

FONASBA COVID-19 BULLETIN



AN UPDATE ON MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 BY MERCHANT SHIPPING – No. 68 18.09.2020

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

Egypt	<p>Procedures for organising crew changes via Egyptian ports have recently been updated and are summarised as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1- The agent to present the crew list for the off signers 48 hrs prior Vessel arrival to the local Quarantine Authority of the port.2- All on signor crew members arriving to the Egyptian airport must have valid PCR latest by 48 hrs prior arrival to the airport, The PCR must state the name of the passenger in accordance to the name written in the passport, photo, date and time of collection of the PCR, signed and stamped by the country LAB.3- All off-signer crew members must make PCR onboard at the arrival port, and they can disembark only after the result of the PCR is negative.4- Those crew members with positive PCR are not allowed to disembark the vessel.
Portugal	<p>As from 15th September 2020, Portugal enhanced its COVID-prevention measures due to a recent increase in cases. In terms of restrictions on the maritime sector however, only cruise ships continue to be subject to those restrictions, all other sectors are operating normally.</p> <p>As per Ministry Council Resolution no. 8844-A/2020, the Government is maintaining the current ban on disembarkation and licenses for passengers and crew members of cruise ships in all Portuguese ports. This resolution will be in force until 30th September 2020 and may be subject to a new extension.</p>