

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE QUARANTINE ACT, CHAP. 28:05

REGULATIONS

Made by the Minister of Health under section 4 of the Quarantine Act
and subject to affirmative resolution of Parliament

THE QUARANTINE (MARITIME) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2021

- Citation **1.** This Regulations shall be cited as the Quarantine (Maritime) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021.
- Interpretation **2.** In these Regulations, “the Regulations” means the Quarantine (Maritime) Regulations.
- Regulation 2 amended **3.** The Regulations are amended in regulation 2-
- (a) in the definition of “approved port”, by deleting the words “deratisation certificates and deratisation exemption certificates” and substituting the words “a Ship Sanitation Control Certificate or a Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate”;
 - (b) by deleting the definition of “deratisation certificates and deratisation exemption certificates” and inserting in the appropriate alphabetical sequence, the following new definition:
 - “ “Ship Sanitation Control Certificate” and “Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate” mean, respectively, a Ship Sanitation Control Certificate and Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate issued under regulations 27 and 28;”;
 - (c) in the definition of “valid”, by deleting the words “deratisation certificate or deratisation exemption certificate” and substituting the words “Ship Sanitation Control Certificate or Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate”.

Regulation 5 amended

4. The Regulations are amended in regulation 5(4) by deleting the words “deratisation certificate or deratisation exemption certificate”, wherever they occur, and substituting the words “Ship Sanitation Control Certificate or Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate”.

Repeal Part VI and substituted

5. The Regulations are amended by repealing Part VI and substituting the following new Part:

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PART VI
SHIP SANITATION CONTROL
CERTIFICATE

Requirement to provide a Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate or a Ship Sanitation Control Certificate

27. (1) Where a ship enters a port in Trinidad and Tobago, the owner or master of the ship shall provide the authorised officer at the port with a valid Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate or Ship Sanitation Control Certificate.

(2) If a valid Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate or Ship Sanitation Control Certificate is not provided as required under subsection (1), the authorised officer shall cause the ship to be examined for clinical signs or symptoms of public health risk, including sources of infection and contamination and may-

- (a) disinsect, decontaminate, disinfect or de-rat the ship, as appropriate, or cause these measures to be carried out under its supervision, including isolation of the ship, as necessary, to prevent the spread of disease; and

(b) decide, in each case, the technique employed to secure an adequate level of control of the public health risk.

(3) Where the authorised officer at a port determines that he is unable to carry out the control measures under subsection (2), the affected ship may be allowed to depart subject to the authorised officer, at the time of departure, informing the competent authority for the next known port of entry of the evidence found and the control measures required shall be noted in the Ship Sanitation Control Certificate.

(4) A ship under subsection (3) shall be permitted to take on, under the supervision of the authorised officer, fuel, water, food and supplies.

Issue of Ship
Sanitation
Control
Exemption
Certificate

28(1) Where the authorised officer at a port is satisfied, after an inspection of a ship, that the ship in a port in Trinidad and Tobago is free of infection and contamination, including vectors and reservoirs, he may issue a Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate in respect of the ship.

(2) A Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate or Ship Sanitation Control Certificate shall be in the form set out in the Sixth Schedule.”.

Second
Schedule
repealed and
substituted

6. The Regulations are amended by repealing the Second Schedule and substituting the following:

“SECOND SCHEDULE

(Regulation 4)

DECLARATION OF HEALTH

To be completed and submitted to the competent authorities by the masters of ships arriving from foreign ports.

Submitted at the port of.....
Date.....
Name of ship or inland navigation vessel
Registration/IMO N°.....
Arriving from.....Sailing to.....
(Nationality)(Flag of vessel).....
Master’s name.....
Gross tonnage (ships).....
Tonnage (inland navigation vessels).....
Valid Sanitation Control Exemption/Control Certificate carried on board? Yes... ..No...
Issued at..... Date.....
Re-inspection required? Yes.... No....
Has ship/vessel visited an affected area identified by World Health Organization? Yes... No...
Port and date of visit.....
List ports of call from commencement of voyage with dates of departure, or within past thirty days, whichever is shorter:
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Upon request of the competent authority at the port of arrival, list crew members, passengers or other persons who have joined ship/vessel since international voyage began or within past thirty days, whichever is shorter, including all ports/countries visited in this period (add additional names to the attached schedule):
1) Name..... joined from: 1).....2).....3).....
2) Name..... joined from: 1).....2).....3).....
3)Name..... joined from: 1).....2).....3).....
Number of crew members on board..... Number of passengers on board.....

