



(Unofficial Translation)

## Marine Department Announcement

No. 53 / 2020

Subject : Guideline for ships entering Thai waters in the case of ships come from the Territories outside the Kingdom of Thailand

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Regarding to the Declaration of an Emergency Situation in all areas of the Kingdom of Thailand on 26 March B.E. 2563 (2020) and article 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005), by which Article 3 of the regulations issued under Article 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E.2548 (2005) (Issue 1) dated 25 March 2020, has stipulated the closing of entry into the Kingdom of Thailand in the use of various vehicles including ships or the use of transportation routes, especially waterways, to travel into the Kingdom of Thailand. Having the responsible person close the gate, border crossing or relief points under the law on communicable diseases and the law on immigration for passengers or people entering the Kingdom of Thailand.

To be in accordance with the Declaration of an emergency situation in all areas of the Kingdom of Thailand on 26 March B.E. 2563 (2020) and article 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005), by which Article 3 of the regulations issued under Article 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E.2548 (2005) (Issue 1) dated 25 March 2020, the Director General of the Marine Department therefore announced the guideline for ships entering Thai waters as follows;

1. To cancel the Marine Department Announcement No. 45/2020 on the Guideline for ships entering Thai waters in the case of ships come from the Territories outside the Kingdom of Thailand on 19 March 2020.

2. To prohibit passenger ships, ship with passenger, or any ship entering Thai waters, unless

- (1) Cargo ships which transport goods as needed. But once the mission is completed, the ships shall depart quickly.
- (2) A ship that has a master or crews which must travel according to the mission and have a definite time to travel out of the Kingdom of Thailand.

3. For the ships under Article 2 (1) and (2) which come from the territories outside the Kingdom of Thailand defined as disease infected zones of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak or announcement of the Ministry of Public Health or Center for the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak Management or the World Health Organization found the effected person of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) shall proceed as follows.

- (1) Ships agent shall submit documents to the communicable disease control officer at International communicable disease control checkpoint at least 24 hours in advance include
  - (a) Information of Conveyance Arriving in Thailand (T 1)
  - (b) Marine Information of Health (T 2)
  - (c) Marine Declaration of Health (T 3)
  - (d) Last 10 ports of call
  - (e) Questionnaire for Dangerous Communicable diseases screening
  - (f) Crew list

- (g) Body temperature checking of master and all crews at least 7 days before ships entering to Thai Waters
- (h) Other documents as required by the communicable disease control officer

(2) Ship operators or ship-owners shall provide knowledge of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak to master, crews, and any persons on board.

(3) Master of the ship shall provide regularly temperature measurement for master, crew and any persons on board. If found to have abnormal symptoms such as body temperature above 37.5 degrees Celsius and have a cough, runny nose, sore throat or dyspnea, to isolate those with abnormal symptoms, surveillance and if able to do so, bring them to the nearest hospital to check immediately or proceed according to (4).

(4) In the event that a coronavirus disease (COVID-19) suspected or infected person is found on board, shall screen the aseptically person and isolate infected person, and shall inform the communicable disease control officer, Department of Disease Control, to proceed the next step.

(5) If found the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) suspected or infected person on board, the master of the ship shall anchor their ship at the quarantine and screening anchorage area according to the Navigation in Thai Waters Acts B.E 2456 (1913) and as amended or the place which the communicable disease control officer, Department of Disease Control, considered as appropriate for their further action.

4. Ship operators, ship-owners, master shall proceed in accordance with the section 5 of regulations for the prevention of dangers under the Navigation in Thai Waters Acts B.E 2456 (1913) and as amended.

Whoever violates or fails to comply with the provisions the section 5 of regulations for the prevention of dangers under the Navigation in Thai Waters Acts B.E 2456 (1913) and as amended, shall be liable to a fine from one thousand baht to ten thousand baht.

5. Ship operators, ship-owners, master shall strictly proceed in accordance with the regulations issued under Article 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E.2548 (2005) (Issue 1) dated 25 March 2020.

This announcement shall be effective on 26 March 2020

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