

Advisory to Shipping No. A-13-2021

March 2, 2021

TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: Reminder on Biosecurity Measures and Precautions due to COVID-19

As the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic continues, the Panama Canal Authority (ACP) hereby reminds all customers that the mandatory requirements issued by the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Panama, to protect the general population and prevent further spread of the virus, remain in place.

In order to comply with these mandatory measures, the ACP requires that all officers and crew of vessels arriving to Canal waters, who may come into contact with ACP personnel, wear protective masks, maintain a safe distance and wash hands frequently while ACP personnel are onboard. These measures are also required for all ACP personnel. Prior to boarding, ACP personnel are provided with protection equipment and their temperatures are checked.

Please be aware that vessels that fail to comply with this measure may be subject to delays, as well as additional charges.

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