

Subject

Information relating to COVID-19

ClassNK

Technical Information

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To whom it may concern

The spread of COVID-19 has impacted on business operations throughout the industry. Committing to provide essential service to all our clients continuously, ClassNK has given first priority to preventing the further spread of infection as well as ensuring the safety of concerned parties in accordance with the instructions and recommendations by respective national/regional administrations. Though our service may be interrupted due to restrictions, we ask for your kind understanding and cooperation.

In response to the spread of COVID-19, ClassNK has been making every effort to provide support to all those who may miss due dates for surveys/audits due to force majeure. Specifically, we are offering applicable alternative measures such as the application of remote surveys and postponement of surveys etc., subject to approval of the flag state administration.

Inquiries regarding such surveys/audits are handled by the following departments.

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[For inquiries relating to audits/inspections]

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In addition, a new page for "COVID-19 related information" has been added to our website to provide information on the latest situation.

URL: <https://www.classnk.or.jp/hp/en/activities/covid-19/>

The circulars issued by Flag state administrations are posted on the above-mentioned page. These circulars includes information and instructions in case where surveys/audits in accordance with Conventions such as SOLAS, Load Line, MARPOL, and ISM/ISPS/MLC cannot be carried out by their due dates because of the impact of COVID-19.

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Other circulars, providing wide range of information on the protection of seafarers' health and postponement of crew assignments, etc, are posted as well. Although we strive to publish the latest information to the best of our ability, information will also be updated by flag state administrations as necessary, so please also make sure to refer to their websites.

For any inquiries relating to flag state information in general, please contact the following department.

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