration and the Bureau of Quarantine will issue free pratique.

In all cases, the master must report to the Quarantine medical Officer (QMO) if any flu-like symptoms on board.

Waste disposal not allowed from vessels that called in China, Macau or Hong Kong in past 14 days.

Saudi Arabia	Mutual Marine Services Al Mushtaraka Ltd.,	30-Mar	Crew change is strictly prohibited for vessels arriving from outside the United Arab Emirates.
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Abu Dhabi

Abu Dhabi Ports announced on 10 March that the following will take effect for three months:

- Crew changes are prohibited for vessels arriving from outside Abu Dhabi
- No shore leave is permitted, including berth and jetty unless in case of emergency and subject to approval from harbour master

Sharjah

Operational vessel movements are regular at all ports managed by Sharjah Ports Authority, but the following measures have been introduced for vessels at Sharjah ports to prevent/control the spread of COVID-19:

- Masters of all vessels to provide IMO health declaration duly signed and stamped 72 hours prior to the vessel's arrival, along with port required pre-arrival information including last 10 port of vessel call details and crew list.

- Upon arrival of vessel into port, all crew must undergo health screening at designated facility located in ports.
- If any crew indicate any symptoms of Covid 19, authorities will take necessary actions to quarantine and further medical interrogation.
- Until completion of health screening and clearance from Port (verbal approval) no crew is permitted to go onshore (except health screening) nor any personnel are permitted to go onboard vessels.

Since 17 March, the issue of all types of visas (tourist, visit visa, mission visa & seaman visa) for embarking/disembarking crew members has been suspended/deleted from the online immigration system.

As an additional precautionary measure, effective from today (19 March), the UAE has suspended entry of residency visa holders who are currently out of the country, for a renewable period of two weeks.

The issuance of all types of labour permits, including for drivers and domestic workers, has also been temporarily suspended until further notice. This decision excludes intra-corporate transfer permits and employment permits for Expo 2020.

Crew embarkation/disembarkation and shore leave passes are strictly restricted.

Offshore attendance at Khor Fakkan port has been temporarily suspended until further notice due to COVID-19

Boarding on any vessel by vessel agents/owners/representatives and surveyors will be permitted only in exceptional circumstances and will be subject to prior approval from the Port Authority. Therefore note at present no surveyors are being allowed to board vessels in Jebel Ali and Abu Dhabi ports. Sharjah and Ras Al Khaimah have not yet restricted the surveyors attendance.

Fujairah

No crew will be permitted to disembark for medical assistance. Any medical assistance should seek boarding of medical team from the Fujairah Port Medical Centre.

Singapore	SSA – Singapore	7-Apr	Since 24 January 2020, the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) has implemented temperature screening at all sea checkpoints,
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including ferry and cruise terminals, PSA terminals and Jurong Port, for inbound travelers.

PORT MARINE CIRCULAR NO. 16 OF 2020 (23 March)

National Environment Agency's (Port Health Office) requirements for all vessels arriving Port of Singapore to submit the Maritime Declaration of Health to the Port Health Office.

The master of the ship is recommended to implement the following additional precautionary measures:

- Educate crew/passengers of the symptoms of COVID-19, which are:
 - Fever (i.e. temperature above 37.5 degree Celsius);
 - Runny nose;
 - Cough; and
 - Shortness of breath
- Carry out daily temperature checks for all crew/passengers at least twice daily;
- Isolate unwell crew/passengers when his/her temperature is above 37.5 degree Celsius. The unwell crew/passengers should also wear a mask; and
- Disinfect common areas and rooms in the vessel before arrival in Singapore. The disinfection may be conducted by the ship's crew en-route to Singapore. You can refer to the Interim Guidelines for Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection of Areas Exposed to Confirmed Case(s) of COVID-19 in Non-Healthcare Premises issued by NEA for guidance on the disinfection protocols, if needed

PORT MARINE CIRCULAR NO. 17 OF 2020 (23 March).

From 23 March 2020, 2359 hours, all short-term visitors, from anywhere in the world, will not be allowed to enter or transit through Singapore. MPA will apply these additional precautionary measures to all vessels calling at the Port of Singapore.

The Port of Singapore remains open for cargo operations and marine services, including shipyard repairs.

With the application of the additional precautionary measures, crew and passengers on short-term visits will not be allowed to disembark in

Singapore for the time being. Crew change in Singapore is also disallowed for the time being.