HEALTH QUESTIONS

- 1) Has any person died on board during the voyage otherwise than as a result of accident? Yes... No...
If yes, state particulars in the Schedule.
Total no. of deaths.....
- 2) Is there on board or has there been during the international voyage any case of disease which you suspect to be of an infectious nature? Yes.... No...
If yes, state particulars in the unattached schedule.
- 3) Has the total number of ill passengers during the voyage been greater than normal/expected? Yes... No...
How many ill persons?.....
- 4) Is there any ill person on board? Yes.... No...
If yes, state particulars in the attached schedule.
- 5) Was a medical practitioner consulted? Yes... No..
If yes, state particulars of medical treatment or advice provided in attached schedule.

- 6) Are you aware of any condition on board which may lead to infection or spread of disease? Yes... No...
If yes, state particulars in attached schedule.
- 7) Has a sanitary measure (e.g. quarantine, isolation, disinfection or decontamination) been applied on board? Yes... No...
If yes, specify type, place and date.....
- 8) Have any stowaways been found on board? Yes... No...
If yes, where did they join the ship (if known)?
- 9) Is there a sick animal or pet on board? Yes... No...
Note: In the absence of a surgeon, the master should regard the following symptoms as grounds for suspecting the existence of a disease of an infectious nature:
 - (a) fever, persisting for several days or accompanied by
 - (i) prostration;
 - (ii) decreased consciousness;
 - (iii) glandular swelling;
 - (iv) jaundice;
 - (v) coughing or shortness of breath;
 - (vi) unusual bleeding; or
 - (vii) paralysis;
 - (b) with or without fever:
 - (i) any skin rash or eruption;
 - (ii) severe vomiting (other than sea sickness);
 - (iii) severe diarrhoea; or
 - (iv) recurrent convulsions.

I hereby declare that the particulars and answers to the questions given in this Declaration of Health (including the schedule) are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Signed

Master

Countersigned.....

Ship's surgeon (if carried)

ATTACHMENT TO MARITIME DECLARATION OF HEALTH

Name	Class or Rating	Age	Sex	Port, date joined	Nature of illness	Date of onset of symptoms	Reported to a port medical officer?	Disposal of case ¹	Drugs, medicines or other treatment given to patient	Comments

¹State (1) whether the person recovered, is still ill or died; and (2) whether the person is still on board, was evacuated (including the name of the port or airport) , or was buried at sea.”.

Sixth
Schedule
repealed and
substituted

7. The Regulations are amended by repealing the Sixth Schedule and substituting the following new Sixth Schedule:

“SIXTH SCHEDULE

**SHIP SANITATION CONTROL EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE/SHIP
SANITATION CONTROL CERTIFICATE**

Certificate Number: _____ Port of.....,
This Certificate records the inspection and (1) exemption from control or (2) control measures applied.

Name _____ of _____ ship _____ or _____ inland _____ navigation vessel.....Flag.....

Registration/IMO No. At the time of inspection the holds were unladen/laden with tonnes of cargo.

Names and address of inspecting officer
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Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate Ship Sanitation Control Certificate

Areas , [systems, and services] inspected	Evidence found ¹	Sample results ²	Documents reviewed	Control measures Applied	Re- inspecti on date	Com ments regar ding condit ions found
Galley						
Pantry						
Stores						
Hold(s)/cargo						
Quarters:						
- crew						
- officers						
- passengers						
- deck						
Potable water						
Sewage						
Ballast tanks						
Solid and medical waste						
Standing water						
Engine room						
Medical facilities						
Other areas specified-see attached						
Note areas not applicable, by marking N/A						

No evidence found. Ship/vessel is exempted from control measures. Control measures indicated were applied on the date below.

Name and designation of issuing officer:.....Signature and seal:..... Date..... “.

¹ (a) Evidence of infection or contamination, including: vectors in all stages of growth; animal reservoirs for vectors; rodents or other species that could carry human disease, microbiological, chemical and other risks to human health; signs of inadequate sanitary measures. (b) Information concerning any human cases (to be included in the Maritime Declaration of Health).

² Results from samples taken on board. Analysis to be provided to ship’s master by most expedient means and, if re-inspection is required, to the next appropriate port of call coinciding with the re-inspection date specified in this certificate. Sanitation Control Exemption Certificates and Sanitation Control Certificates are valid for a maximum of six months, but the validity period may be extended by one month if inspection cannot be carried out at the port and there is no evidence of inspection or contamination.

