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	ACTION (NOT NECESSARILY IN ORDER)
	SUSPECTED CASE : Crew may show symptoms of fever, dry cough, fatigue, aches and pains, nasal congestion, headache, conjunctivitis, sore throat, nausea/vomiting, or diarrhoea loss or change in taste/smell, rash on skin, chills and dizziness.
	CONFIRMED CASE : When doctor confirms through a written report that crew is infected with Corona virus which may include laboratory testing of clinical specimens.
A.	Initial Actions
	Isolate crew immediately in the hospital and the door shall be kept closed
	Ensure ventilation system for the hospital is on exhaust mode, and the vent cover is secured open
	Put a warning below the vent to keep crew away from it. Tape off the area at least 4 meters from exhaust.
	Check hospital alarm is active
	Isolate crew members in their cabins in event of multiple suspected cases
	Change over aircon to 100% fresh air flow with no re-circulation in the accommodation.
	Keep each cabin door air vent closed and open toilet door for exhaust
	Inform Company by telephone and email and seek medical advise
	Communication with the suspected crew shall be made through walkie talkie or through phone. Suspected crew to alert bridge through the hospital alarm/telephone if required.
	Instruct suspected case to wear a medical mask, to follow cough etiquette and practice hand hygiene frequently
	All crew informed of the suspected case, to avoid access to hospital and the patients cabin Clean and disinfect suspected case cabin and all common areas and frequently touched surfaces (e.g. door handles, handrails, light switches, phones) frequented by the patient immediately.
	No crew should enter the hospital or suspected cases cabins unless it is an emergency. Crew members assigned (limited only to 2 crew considering rest hours) to provide medical care should be appropriately trained and should wear a medical mask, eye protection (goggles or a face shield), a long-sleeved gown and gloves and long boots. Crew entering shall maintain 2 meter distance from suspected case.
	A table shall be placed inside hospital for the suspected case to eat food.
	Sufficient sanitizers shall be kept inside the hospital



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	Crew serving food shall keep the food in a basket/ tray on a table or other suitable arrangements
	kept outside the hospital and shall not enter the hospital. Patient, if possible, should take his dinner
	tray from the table in the passage. Food should be served through disposable paper plates, cups
	if available on board.
	Snacks like bread, biscuits, tea, coffee and milk as per crew requirements and electric kettle, cups
	shall be provided in hospital.
	Patient shall empty food residues in a garbage can kept inside hospital and wash /sanitize the
	utensils, health condition permitting.
	Laundry of the suspected crew shall be kept in a separate bag and handled with care. Crew
	assigned to remove laundry shall use disposable gloves and handle them with care. Clothes to be
	washed using the hottest cycle.
	Suspected case shall use the digital thermometer/oximeter and monitor his temperature/oxygen
	readings twice a day and report symptoms and conditions to the officer in charge.
	All garbage from hospital shall be disposed as infectious waste.
	All persons on board are considered to have close contacts because of the close living and working
	conditions. All persons are to be monitored twice a day for temperature and Covid19 symptoms.
	Test suspected crew member using Antigen Rapid Test kit .
	All crew on board to wear face mask when outside the cabin, practice health hygiene and social
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C.	Confirmed Case
	Follow medical advice provided by the Company nominated doctor
	The disembarkation and transfer of the suspected case to an onshore healthcare facility for further assessment and laboratory testing should be arranged as soon as possible in cooperation with the health authorities at the port.
	During the disembarkation of suspected cases, every effort should be made to minimize the exposure of other persons and environmental contamination and the ship should take the following precautions: • Control disembarkation to avoid any contact with other persons on board; • The patient should wear a surgical mask; • Personnel escorting the patient should wear suitable PPE (gloves, impermeable gown, goggles and medical mask).
	Medical facilities, cabins and quarters occupied by patients and close contacts of a confirmed case with COVID-19 disease should be cleaned and disinfected.
	Comply with additional guidance provided by Company.
	Monitor the health of rest of the crew for next 14 days or as advised by company doctor or concerned authority.

Note:

- · Company will inform P&I Club and vessel's flag
- The following doctors are available on a 24/7 basis:

For ships trading internationally:

Shipmed (contact details as per Section 1: Communications in the Emergency Procedure Manual OR

If Shipmed is not available:

The Royal Netherlands Sea Rescue Organization

Radio Medical Service

Phone: +31 223 54 2500

INMARSAT- telex and email:

(Urgent MEDEVAC) 38@rmd.knrm.nl

(Regular MEDICAL) 32@rmd.knrm.nl

(Non-Urgent) 00@rmd.knrm.nl,

e-mails are automatically relayed to the doctor in charge

OR

INTERNATIONAL RADIO MEDICAL CENTRE (C.I.R.M.)

Phone: +39-06-59290263 E-Mail: telesoccorso@cirm.it