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THE INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF SHIPPING (ICS) ISSUES UPDATED HEALTH GUIDANCE ON COVID-19

The International Chamber of Shipping, in conjunction with several other industry associations including the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the International Labour Organization (ILO), the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), the International Maritime Health Association (IMHA), the International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) and INTERTANKO, has very recently produced updated health guidance on COVID-19.

The new guidance, which has been informed by growing experience and knowledge of the virus, has been produced as version 3 of [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - Guidance for Ship Operators for the Protection of the Health of Seafarers](#).

In addition to an updated introduction reflecting lessons learned over the period since the pandemic began, the guidance adds two new annexes on polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing and managing multiple cases of COVID-19 on board vessels. This guidance should be read in conjunction with [COVID-19 – Protocols to Mitigate the Risks of Cases On Board Ships](#).

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