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## NOTICE TO MARINERS

### NO. 3 OF 2022

### Port guidance related to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

This notice should be read in conjunction with:

- HSE Guidance: <https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/>
- [Port of Cork Notice to Mariners No. 1 of 2020](#)

Please note that notice to mariners number 3 of 2020 is hereby cancelled.

#### For the specific attention of all Vessel Masters and Agents

With the easing of national restrictions regarding Covid 19 and the removal of the requirement to report Covid 19 on a vessel's Maritime Declaration of Health (MDOH), the following is requested by the Port of Cork Company:

#### Before arrival:

If there are any positive cases of Covid 19 on board a vessel, the vessel's agent should notify the shipping support manager & harbour master with details. Depending on the severity, this will allow appropriate contingency plans to be drawn up and agreed prior to arrival.

Further as an additional courtesy to Port of Cork Pilots or Port Staff whilst onboard:

1. Guidance on protecting yourself and others from COVID 19 as issued by the [HSE](#) should be adhered to. This includes Social Distancing and wearing of face coverings. The HSE provides clear instructions for the precautions and these should be posted on board for all personnel. These notices are available in [several languages](#).
2. The team meeting the Pilot should not attempt to have physical contact with the Pilot – ie no hand shaking etc. and shall remain at least two metres away from the pilot and wear face coverings.
3. The bridge team and the Pilot will respect each other's personal space as practical during the pilotage transit (a distance of [at least 2 metres apart](#) should be maintained where possible and face coverings shall be worn).
4. The surfaces along route to the bridge should be clean, and where possible narrow corridors well ventilated.
5. Bridge surfaces, navigation equipment, VHF radios, should be cleaned with an appropriate sanitising solution prior to the vessel arrival at the pilot boarding station.
6. The bridge is to be effectively ventilated with a door / bridge window open, or if none are present the air conditioning will be sourced from outside air.
7. All personnel interacting with the pilot must observe the [hand sanitation guidelines from the HSE / WHO](#).

## Cruise – (if applicable)

### -- **Currently Cruise Calls are suspended to Ireland** --

1. Local tourism ambassadors will not board the vessel until further notice. Tourism information will be emailed to the vessel directly.
2. All vessels should have an adequate supply of hand sanitation wash for passengers and crew at the disembarkation gangways, internally and externally.
3. All vessels will display the appropriate information relating to COVID-19 in public areas for passengers and crew.
4. Passengers should disembark and proceed to the excursion buses or other transport, please do not linger at the gangway area.
5. The cruise line should notify all official tour operators to ensure all buses are sanitised prior to passengers boarding for day trips.
6. No unnecessary ship visits are to be scheduled during the port stay. Visitors will be stopped by Port Security until the ship has verified the visit is essential.
7. Large groups of shore visitors going onboard shall be prohibited (i.e Travel Agents, Schools visits etc)
8. Details of passengers on board, joining or leaving should be available if requested. This should include details of vaccination etc.

## Contact Information

### Port Office:

- Phone: +353 21 4273125
- Email: [info@portofcork.ie](mailto:info@portofcork.ie)
- Submit a detailed request under tab “contact us” on the Port of Cork website [www.portofcork.ie](http://www.portofcork.ie)

### Port Operations:

- Phone 24hr +353 21 4811380
- Email: [portoperations@portofcork.ie](mailto:portoperations@portofcork.ie)

### Port Health

- Email: [corkporthealth@hse.ie](mailto:corkporthealth@hse.ie)
- Phone: +353 21 4927703 (office hours).
- Phone 24hs: 0818501999 (Select “Public Health”).
- As per above list (on page one of this notice)

Thank you for your co-operation, this is a rapidly changing situation. We will provide updates as necessary.

**BY ORDER,**

**CAPTAIN P. O’REGAN,**

**HARBOUR MASTER.**

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