The National Environment Agency's (NEA) Port Health requires all vessels arriving at Singapore to submit the Maritime Declaration of Health Form

PORT MARINE CIRCULAR NO. 18 OF 2020 (23 March)

MPA has taken the following enhanced measures for vessels arriving Singapore:

- All crew members are advised to take their temperature twice daily;
- All crew members are advised to maintain good hygiene in accommodation areas by cleaning frequently touched surfaces (e.g. desks, door handles, switches, telephones, etc).
- Shipmasters should isolate unwell crew and passengers.
- Shipmasters are required to report unwell crew/passengers to MPA and NEA's Port Health Office (PHO), and make the necessary arrangements to seek medical attention.
- Shipmasters should follow the National Environment Agency's (NEA) guidance for disinfecting common areas and rooms.

All suspected cases of COVID-19 crew/passengers will be assessed and/or tested for COVID-19. If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 on board any vessel, PHO will quarantine the vessel at a designated anchorage or wharf, and in consultation with MOH provide the quarantine requirements for the crew and passengers. During the quarantine period, operations will not be allowed until the quarantine is lifted. If there is a need for any critical operation, PHO's approval will be required and all persons working onboard will be required to don the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) which may include surgical gowns, masks and gloves.

If there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 on board vessels, there is no restriction on operations.

27 March: Singapore MPA have issued a Circular – CREW CHANGE FOR CARGO SHIPS UNDER SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE PORT OF SINGAPORE, TO MINIMISE RISK OF COMMUNITY SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) IN SINGAPORE, which can be found [here](#)

PORT MARINE CIRCULAR NO. 20 OF 2020 (3 April)

Singapore Ministry of Health (MOH) issued “Additional Measures to Minimise Further Spread of COVID-19”. All business, social, or other activities that cannot be conducted through telecommuting from home will be suspended from 7 April 2020 to 4 May 2020 (inclusive); Essential Services and their related supply chains, as well as entities that form a part of the global supply chain, are exempted from the suspension.

The Port of Singapore will remain open for cargo operations and will continue to provide essential marine services including bunkering, ship stores and ship supplies.

Spain	MedPandi Indeco	27-Mar	The Spanish Government has implemented the “State of Alarm” in Spain for fifteen (15) days – extendable depending on the evolution of the situation. Thus, the Spanish Government has established measures that can limit the circulation or presence of persons or vehicles at certain times and in certain places, amongst others. Port and logistic activities related to cargo vessels will continue. However, personal interaction with personnel from local companies (agents, stevedores, suppliers, etc.) can have certain restrictions; all in views to prevent the spread of the COVID – 19 and guarantee the health of local personnel and crew on board.
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All procedural deadlines, hearings and trials, as well as time bars, are suspended during the period of emergency declared back on 14 March 2020 until at least mid-April 2020.

19 March: Port Authorities have informed that they have maintained with normality the operations that were previewed at their ports. Sanitary measures have been taken in order to minimize any risk of contagious by COVID -19. Crew changes are not allowed during the State Alarm period, at any of the Spanish Ports. If a change of crewmember has to be carried out due to medical reasons, immediate notification shall be made to agents so that the corresponding protocol be put in place by the Authorities.

23 March: Spain to prolong the State of Alarm two more weeks up and until 11 April 2020. There are restrictions to citizens’ movement who have to remain confined in their homes. Border controls have been resumed with France and Portugal. International flights restricted and only Spanish residents and nationals are allowed in the country. Cruise

and passenger ships are restricted.

Ports are operating, loading and discharge of goods is on-going. Stevedores and personnel attending on board vessels have to take basic precaution such as the use of masks and keep a safety distance of 1.5 mts from each person in contact

Thailand	SPICA	1-Apr	18 March: Vessels that called Chinese ports before Thailand must report any symptoms of crew passengers onboard, with intensive screening for those who were in China 14 days prior Symptoms must be reported 24 hours prior arrival.
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Any ships from China, HK, Macao, Taiwan, Japan, South Korea, Singapore, Germany, France, Italy and Iran will be monitored by health control Master of all ships must report temperature of crew on board every day, 7 days before arrival in Thai waters.

Authorities will attend on board to perform quarantine screening.

All crew must have thermal scans and fever condition checked If any crew have fever or a suspected symptom, s/he will be placed under 14 days of quarantine and further check by hospital. If individual is found to be infected with Covid 19 on board, that vessel is prohibited to enter the port until health authorities ensure that vessel is free from infection

1 April: The requirement to show evidence of health certificate and health insurance for all crew which the Thai authorities announced on 19 March has now been cancelled and has now been superseded by another announcement on 26 March where both the need to show evidence of a health certificate and health insurance are no longer required.

