



MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

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Shipping Community  
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**LIFTING OF MANDATORY MARITIME DECLARATION OF HEALTH FOR  
VESSELS ARRIVING IN THE PORT OF SINGAPORE**

1. This circular supersedes Port Marine Circular No. 16 of 2020 with effect from 01 Jul 2022.
2. The National Environment Agency (NEA) has revised the requirements for the submission of Maritime Declaration of Health (MDH) for vessels arriving in the Port of Singapore. From 01 Jul 2022, only arriving vessels that fall under any of the below categories be required to submit the MDH:
  - a) Vessels that are arriving from any of the countries (last port of call) listed in the **ANNEX A** of NEA's circular; or
  - b) Vessels with any person suspected of infectious diseases or dead body onboard; or
  - c) Vessels with any sick passengers or crew onboard.
3. Any queries relating to this circular should be directed to the Port Health Office at Tel: (65) 6222-2585 or mail at [Port\\_Health\\_CRO@nea.gov.sg](mailto:Port_Health_CRO@nea.gov.sg)

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MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

27 June 2022

Shipping Community,

## **MANDATORY SUBMISSION OF THE MARITIME DECLARATION OF HEALTH**

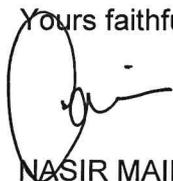
1. This notice, which will come into effect from 1 July 22, brings attention to the lifting of NEA's requirement for all vessels arriving at the Port of Singapore to submit the Maritime Declaration of Health (MDH) .
2. Arriving ships that fall in any of the below categories would, however, still be required to submit the MDH:
  - a) Ships that are arriving from any of the countries ( last port of call ) listed in **Annex A**; or
  - b) Ships with any person suspected of infectious diseases or dead body onboard; or
  - c) Ships with any sick passengers or crew on board.
3. The MDH (**Annex B**), along with the listed documents, are to be submitted to the Port Health Office ( email: [Port\\_Health\\_CRO@nea.gov.sg](mailto:Port_Health_CRO@nea.gov.sg) ) **12 hours before arrival** at the Port of Singapore:
  - a) Crew list / Passenger list;
  - b) Current copy of the Ship Sanitation Certificate;
  - c) Last 10 ports of call list; and
  - d) List of all passengers and crew members with temperature above 37.5 degree Celsius.

Failure to comply with the above requirements may result in a breach of the Infectious Diseases (Quarantine) Regulations, and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or both.

4. As the global health situation is dynamic, the mandatory submission of MDH by all arriving ships could be reinstated should the need arises e.g. detection of new Variant of concern. Owners, agents and masters of vessels arriving at the port of Singapore are reminded to remain vigilant and comply with all prevailing SMMs and health advisories.

5. Should you require further clarification on this notice, please contact Port Health Office at Tel: (65) 6222 2585 or email at [Port\\_Health\\_CRO@nea.gov.sg](mailto:Port_Health_CRO@nea.gov.sg)

Yours faithfully,



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DEPUTY DIRECTOR  
CENTRAL REGIONAL OFFICE  
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S/N	Countries
1	Angola
2	Bahrain
3	Benin
4	Burkina Faso
5	Cape Verde
6	Congo
7	Cote d'Ivoire
8	Democratic Republic of Congo
9	Gabon
10	Gambia
11	Ghana
12	Guinea
13	Guinea-Bissau
14	Iran
15	Jordan
16	Kenya
17	Kuwait
18	Lebanon
19	Liberia
20	Mali
21	Mauritania
22	Niger
23	Nigeria
24	Oman
25	Qatar
26	Saudi Arabia
27	Senegal
28	Sierra Leone
29	South Africa
30	Sudan
31	Togo
32	UAE
33	Uganda
34	Yemen
35	Zimbabwe

## MODEL OF MARITIME DECLARATION OF HEALTH

To be completed and submitted to the competent authorities by the masters of ships arriving from foreign ports.

Submitted at the port of ..... Date .....

Name of ship or inland navigation vessel ..... Registration/IMO No ..... arriving from ..... sailing to .....

(Nationality)(Flag of vessel) ..... Master's name .....

Gross tonnage (ship) .....

Tonnage (inland navigation vessel) .....

Valid Sanitation Control Exemption/Control Certificate carried on board? Yes ..... No ..... Issued at ..... date .....

Re-inspection required? Yes ..... No .....

Has ship/vessel visited an affected area identified by the World Health Organization? Yes .... No .....

Port and date of visit .....

List ports of call from commencement of voyage with dates of departure, or within past thirty days, whichever is shorter:

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Upon request of the competent authority at the port of arrival, list crew members, passengers or other persons who have joined ship/vessel since international voyage began or within past thirty days, whichever is shorter, including all ports/countries visited in this period (add additional names to the attached schedule):

(1) Name ..... joined from: (1) ..... (2) ..... (3) .....

(2) Name ..... joined from: (1) ..... (2) ..... (3) .....

(3) Name ..... joined from: (1) ..... (2) ..... (3) .....

Number of crew members on board .....

Number of passengers on board .....

### Health questions

- (1) Has any person died on board during the voyage otherwise than as a result of accident? Yes .... No ....  
If yes, state particulars in attached schedule. Total no. of deaths .....
- (2) Is there on board or has there been during the international voyage any case of disease which you suspect to be of an infectious nature? Yes..... No..... If yes, state particulars in attached schedule.
- (3) Has the total number of ill passengers during the voyage been greater than normal/expected? Yes .... No .....
- How many ill persons? .....
- (4) Is there any ill person on board now? Yes ..... No ..... If yes, state particulars in attached schedule.
- (5) Was a medical practitioner consulted? Yes ..... No ..... If yes, state particulars of medical treatment or advice provided in attached schedule.
- (6) Are you aware of any condition on board which may lead to infection or spread of disease? Yes ..... No .....
- If yes, state particulars in attached schedule.
- (7) Has any sanitary measure (e.g. quarantine, isolation, disinfection or decontamination) been applied on board? Yes ..... No .....
- If yes, specify type, place and date .....
- (8) Have any stowaways been found on board? Yes ..... No ..... If yes, where did they join the ship (if known)? .....
- (9) Is there a sick animal or pet on board? Yes ..... No .....

**Note:** In the absence of a surgeon, the master should regard the following symptoms as grounds for suspecting the existence of a disease of an infectious nature:

- (a) fever, persisting for several days or accompanied by (i) prostration; (ii) decreased consciousness; (iii) glandular swelling; (iv) jaundice; (v) cough or shortness of breath; (vi) unusual bleeding; or (vii) paralysis.
- (b) with or without fever: (i) any acute skin rash or eruption; (ii) severe vomiting (other than sea sickness); (iii) severe diarrhoea; or (iv) recurrent convulsions.

I hereby declare that the particulars and answers to the questions given in this Declaration of Health (including the schedule) are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed .....

Master

Countersigned .....

Ship's Surgeon (if carried)

Date .....

**ATTACHMENT TO MODEL OF MARITIME DECLARATION OF HEALTH**

Name	Class or rating	Age	Sex	Nationality	Port, date joined ship/vessel	Nature of illness	Date of onset of symptoms	Reported to a port medical officer?	Disposal of case <sup>1</sup>	Drugs, medicines or other treatment given to patient	Comments

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<sup>1</sup> State: (1) whether the person recovered, is still ill or died; and (2) whether the person is still on board, was evacuated (including the name of the port or airport), or was buried at sea.