

CORRESPONDENT'S ADVICE

VIETNAM

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Coronavirus, COVID-19

The following information was received from our correspondent on 16 May:

QUOTE

We hope this message finds you well, we would like to update situation of Vietnam ports with outbreak covid-19, together with action from local authorities for vessels on arrival/ crew change..

A - At the North of Vietnam:

(1). At Quang Ninh Province - For port name : CAI LAN, HON GAI port, HALONG anchorage - this is information of formalities for vessel berthing :

At the moment:

- When vessel arrival Pilot Station (P/Stn) - Quarantine Officers will board vessel for health checking crew, temperature, cleaning and disinfecting vessel.
- TESTING will be done, if requested and suspected infection of coronavirus.
- Inward clearance will be done after completion checking by Quarantine Officers (with all crews in good health - without high temperature)
- Vessel will proceed to anchorage or berthing for cargo operation normally.
- Crews will also NOT be permitted for shore going, just maintain on board during cargo operation only.

Vessel will be at berth or at anchorage to handle cargo operation without any trouble and/or delay, no any quarantine vessels in Vietnam.

(2) - Hai Phong City - for port name : HAIPHONG port area, CHUA VE port, HOANG DIEU port, VIP Green Container Terminal.



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At the moment:

- When vessel arrival Pilot Station (P/Stn) - Quarantine Officers will board vessel for health checking crews, temperature, cleaning and disinfecting vessel.
- TESTING Covid -19 will be done, if requested and suspected infection of coronavirus.
- TESTING Covid-19 100% crewmembers from vessels which last ports of call at : India, Philippines, Malaysia, and Indonesia calling to Haiphong area for cargo operation. The result of testing will be delayed 24hrs.
- Inward clearance will be done after completion checking by Quarantine Officers (with all crews in good health - without high temperature)
- Vessel will proceed to berth for cargo operation normally.
- Crews will also NOT be permitted for shore going, just maintain on board during cargo operation only.

Vessel will be at berth for handling cargo operation without any trouble and/or delay, no any quarantine vessels

B - At the Central of Vietnam:

Nghe An, Ha Tinh, Da Nang, Quang Ngai province - for port name : SON DUONG, VISSAI, DUNG QUAT...

At the moment - the same with above (Quang Ninh Province)

C- At the South of Vietnam :

Vung Tau City - Ho Chi Minh City - The South of Vietnam for all ports : CAI MEP, PHU MY/ BARIA SERECE, SP-PSA, SITV, SSIT, ... BEN NGHE PORT, HO CHI MINH area port.

At present time:

- When vessel arrival Pilot Station (P/Stn) - Quarantine Officers will board vessel for health checking crew, temperature.
- TESTING will be done, if requested and suspected infection of coronavirus



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-Inward clearance will be done after completion checking by Quarantine Officers (with all crews in good health - without high temperature)

-Vessel will proceed to berth for cargo operation normally.

-But Crews will also NOT be permitted for shore going, just maintain on board during cargo operation only.

-SIGN-OFF crews can be done case by case for crew from vessel to shore for isolation 21 days (together with 07 days at home)

-Crews/Vessels from last port of call at outbreak area such as India, Indonesia... - will be considered case by case before repatriation (Applying many methods, testing by CDC)

Vessel will be at berth for handling cargo operation without any trouble and/or delay, no any quarantine vessels

In summary

- There is no any quarantine vessel on arrival, no any delay of vessel for cargo's operation after checking by Quarantine Officers with suitable health condition.

- Vessel with crews Positive Condition after testing Covid-19 will be not arranged INWARD CLEARANCE to Vietnam, then can sail from P/stn to open sea (Case by case without any written notice from local authorities). In some cases, consideration and decision by Government for further action.

- SIGN-OFF crew can be done with consideration case by case from local authorities in applying VISA (In acceptance, crew must be isolated at shore 21 days together with 07 days at home)

- In some ports with local good agents - When vessels are underway to Vietnam, they are requesting vessel/ Master to advise health condition/ crew's temperature daily to them in order to report to Quarantine/ CDC in advance for their quick checking on arrival at P/stn.

Due to local regulations changing frequently Members are advised to confirm the latest COVID-19 restrictions with local agents prior to a vessels arrival. AND/OR contacting with Correspondent - Wallem Vietnam



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Medical Assistance

Medical assistance remains available. In an emergency crews can be taken to hospital by ambulance with CDC escort to hospital and will be subject to testing for Covid-19 and isolation for 21 days.

COVID-19 Vaccination requirements and information : No information is known on seafarers COVID-19 vaccination requirements.

Crew changes for local and foreign crews are approved on a case by case basis and subject to restrictions including quarantine

Crews/Vessels from last port of call at India, Philippines, Malaysia, and Indonesia - will be considered case by case before repatriation (Applying many methods, testing Crew Changes Allowed by CDC)

Hope that Club and Members will have more information of this matter for vessels' schedule. We are available in Vietnam for any further assistance.

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