

# FONASBA COVID-19 BULLETIN



## AN UPDATE ON MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 BY MERCHANT SHIPPING – No. 59 19.08.2020

Further updates on COVID-19 precautions have been received from members as summarized below. As always, please contact the relevant association for more guidance.

<b>Croatia</b>	<p>Croatia is acting in accordance with the EU Healthy Gateways advice.</p> <p>All ports are fully operational.</p> <p>All passenger ships activities have been allowed but with maximum 200 passengers on board.</p> <p>All crew change activities have been allowed.</p> <p>Non-EU crewmembers are requested to leave Croatia within 12 hours after signing off the ship.</p> <p>Reporting requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. In addition to the standard reporting requirements prior to a ship's arrival the ship's master via agent shall communicate to the Croatian Maritime Administration and Sanitary Inspection a list of persons on board containing information on dates and ports of embarkation.</li><li>2. National VTS service is monitoring movements of all ships on international voyages and if entering Croatian sea waters is contacting them on VHF and also informing national services.</li><li>3. In case of suspected infection of persons on board the ship shall be denied entry into port until the sanitary inspectors have identified the health status of persons on board the ship.</li><li>4. If an infection is confirmed the ship shall be denied entry into port and the infected person shall receive specific medical treatment in accordance with a specified protocol.</li><li>5. If the ship departs before laboratory results are obtained the master and the next port of call shall be given a notification of the patient's condition and eventual confirmation of an infection.</li><li>6. In case the laboratory test confirms the infection before ship departure, the patient shall be disembarked and hospitalized subject to the recommended safeguards by medical personnel and advance notice of the patient's transport will be given to the appropriate hospital.</li></ol> <p>All shipping agencies were notified of the obligation to provide the Croatian Maritime Administration and Sanitary inspectors with the information on embarkation port and date for all persons on board, through national maritime single window.</p>
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