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Global Health Risks: Latest information and updates

In recent years, global health crisis' such as the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic have impacted the safety of seafarers and has made maritime operations more challenging.

Advice

We advise all Members to keep up-to-date with the advice published by the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Both organisations are experts in this field and guide the Club.

The Club has also created a Health and Wellbeing resource page to assist Seafarers with finding advice on how to maintain positive health.

Members should be aware that in addition to the precautions required in known high risk areas, further restrictions and health checks may be imposed by port authorities of countries Members subsequently visit.

We recommend that Members keep in contact with our Correspondents in the area for the most up-to-date information regarding outbreaks, including any new restrictions or procedures that may be imposed in the local vicinity.

In addition, the 12 member P&I Clubs of the International Group have launched an online digital tool (dashboard) to assist shipowners, charterers, operators and other parties in the maritime sector to track country and port specific advice, detailing the measures being put in place in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Access to this online dashboard is available by means of either of the following links:

Desktop Dashboard

Mobile Dashboard

From the World Health Organisation (WHO)

04/05/2023

Marburg virus disease (MVD): Overview, symptoms and treatment

23/07/2022

Monkeypox: [Overview, symptoms and Treatment](#)

[Monkeypox outbreak](#)

[Monkeypox: Global Trends](#)

23/12/2021

[An implementation guide for the management of COVID-19 on board cargo ships and fishing vessels](#)

From the International Maritime Organization (IMO)

31/05/2021

Multi-country monkeypox outbreak in non-endemic countries. [Circular Letter No.4575](#)

22/04/2021

Recommended framework of protocols for ensuring safe ship crew changes and travel during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic issued as [MSC.1/Circ.1636.](#)

27/04/2020

[Table of documents collating COVID-19 related communications issued by Member States and Associated Members.](#)

From the International Labour Organisation (ILO)

10/07/2020

The second revision of [Note on Maritime Labour Issues and Coronavirus (COVID-19).](#)

From the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS)

29p06/2022

Shipping Policy Principles for [Pandemic Recovery](#)

18/04/2022

The Impact of COVID-19 on [Shipping, Seafarers and Maritime Labour Markets](#)

11/04/2022

The 2nd edition of the [Seafarer Shore Leave Principles](#).

31/03/2022

The 2nd edition of the [Roadmap for Vaccination of International Seafarers](#)

28/02/2022

The 3rd edition of the [Vaccination for Seafarers and Shipping Companies: A Practical Guide](#)

21/02/2022

The 5th edition of the [Guidance for Ship Operators for the Protection of the Health of Seafarers](#)

23/12/2021

The 2nd edition of the [Legal, Liability and Insurance Issues arising from Vaccination of Seafarers](#)

13/09/2021

The 3rd edition of the: [Vaccination for Seafarers and Shipping Companies: A Practical Guide, Third Edition | International Chamber of Shipping](#)

From the International Group of P&I Clubs (IG P&I)

14/07/2021

[Vaccination of Seafarers - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) relating to P&I Club Cover](#)

06/05/2020

IG STC: [COVID-19 related guidelines for ensuring a safe shipboard interface between ship and shore based personnel](#)

From the International Association of Classification Societies (IACS)

22/04/2020

COVID-19 hub page

From the EU Healthy Gateways

03/06/2020

ECSA Revision of the EU Healthy Gateways: Advice for preparedness and response to cases of COVID-19 on board ferries in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

Other

07/04/2020

An article prepared by a Campbell Johnston Clark (CJC) addresses some of the main legal issues which are likely to arise as a result of prohibitions and obstructions arising out of the outbreak of COVID-19, in the context of shipping contracts.

06/04/2020

The Workboat Association have produced a *Good Practice Guide for the control of COVID-19 on board Workboats*, to ensure organisations protect the health of seafarers, passengers and public, and to maximise efficiency when responding to an emergency situation related to COVID-19.

01/04/2020

The International Maritime Pilots' Association (IMPA) have created a hub to collate various government guidelines on *Pilotage Practices* in their jurisdiction.

31/03/2020

As Members will be aware, ports are now commanding various restrictions on vessels and crew. A resource which may be of assistance to assist with travel restrictions and/or vessel

movements is the *[World Port Sustainability Programme's World Ports COVID-19 Information Portal](#)*.

25/03/2020

The Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) [published the exceptional measures in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic](#) to ensure a good performance of Rhine navigation.

20/03/2020

Leading maritime e-learning providers, Videotel and Seagull, have partnered to produce a free video for crew which details the measures that can be taken on board to prevent and contain the spread of Coronavirus on board.

19/03/2020

BIMCO have produced advisory posters to help protect against the spread of Coronavirus on board ships. There are three, easy to print, black-and-white posters which are highlight specific risks in different locations, both on board and shore side.

- Shoreside of the gangway ([A3](#)/ [A4](#))
- Shipside of the gangway ([A3](#)/ [A4](#))
- Various locations in the accommodation ([A3](#)/ [A4](#))