

Expanded On-board quarantine inspection under Covid-19 (As from Jan. 13)

-Considering the recent worldwide expansion of Covid 19, On-board quarantine inspection has been expanded and enhanced as follows for the high risk vessels.

1. Vessel coming from High risk countries of Covid 19 (59 countries) *Reference 1		
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2. If the country also belongs to "Quarantine Inspection Required Area by other infectious diseases"? (65 countries) *Reference 2	— Yes	On- board Quarantine
I No		
3. If Crew change proceeded for the last 14 days at high risk countries?	— Yes	On- board Quarantine
I No		
4. Risk from exposure to face-to-face contact crews during cargo working?	— High	On- board Quarantine
I Low		
Electronic Quarantine		

ex) Crude, Chemical, LPG carrier.. etc

Note

1. Regardless of the above chart, all Korean Ports are enforcing on-board quarantine inspection for any vessel that performed crew change within 14 days from any countries.
2. If the vessel had crew change from Bangladesh, Kyrgyzstan, Philippines, Uzbekistan, Nepal, United Kingdom, South Africa and Russia then below Remarks shall be followed.

Remarks

1. Any vessel departing from below countries with on-signers(crew, passenger) or crew who went ashore & came back on-board and willing to call Korean Port must have PCR test done for the on-signing crews & the crew with shore leave at a designated PCR test foreign office and the original test result (Negative) shall be issued 72 hours before the vessel's departure.

- Countries: Bangladesh, Kyrgyzstan, Philippines, Uzbekistan, Nepal, United Kingdom, South Africa and Russia
- Designated PCR test centers in foreign office: Refer to *Reference 3
- Original PCR test negative clearance certificate shall be submitted to quarantine office at Korea Ports
- Effective Date: 3rd August 2020

* If a vessel had crew change or embarkation from Russian port, the person shall get PCR test from designated PCR test centers listed in Reference 3 and shall hold original document. In addition, the vessel shall submit PCR negative test result report to the agent before entering the Port in order to get PCR negative test result report approved by the Quarantine Office.

2. As of 15th January 2021, the Korean Gov't enforced a new regulation as below

- All on-signers from any foreign countries shall get PCR negative result report within 72 hours from the vessel departure time.

- The above basically means even if the vessel is only performing cargo operation (no crew change) at Korean Port, but had crew change from any foreign countries, then those who embarked from foreign country shall get PCR negative result report within 72 hours before the vessel departs from that foreign country.

- For example, if the vessel has plans to call Malaysia for crew change and Korea for cargo operation, then all on-signers (regardless of their nationality) shall get PCR negative test result report from any hospital from Malaysia and this report shall be issued within 72 hours from the vessel departure time. Once the vessel sails from Malaysia and underway to Korea, the vessel shall submit on-signer's PCR reports to the Korean Port Quarantine Office prior to arrival.

3. All PCR negative test result reports must show the test method as 'Real-time Reverse Transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction' in order to pass airport immigration, port quarantine office, or any Korean Gov't Organization.

4. Below penalties will be enforced for any vessels that failed to meet the above on-signer PCR test requirement

- Only those crews who joined the vessel or went ashore will be tested for PCR test upon arrival
- Crew change and/or any kind of vessel operation (including cargo operation) will not be allowed until crews test results are out. The terminal will only allow vessel operation after crews test results are negative. If test result is positive, all costs for COVID-19 medical treatment shall be paid by the relevant crew.
- The relevant crews and company in below case will be imprisoned for 1 year or fined KRW10,000,000(USD 10,000).
 - 1) crews to submit substandard documents for PCR test, issued 48hours after vessel sailed or not issued at designated PCR Test centers in Korea Foreign Office,
 - 2) not submit PCR test result,
 - 3) the case to submit forged or falsified documents

** If the vessel failed to meet the above on-signer PCR test requirement from the country of crew change, the vessel can do PCR test from another remaining 6 countries while underway to Korean Port.

For example, if vessel had crew change in Bangladesh and sailed but crews did not do PCR test from designated PCR test center, the vessel can go to Philippines and complete PCR test from designated test center and proceed to Korean Port thereafter. However, crews doing PCR test from Philippines in this case shall be recorded as on-signers from Philippines. Be reminded that the vessel cannot sail from Philippines until PCR test result is Negative and crews have Original PCR test result report with them.

