

CREW CHANGE ANNEX (WEEK 29)

Bahrein crew change procedure for entering the ship/dockyard.

Sign On

- Bahrain entry visa to be processed in advance and No Seaman Visa is provided. Each visa to be approved from Immigration and Ministry of foreign affairs, the process would require 3 – 4 working days.
- Covid 19 test at Air Port for joiners which would take time basis the number passengers arrive in the same Aircraft. Estimated time per person to complete the test is 4 to 5 hours. It is free of cost.
- In case of unfortunate positive result the crew / visitor to be taken for quarantine and treatment by Ministry of health at the designated locations.
- If the result is negative the crew will be released for mandatory quarantine of 14 days at agents facility (approved Hotels)
- Upon completion of the quarantine the joiners can proceed to the port for Joining vessel.

Note:

14 Days quarantine for all visitors / arriving passengers is mandatory in the airport and ship crew are not excused except for Asry Drydocks.

Sign off

- Bahrain exit visa to be processed in advance and No Seaman Visa is provided. A covid 19 test to be conducted upon disembarkation from vessel and the crew who are tested negative to go for a 14 days quarantine in a Hotel in Bahrain. A confirmed Air ticket for repatriation to be submitted along with the visa application. Each visa to be approved from Immigration and Ministry of foreign affairs, the process would require 3 – 4 working days.
- No circular is released for the crew change since the formalities are a combination of Port, Immigration rules and the Govt's restrictions. This regulations may be updated by next week may be but as of now.

The recent notification on crew change is only applicable for the ships calling at ASRY drydock for repair purpose. For other port, the existing process to continue. (14 temmuz)

Malta Crew Change Operations

Starting from 15th July 2020, crew changes to/from Malta will be permitted to people travelling from the list of countries below.

- a. United Kingdom
- b. Belgium
- c. Bulgaria
- d. Netherlands

- e. Canada
- f. Australia
- g. New Zealand
- h. South Korea
- i. Andorra
- j. Monaco
- k. San Marino
- l. China
- m. Vatican City
- n. Rwanda
- o. Uruguay
- p. Slovenia
- q. Japan
- r. Morocco
- s. Thailand
- t. Tunisia
- u. Portugal
- v. Romania
- w. Lebanon
- x. Indonesia
- y. United Arab Emirates
- z. Turkey
- aa. Jordan
- bb. Liechtenstein

- Starting from 1st July 2020, crew changes to/from Malta will be permitted to people travelling from the list of countries below (Legal Notice 244 of 2020). This is applicable to people who have been in that particular country for a minimum of 2 weeks.

- (a) Austria;
- (b) Cyprus

- (c) Czech Republic
- (d) Denmark
- (e) Estonia
- (f) Finland
- (g) Hungary
- (h) Iceland
- (i) Ireland
- (j) Germany
- (k) Latvia
- (l) Lithuania
- (m) Luxembourg
- (n) Norway
- (o) Italy, with the exception of Emilia Romagna, Lombardy and Piemonte
- (p) France, with the exception of Ile-de-France
- (q) Slovakia
- (r) Switzerland
- (s) Greece
- (t) Croatia
- (u) Spain, with the exception of Madrid, Catalonia, Castilla-La Mancha, Castile and Leon;
- (v) Poland:

- The Superintendent of Public Health may grant an exemption for persons to travel from Malta to countries other than those listed in the proviso above and from countries other than those listed in the proviso above to Malta where such travel of persons is deemed necessary or essential.

- Any person coming from any other country and has not spent at least 14 days in any of the safe countries needs a special permit from Health Dept and may have to undergo quarantine in Malta until vessel's arrival if accepted by the Health Authorities

- More info: <https://www.mta.com.mt/en/airport-reopening>

Manila Crew Change

If the purpose of call at Manila port is for crew change only, it will be considered as a regular port call and we will have to pay port dues, anchorage fee, port authorities and other related charges that will incur.

Below for your reference.

Foreign Crew: On signer – Not allowed as VISA Issuance is on hold

 Off signers - allowed subject to protocol compliance and approval from
concern authorities

 Principal/owner to arrange and secure DFA endorsement (see attached
sample)

 Recently International flights were suspended from May 3-11th 2020

 International flights resumed but still will be regulated.

Filipino Crew: On Signer – Allowed, provided next port of call is not China, Hong Kong
and Macau Port

 All joining crew will undergo swab test prior joining the vessel

 Swab test result must be sent to us prior ships arrival.

 Off Signer – Subject to 14 days Quarantine to be arranged by Local
Manning Agency on a land or sea base quarantine facilities prior to proceeding to their homes.

Local manning agent to secure embarking/disembarking Filipino crew Immigration derogatory
clearance and allow to join(see attached sample).

LMA must also coordinate with PCG for the required RT PCR/Swab testing and BOQ for required
certification of land base facility that will be used by disembarking Filipino crew.

LMA to prepare a letter to BOQ requesting for transfer of disembarking crew to mandatory quarantine
facility while waiting for RT-PCR test result

Owners to arrange DFA endorsement of disembarking foreign in case there is any. (see attached
sample)

Kindly find attached form to be filled up by disembarking Filipino crew and Foreign crew (if any).

Once filled up, crew to keep with themselves and to be presented to Medical Quarantine during
inspection on arrival of the vessel.

Vessel to prepare the following:

- Medical log for the last 30 days (if available)
- Copy of daily monitoring of crew for the past 2 weeks (if available)
- Medicine chest copy

All disembarking crew must wear face mask.

Kindly please revert below documents.

Ships particular (received)

IMO crew list

Vessel International Tonnage Certificate

Voyage Memo (last 15 port of calls)

Last port clearance (should indicate Philippines as next port)

Transit cargo manifest (if vessel is laden with cargo)

NIL cargo manifest (if vessel is without cargo)

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Contact details of your local manning office

REMINDERS:

The rules and protocols issued by the Philippine Government to address the COVID-19 problem are almost oftentimes changed without notice and may vary from one Local Government Unit to another. As such, please kindly expect that there will be ports where additional rules and protocols to be implemented that may not be similar in other ports.