United Arab Emirates	Mutual Marine Services – al Mushtaraka LLC	6-Apr	Abu Dhabi Abu Dhabi Ports announced on 10 March that the following will take effect for three months: • Crew changes are prohibited for vessels arriving from outside Abu Dhabi • No shore leave is permitted, including berth and jetty unless in case of emergency and subject to approval from harbour master
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United Kingdom	GAC	12-Mar	Milford Haven – Dragon LNG have the following procedures in place with immediate effect: • Ships agents to only board vessels if they need to have a face to face conversation with Master or for Cash to Master deliveries. • The following personnel will not be allowed to transit the terminal or board the vessel • Company staff from shipping company • Surveyors, Class, P&I etc. • Service engineers attending non-critical ships equipment • Sire Inspectors and Auditors • No crew changes will be allowed at Dragon LNG. Personnel will be allowed to sign off the vessel but no personnel will be allowed to join. • Service engineers who need to attend for repair of critical ship systems will require a risk assessment to be carried out in conjunction with marine manager at Dragon LNG and the shipping company. • Shore leave will be allowed. • Ship welfare visits will not be allowed unless in an emergency and the Marine Manager will decide whether the Port Welfare Chaplain may visit onboard or will arrange a convenient location for a confidential meeting.
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Government agencies visiting the vessel will only be allowed in an emergency or after completing a Coronavirus questionnaire.

USA – Federal (All States)	Hudson Tactix	20-Mar	The USCG now considers any ill person onboard a vessel, regardless of where they have been or who they have interacted with, who show symptoms of COVID-19 or other flu like illness to be a hazardous condition as per 33 CFR 160.216. Accordingly, the owner, agent, master, operator, or person in charge must immediately notify the nearest Coast Guard Sector Office (Captain of the Port – COTP) or Group Office. U.S. Flag commercial vessels are advised to report ill crewmembers in accordance with the requirements of each foreign port called upon. As the Master is likely to be the first person in charge aware of an ill crewmember, we strongly recommend the Master to immediately notify
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the nearest USCG COTP as per above, in addition to the U.S. CDC immediate reporting requirements.

The CDC have issued interim guidance for ships:

<https://www.cdc.gov/quarantine/maritime/recommendations-for-ships.html>

USCG MSIB 02-20 (Change 3) dated March 16, 2020, which details the above USCG reporting requirement. It also covers the latest Presidential Proclamation restrictions on persons arriving to the USA, as well as other USCG guidance and information for vessel owners and operators.

Vietnam	SPICA Services	18-Mar	Immigration office has announced below information which is applied from 15 March until further notice:
	Budd Group		1. China, Hong Kong, Macau, Korean, Italian, Iran are not allowed to entry Vietnam. 2. Visa exemption of Japan, Korea, United Kingdom, French, Germany, Italy, Spain, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland are not accepted. 3. Stop issuing visa for United Kingdom & Schengen countries. 4. Visa on arrival at airport of all nationalities are not accepted. Exit visa at port are not accepted either. 5. All nationalities will apply visa at Vietnam embassy of their countries. Condition for visa application will depends on requirement of Vietnam embassy at each country. 6. The rest of nationalities who can enter Vietnam by exemption visa or valid visa, if immigration officer find out they have visited areas like UK, Schengen countries, China, Korea, they have two options: • OPTION 1 Continue Vietnam entry, then they are isolated for 14 days, after 14 days if they are negative of covid 19 they are allowed into entry Vietnam. • OPTION 2 Fly out of Vietnam. 7. Upon arrival airport, if quarantine officer finds out someone has a symptom of covid 19 they will isolate everyone on this flight, all guests on flight will have two options: • OPTION 1 Continue Vietnam entry, then they are isolated for 14 days, after 14 days if they are negative of covid 19 they are allowed

into entry Vietnam

- OPTION 2 Fly out of Vietnam

8. For shipping line related to crew change attending vessel, send below info for checking with immigration quarantine office

- List of 10 last port call
- nationality of crew technician superintendent, etc

9. If the vessel called China, Hong Kong, Macau, Korea, EU Ports, crew change cannot be arranged crews on board are not allowed to go on shore for all purposes.

10. For vessels that have not called the listed ports, crew change can be arranged with some conditions Quarantine officer at port will:

- On signer: check temperature or health condition before allowing enter port.
- Off signer: they may check temperature daily and or the date of repatriation.

Source of Information: The North of English P&I Club