

SUBJECT: Recommendation to yachtsmen, boaters and nautical ports related to the COVID-19 epidemic

Nautical tourism ports are open to traffic unless they have order or decision to suspend work issued by the civil protection Headquarters of the Republic of Croatia.

Yachtsmen or boaters arriving by boat to the Republic of Croatia shall complete border formalities at maritime border crossings.

If persons on board are coming from particularly risky areas (at the moment these areas are: Chinese province Hubei including city of Wuhan, Italy, county Heinsberg in German province of North Rhine-Westphalia, South Korean city of Daegu and province Chengdu and Iran) they are quarantined (foreign citizens) or self-isolated (Croatian citizens). Information on particularly risky areas may be found on the following link <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>.

Foreign citizens coming from particularly risk areas, go to organized quarantine at their own expense. Order on compulsory quarantine is issued by sanitary inspector, and traffic police escort to the quarantine is mandatory. If they do not want to quarantine, they must leave the Republic of Croatia by sea.

If persons on board are coming from other risk areas defined by the last report of Civil Protection Headquarters they must be self-isolated.

Croatian citizens will be the subject to the compulsory home quarantine/self-isolation, which must be reached by the shortest possible route.

Foreign citizens that will be the subject to the compulsory quarantine/self-isolation must provide proof of accommodation in the Republic of Croatia, which must be reached by the shortest possible route. If they have no proof of accommodation in the Republic of Croatia, they must leave Republic of Croatia by the sea.

In case that the compulsory self-isolation is ordered, crew of the vessel should navigate from marine border crossing to the nautical port where they have secured berth.

Self-isolation on the vessel is not possible, so it must be provided on land.

In case that quarantine is ordered, crew of the vessel should navigate from marine border crossing to the nautical port closest to the nearest quarantine point (county centre) where they have secured berth.

As soon as the vessel is moored alongside nautical port, all persons on board must report to the service whose contacts they will receive at the marine border crossing.

Upon arrival, Nautical port concessionaire must check if the quarantine or self-isolation order is issued to the persons on board the vessel, and inform marine border crossing that inspected vessel has arrived in the port.

Persons provide their own transport to the place of the quarantine /self-isolation. Transport to the quarantine is carried out with exclusive assistance of the Civil Protection, which administer the quarantine.

Vessel care includes berth provision and disinfection. Charter Company (for vessels in charter) or owner (for private vessels) of the vessel must ensure disinfection. It must be supervised by nautical port concessionaire

Regards,

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