

MEMBER ALERT



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INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF SHIPPING AND WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION GUIDANCE ON COVID-19

Guidance on COVID-19 has recently been issued by the two captioned organizations as follows.

International Chamber of Shipping (ICS)

The International Chamber of Shipping has recently released [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): Guidance for Ship Operators for the Protection of the Health of Seafarers](#) and associated posters about [staying healthy while traveling](#), [food safety](#) and [protection from getting sick](#).

The Guidance highlights port entry restrictions, practical protective measures and encourages shipowners to establish an outbreak management plan as well as additional personal safety, hygiene, cleaning, disinfection and waste management guidance.

World Health Organization (WHO)

The WHO has also released guidance, [Operational Considerations for Managing COVID-19 Cases and Outbreaks on Board Ships](#), focusing primarily upon how to manage persons suspected of being infected aboard ship through the application of an outbreak management plan for COVID-19. The WHO recommends that this guidance be used in conjunction with their [Handbook for Management of Public Health Events Onboard Ship](#).

Members are reminded that the Club maintains a dedicated website space which contains a range of information and updates on infectious diseases, including the COVID-19 virus at:

https://www.american-club.com/page/infectious_diseases

Your Managers recommend that Members take note of this information and be guided accordingly.