

SHANNON FOYNES PORT COMPANY

NOTICE TO MARINERS

NOTICE NO. 3 OF 2021

TO ALL MASTERS, AGENTS, SHIP OPERATORS, SHIP OWNERS

Reporting procedures related to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

This notice should be read in conjunction with:

- DTTAS [Marine Notice No. 6 \(as Amended\) of 2020](#)
- HSE Guidance: www.hspc.ie and www.hse.ie

FOR THE SPECIFIC ATTENTION OF ALL VESSEL MASTERS AND AGENTS

Following the issuance of Marine Notice Number 06 of 2020 and dialogue with the HSE concerning Corona Virus / COVID 19, please ensure that:

All vessels / agents attach a Maritime Declaration of Health (MDoH) to SafeSeas Ireland (SSI) for vessels arriving in the Shannon Estuary.

Furthermore, the MDoH should in addition be forwarded to the below email. This will be required until further notice.

- **HSE – Mid – West Port Health andrew.curtin@hse.ie**

Prior to arrival and on initial VHF contact with *Shannon Pilots*, each vessel shall confirm verbally that the MDoH has been submitted as required. Should it transpire that the MDoH has not been submitted prior to arrival, the vessel will be directed to an anchorage until the MDoH is submitted and reviewed. In addition, vessels at anchor for a period will submit an updated MDoH no later than 4 hours and no more than 24 hours prior to berthing (i.e. **submit between 4 and 24 hours before berthing**).

PORT AGENTS:

In order to avoid delays, please ensure the above is highlighted to all vessels for whom you have been engaged.

MASTERS:

Please refer to the following for information

- [IMO Circular letter 4204](#)
- [EU healthy gateways - also issued to vessel operators and owners](#)

Shore leave is restricted to essential movements only to ensure isolation and safety of the Vessel's crew.

At present crew changes are allowed subject to approval from HSE. All crew changes through Facilities in the Shannon Estuary will be notified in advance to HSE who will approve on a case by case basis.

In relation to PPE for Pilots, Ship Agents and other visitors.

Table 9. Recommended PPE for other staff (e.g. harbor pilot, ship agent, other visitor)

SETTING: At conveyance			
PERSONNEL CATEGORY	WHEN	WHERE	RECOMMENDED PPE
Other staff entering conveyance before assessment by authorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harbor pilots • Ship agents • Other visitors 	If there is information of a suspect case on board a conveyance	In isolation area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FFP2/FFP3 respirator (tested for fitting, valved or non-valved) <i>*If respirator not available, medical mask can be used (limitations and risks of mask use assessed on case-by-case basis)</i> • Goggles (or face shield) • Disposable gloves • Long-sleeved water-resistant gown
		Outside isolation area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical mask • Disposable gloves
	If conveyance is from an affected area ⁽⁵⁾ without a suspect case on board	In all areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of PPE depends on case-by-case risk assessment while on board • Perform frequent hand hygiene
	If no information is available	In all areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of PPE depends on case-by-case risk assessment • Perform frequent hand hygiene
	If conveyance is not from affected area and there is no suspect case on board	In all areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform frequent hand hygiene

BY ORDER,

Hugh Conlon
 Harbour Master
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 1st January 2021