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## Marine Department Announcement

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Subject : Guidelines for permission of ship operators and crews who entering Thai waters  
(waterways) for people without Thai nationality

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In accordance with the order of the Coronavirus Disease Situation Management Center 2019 (COVID-19) No. 7/2563 regarding compliance guidelines issued in accordance with Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations, B.E. 2548 (No. 6) has prescribed disease prevention measures for travelers entering the Kingdom. To prevent the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) attached with the order of the Coronavirus Disease Situation Management Center (COVID-19) No. 7/2013, dated 30 June 2020, (5) ship operators and crews which is required to travel according to the mission and had a clear schedule for leaving the kingdom.

To ensure compliance with the requirements of the Maritime Labor Convention (MLC 2006), which defines the period of duty of the vessel operator and crews (waterways) that are marine workers to be able to perform the job effectively should have a period of time to work not more than 12 months by allowing the group of ship operators and crews (waterways) for people without Thai nationality, be able to change work duties on a ship in the Kingdom of Thailand as appropriate and necessary according to humanitarian principles. Then the Director General of the Marine Department issues the Marine Department's announcement to establish guidelines for permission of ship operators and crews who entering Thai waters (waterways) for people without Thai nationality. By allowing the ship operator, ship owner, master and commander to change the work duties to have documents used in traveling in the kingdom as follows.

1. A letter showing a person in charge of a ship operators and crews on a ship along with specifying the time to enter and leave the kingdom and the need to travel into the mission.

2. An insurance policy that covers the cost of health care and medical treatment in case of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or any other guarantee throughout the duration of the traveler's stay in the kingdom with the amount of not less than 100,000 US dollars.

3. Screening for respiratory symptoms and measuring travelers' fever at the international entry and exit channel before entering in In the Kingdom (Entry screening).

5. To submit documents to the competent official or the communicable diseases control official at international entry and exit channels.

6. There shall be a detection of coronavirus infectious disease (COVID-19) by RT-PCR method as follows:

6.1 In the case of a scheduled departure from the Kingdom to a clear destination country, shall carry out the detection of coronavirus infection (COVID-19) by RT-PCR method. If no found the coronavirus infection, shall Immediately travel to the designated place and under the control of the communicable disease control officer with strictly.

6.2 In the case that there is an unclear schedule to travel outside the Kingdom to the destination country, shall carry out the detection of the coronavirus infection (COVID-19) method by RT-PCR method and enter quarantine and must follow the order of the communicable disease control officer at the place designated by the communicable disease control officer until it is scheduled to departure the Kingdom. The place where the traveler enter to quarantine shall comply with the rules and guidelines prescribed by the government.

Therefore, announced generally.

This announcement shall be effective on 11 August 2020 (A.D. 2020)

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