

Precautionary measures to prevent COVID-19 infection in port of Arendal



Arendal Havn

Procedure for all vessels in port or entering Port of Arendal (all terminals)

In order to maintain discharge and loading operation under the prevailing circumstances the Port of Arendal has implemented the following procedures effective today:

1.

These procedures shall be communicated and confirmed by the master prior to arrival or at latest prior to start of cargo operations. Electronic communication is sufficient.

2. The Master shall, prior to arrival, during the port stay and after departure, report signs of crew member or passengers showing symptoms of infectious disease to the port authority.

3. All crew shall remain onboard at all times. Shore leave not allowed.

4. We encourage the use of Risk Assessment of all operations to mitigate situations where contamination can be transferred between ship & shore crew

5. Duties crucial to the vessels operation and security such as draft reading, connecting hoses and necessary tasks related loading and discharge of cargo can be performed by vessels crew inside isps facility.

Physical contact between crew, stevedores or foreman shall be avoided and a safe distance of minimum 1 meter shall be kept at all times.

Telephone or radio should be used for communication where possible.

6. Visitors to the vessel is prohibited unless directly involved with cargo & safety operations.

All interaction between crew and shore representative shall be done with minimum 1 meter distance between personnel.

7. Crew and stevedores shall use personal gloves at all times.

8. Cargo plans, manifest and damage report should be sent and signed electronically using email or picture taken by mobile phone.

9. Removal of seafastening by the crew shall be completed for each section prior to start of cargo operations for such section.

10. All necessary on-shore activities shall be handled by appointed agent. Deliveries of stores should be handled by stevedores/ port operators on shore side and crew on ships side.

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11. Crew change subject to restrictions by national and local authorities. Local police may grant permission on a case by case basis.

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The master or agent shall inform the port authorities before planning of all crew change activities.

The following information shall be submitted:

- Maritime Declaration of Health from the Master
- Port of call last 2 weeks
- Time and date
- Means of transport from/to Airport.
- Crew list

Crew showing symptoms of COVID-19 virus are not allowed to travel.

A quarantine period up to 14 days can be expected for offsigning Norwegian crew.

The ship owner or their appointed agent is responsibility to arrange a suitable quarantine for crewmembers.

In addition see Norwegian Maritime Authority (MNA) guidelines:

<https://www.sdir.no/en/news/news-from-the-nma/guidelines-regarding-seafarers-signing-on-and-off-ships-in-norwegian-ports/>

12. Any breach of the implemented procedures shall be reported to the port authorities immediately.

Procedures are based on available information from national and local authorities at time of publishing and are subject to change.

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