

# CORRESPONDENT'S ADVICE

**ISRAEL**

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## COVID-19, crew change

*The following information was received from our correspondent on 12 December:*

### QUOTE

Hereunder a free translation of an update from the Israel Chamber of Shipping on the new restrictions.

“ The Ministry of transport in Israel decided on 12.12.21 to extend by 10 days their previous decision not to allow crew changes in Israeli ports.

An exception allowance for crew changes was approved for the gas vessel at the port of Hadera and ships that trade along the coast of Israel only that are not calling foreign ports.

For these ships crew changes will for approved subject to the following :

- Crew members have to be vaccinated.
- Corona test result 48 hours prior arrival to Israel.
- Country of origin should not be Blacklisted country as determined by the state of Israel.
- Application for the crew changes have to be passed to the Israeli ministry of transport for their approval 5 working days prior to the crew member flight.
- After arrival to Israel the crew member has to pass PCR test at Ben Gurion airport.
- The crew member will have to be isolated for 3 days after arrival to Israel on board the ship .

( for crew member that arrive to the gas vessel at the port of Hadera isolation should take place at an hotel.)

- A further PCR test will have to be carried out on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day after arrival to Israel.



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- The land transport from Ben Gurion airport to the ship/hotel should be straight without any stoppages.”

Hope all is clear and I will keep you updated of any further developments.

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