

# FONASBA COVID-19 BULLETIN



## AN UPDATE ON MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 BY MERCHANT SHIPPING – No. 12 02.04.2020

Further updates on COVID-19 precautions have been received from members as summarized below. As always, please contact the relevant association for more guidance.

Egypt	<p>All Egyptian ports remain open for vessels, the Suez Canal is working normally, and cargo movements for import and export are not affected by the closure of the borders as from 19-03-2020.</p> <p>Crew changes in Egypt are not accepted due to airports being closed. Crew members' right to shore leave while vessels are in ports have been suspended.</p> <p>The port of Alexandria has imposed mandatory cargo fumigation on arrival by the local quarantine authority for all inward cargo, which could be followed by other ports.</p> <p>A curfew has been imposed for two weeks from 25/03/2020, lasting from 19:00 to 08:00.</p>
Sweden	<p>All Swedish ports remain operational and shipping agents are working 24/7, applying recommended sanitary measures. Visits to ships by shore-based personnel are limited to those absolutely necessary to avoid bringing COVID-19 on board.</p> <p>Maritime Health Declarations are required at all Swedish ports and some ships have been in quarantine due to suspicion of infection but so far all of them have been cleared after sampling. Crew members are not allowed shore leave, since last week. All port services to ships are operational as well.</p> <p>Since yesterday (01.04) all crew changes (even for non-EU citizens) are allowed again, at least in theory, as most flights depart from Denmark and their borders are closed.</p>
Ukraine	<p>All goods that cross the Ukrainian border are not affected by new legislative restrictions. The import and export turnover is carried out in normal mode. All merchant ports work in the normal regime but with significant precautionary measures applied. Ships proceeding from the regions with a high risk of infection become objects of accurate epidemiological control. The main markers for authorities are last port of call, period of the last voyage, the health state of the crew members. As of today, no cases of disease imported by merchant ships to Ukraine have been found.</p>