*******EXEMPTION!!!!**

1. Due to lot of unexpected vessel calls to Korean Ports after 3rd August 2020, the Korean Government eased the above regulation and the vessel can be exempted from submission of PCR Negative Certificate only under below cases

- Departure date from 6 countries was more than 28 days and called two or more ports before arriving in Korea
- * Calculated based on twice the monitoring period of COVID-19(14days) by referring to the WHO standard

Example)

Departure from one of 6 countries (3rd Sept) -> Country A -> Country B -> Korea (3rd Oct)

* Country A and B shall not be one of 6 countries

- No voyage plan to Korea but the vessel unexpectedly has to call due to bad weather
- No voyage plan to Korea but if inevitable to call Korean Port, in this case the Director of Quarantine will decide

2. In case of crew received PCR Negative Certificate 72 hours before departure time but the document became substandard due to delay of vessel departure, PCR Negative Certificate will still be valid if below cases are proved

- Departure was delayed due to bad weather or natural disaster
- Departure was delayed due to vessel's technical problem
- Other inevitable cases will be determined by Director of Quarantine

Reference 1

High Risk Countries of COVID-19 (59 Countries)

Asia & Middle East	China (HongKong, Macao incl.), Singapore, Indonesia, Maldives, Iraq, Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Turkey, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Nepal, India, Philippines, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Iran, Saudi Arabia, U.A.E, Israel, Uzbekistan
Africa	South Africa, Nigeria, Egypt, Djibouti, Senegal
Europe	Belarus, Sweden, Russia, Portugal, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Poland, Netherlands, France, Spain, Denmark, Luxembourg, Bulgaria, Ireland, England, Czech Republic, Italy, Germany, Finland, Austria
America	Peru, Chile, Brazil, U.S.A, Mexico, Ecuador, Argentina, Canada, Barbados
Oceania	Northern Mariana Islands

Reference 2

Quarantine Inspection Required Areas (65 Countries)

Asia & Middle East	China (2 provinces: Guangdong, Hunan), Pakistan, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, U.A.E, Oman, Bangladesh, Yemen, Philippines, India, Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, Jordan, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon
Africa	Cameroon, Democratic Republic of Congo, Republic of Congo, Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Central African Republic, Chad, Cote d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Senegal, South Sudan, Sudan, Togo, Uganda, Tanzania, Somalia, Mozambique, Zambia, Zimbabwe
America	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, French Guiana, Guyana, Panama, Haiti, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Venezuela

Reference 3

Designated PCR Test Centers in Foreign Office

Nepal (3)	Patan Hospital	Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital
	Korea Nepal Friendship Hospital	
Bangladesh (13)	(SBMC) Sher E Bangla Medical College, Barisal	(KMC) Khulna Medical college
	(BITID) Bangladesh Institute of Tropical & Infectious Diseases, Chattagram	(NIPSOM) National Institute of Preventive & Social Medicine
	(CoxMC) Cox'sbazar Medical College (IEDCR Field Laboratory)	(RMC) Rahshahi Medical College
	(NPML-IPH) Institute of Public Health	M Abdur Rahim Medical College, Dinajpur
	(KuMC) Kustia Medical College	(RpMC) Rangpur Medical College
	Narayanganj 300 Bed Hospital	(SOMC) Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College
	(MMC) Mymensingh Medical College	
Kyrgyzstan (2)	Boneski Hospital	Department of health laboratory
Philippines (14)	St. Luke's Medical Center (BGC Taguig)	Lung Center of the Philippines (Quezon City)
	St. Luke's Medical Center (Quezon City)	The Medical City Clark (Mabalacat Pampanga)
	Mataki Medical Center (Mataki City)	ARC Hospital (Lapu-Lapu city, Cebu)
	Manilla Doctor's Hospital (Ermita, Manila)	QualiMed Hospital (Iloilo City)
	The Medical City (Pasig City)	Divine Word Hospital (Tacloban City, Leyte)
	University of Cebu Medical Center(UCMED)(Mandaue City)	Prime Care Alpha COVID-19 Testing Laboratory (Lapu-Lapu city, Cebu)
	Chong Hua Hospital	Philippines Red Cross - National Blood Center / Port Area / Logistics and Training Center (Subic) / Clar Molecular Laboratory / Batangas Chapter Molecular Laboratory / Negros Occidental Molecular Laboratory / Molecular Biology Laboratory (Zamboanga city) / Cagayan De Oro / Cebu Chapter
Uzbekistan (2)	Korea No 1 Laboratory (Tashkent)	Swiss Lab
Russia (8)	SANAS (Vladivostok)	GEMOTEST (Sakhalin Region)
	TAFI (Vladivostok)	INVITRO (Sakhalin Region)
	GEMOTEST Khabarovsk (Vladivostok)	GEMOTEST (St.Petersburg)
	GEMOTEST Kamchatsky (Vladivostok)	GEMOTEST (Ktasnodar Kri)
United Kingdom	TBA	
South Africa	TBA	