

## Update on Covid Current Situation

A. If crew changes are allowed for both nationals to that country and for foreign nationals; and if so, what are the restrictions or difficulties?

It is kindly submitted that there is no restriction from Immigration/Customs Authorities for joining/repatriation of crew members at Karachi/Bin Qasim Ports, subject to confirm flights for in/out crew.

B. Are seafarers able to access medical attention ashore for both COVID-19 and non-COVID illnesses and injuries?

For non-COVID illness we observe that the seafarer allow for the medical attention.

C. What quarantine and testing regimes are in place for seafarers joining and disembarking the vessel?

FOR THE ON-SIGNERS: they should have done their COVID-19 PCR test prior embarkation at airport and send us copy of the result.

FOR THE OFF-SIGNERS: they also need to be done COVID-19 PCR test at Karachi/Bin Qasim Ports (which will be arranged by the agent onboard through airline's authorized lab, reports to be received after 24/36 hours.) and upon receiving negative result and confirmed air ticket up to hometown they will be allowed to disembark from Karachi/Bin Qasim Ports.

Please note that the off signers flight should be arranged during vessel's stay at berth as per instructions from Immigration Authority, as in case of flight cancellation, crew to re-join the vessel at respective Port.

D. What is the impact on port operations and surveyor attendance?

Precautionary measures are to be adopted strictly, the rest port operation is ongoing and its normal phase.

E. How are commercial courts affected and impact on time bars, such as suspensions and extensions?

Things were better in past few weeks as the courts were operating normal, however, again the Micro Lockdown is announced by the state, due to increase in COVID-19 cases, as such, it would again have impact on the normal court proceedings/hearings.

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