

NOTICE TO MARINERS

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Port of Southampton – Enhanced Surveillance Measures – Maritime Declaration of Health

Southampton Port Health in agreement with Public Health England has implemented enhanced surveillance measures at the Port of Southampton. Masters of vessels calling into Southampton, in all circumstances, are to submit their Maritime Declaration of Health (MDH) to Southampton Port Health Authority at port.health@southampton.gov.uk and copy in southamptonvts@abports.co.uk within 24 Hours of the pilot boarding area. Pilots will not be allocated until the MDH is received.

ABP Southampton is taking measures to ensure Pilots are healthy and free of any illness before they board your ship and it is expected that ships are taking suitable precautions to ensure the health of Southampton Pilots. Mitigation measures to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 include rigorous cleaning of the bridge equipment (chart table, instruments, chairs, helm, handrails, consoles, telegraphs, windows, radio handsets etc.), maximum social distancing, regular hand-washing and avoidance of touching their own faces and minimum access to the bridge during pilotage.

Further advice can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>

**Vessel Traffic Services Centre
Ocean Gate, Atlantic Way
Southampton**

**Steven Masters
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Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.