

DECLARATION BY MASTER FOR HEALTH PURPOSES

Dear Captain,

The World Health Organisation (WHO) has declared a global emergency regarding the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The incubation period for COVID-19 is up to two weeks (14 days). Symptoms may include fever, flu-like symptoms such as coughing, sore throat, headaches and difficulty breathing.

Darwin Port holds the health and safety of its staff, stakeholders and visiting seafarers as a high priority. Please complete this declaration and return to Darwin Port Harbour Control using the following email address – *harbourcontrol@darwinport.com.au* between 48 hours and 24 hours prior to arrival.

Please be advised that non-compliance with this declaration will mean a pilot will not board your vessel.

1. Have any persons on the vessel been in contact with a proven case of novel coronavirus infection in the last 14 days. YES/NO
2. Have any persons on the vessel been in or travelled through a NT Chief Health Officer declared hotspot in the last 14 days. <https://coronavirus.nt.gov.au/> YES/NO
3. Number of persons on board currently unwell or been unwell in the last 14 days, including mild illnesses.
4. Does the vessel have a procedure for self- isolation of potentially infected crew? YES / NO
5. Crew Change last 14 days YES/NO
6. Shore Leave Planned YES/NO
7. Shore Leave last 14 days YES/NO
8. Last Port: _____
9. Other international/domestics port visits last 14 days _____

For Domestic Interstate Vessels requiring a Pilot

1. Next crew change planned / /
2. Are the new crew from Intrastate/Interstate/International

Masters are requested to follow the risk reduction measures for the protection of the crew and pilots set out below.

Prior to pilot embarkation / disembarkation:

Where possible, one hour before the pilot embarkation time, non-essential crew should remain clear of the designated route from the pilot embarkation point (pilot ladder, combination ladder etc.) to the wheelhouse, especially where the route is inside the accommodation block.

Immediately prior to pilot embarkation, all surfaces and equipment in the wheelhouse, or on the bridge wings, that the pilot may touch must be cleaned with a suitable disinfectant solution.

During pilot embarkation / disembarkation:

All crew at the pilot embarkation point and which accompany the pilot to the wheelhouse must wear a protective mask and rubber gloves.

Unless necessary for the safety of the pilot (i.e. during the embarkation process), ship's crew and the pilot should remain a minimum of 1.5 metres apart.

Where possible, the route from the embarkation point to the wheelhouse should be via the open deck.

The wheelhouse should be cleared of all crew not essential to the navigation of the vessel and all crew members present must wear a protective mask and rubber gloves.

Similar precautions must be taken during disembarkation of the pilot either ashore or to the pilot launch.

During pilotage:

Social distancing – Bridge crew to remain a minimum of 1.5 metres from the pilot at all times.

Bridge crew and pilot to be wearing face masks.

Bridge crew and pilot to wear gloves, apply sanitizer or use disinfectant wipes regularly on the hands.

Bridge crew to apply sanitizer or use disinfectant wipes regularly on bridge controls and equipment, handles and hard/work surfaces.

Bridge crew shall set up bridge equipment for the pilot and to the settings the pilot requires.

General precautions:

Interactions with personnel coming on board at previous ports should be minimised.

Master to advise immediately if they are encountering difficulties in complying with the above risk reduction measures.

If any crew member develops any symptoms as described in question 1 above prior to the boarding of the marine pilot, the Master shall advise Darwin Port immediately.

I _____ Master of vessel _____ declare that the above questionnaire has been answered truthfully and to the best of my knowledge.

Signed: Captain: _____ Date: _____