



NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

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Subject: Temporary Reporting Protocol for Novel Coronavirus

For the health and safety of those who work in and support the Atlantic region marine industry, and to reduce and/or eliminate the risk of spreading of the Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV), the Authority would like to temporarily implement the following reporting protocol for all Atlantic region pilotage districts. This protocol is to be aligned with *Transport Canada Marine Security Operations – Special Marine Security Notification No: #2020-003*

<https://www.atlanticpilotage.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/MSN-2020-003-Transport-Canada-Marine-Security-Notification-Novel-Cononavirus.pdf>

Temporary Reporting and Guidance

For all Foreign Flagged Vessels, the APA requests that:

- Foreign Flagged Vessels must report any symptomatic crew members or passengers to APA Dispatch as a potential hazard at the time of Ordering a Pilot for an arrival, to limit the contact with passengers and crew from the vessel.
- If symptomatic crew or passengers are reported on arrival, Foreign flagged vessels are to report a status update on the mitigations in place to APA Dispatch at the time of Ordering a Pilot for a departure.
- APA Pilots must be advised via APA Dispatch of the potential hazard in a timely manner to ensure the appropriate precautions can be taken prior to boarding the vessel.

For all Domestic Vessels, the APA requests that:

- If a case of Coronavirus is suspected, Masters of Canadian vessels are to advise APA, prior to Pilots boarding your vessel, to limit the contact with passengers and crew from the vessel.
- APA Pilots must be advised of the potential hazard in a timely manner to ensure the appropriate precautions can be taken prior to boarding the vessel.

Until Health Canada declares this matter to no longer be an imminent concern, this protocol will remain in place and we ask our stakeholders for your cooperation to ensure the health and safety of our personnel and the greater community. A notice will be posted when the temporary protocol is no longer required.

Additional Information

Transport Canada Marine Security:

<https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesecurity/operations-bulletins-menu-69.htm>

Government of Canada Public Health:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

World Health Organization:

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




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Thank you for your assistance and understanding. If there are any questions or concerns with the contents of this Notice, please contact the Operations Department of the APA at operations@atlanticpilotage.com.