

**[DOH QUARANTINE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.
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The provisions of Annex B to WHO Regulations No. 2 of the International Sanitary Regulations which have been adopted by the World Health Organization and to which the Republic of the Philippines is a signatory, are hereunder quoted. These provisions are hereby circularized to shipping and aircraft owners and agencies for their information and compliance. In accordance with Section 5 of Republic Act No. 123, series of 1947, they are made part of the Regulations of the Bureau of Quarantine to take effect immediately:

PART I
"Pilgrim Ships"

ARTICLE B 1

Only mechanically propelled ships shall be permitted to carry pilgrims.

ARTICLE B 2

1. Every pilgrim ship shall be able to accommodate the pilgrims on the between-decks.
2. Pilgrims shall not be accommodated on a pilgrim ship on any deck lower than the first between-deck below the water-line.
3. The following space provisions shall be made on a pilgrim ship for each pilgrim, irrespective of age —
 - (a) on the between-decks, in addition to the space provided for the crew, an area of not less than 18 English square feet or 1.672 square meters and a cubic capacity of not less than 108 English cubic feet or 3.058 cubic metres;
 - (b) on the upper deck a free area of not less than 6 English square feet or 0.557 square meters in addition to the area upon that deck required for the working of the ship or reserved for the crew, or taken up by temporary hospitals, douches, and latrines.
4. The decks above the upper between-decks on a pilgrim ship shall be wooden decks or steel decks covered with wood or any satisfactory insulating material.
5. Satisfactory ventilation shall be provided in every pilgrim ship. The ventilation shall be augmented by mechanical means, at least in the case of decks below the first of the between-decks, and by portholes in the upper between-decks if the deck is above the water line.

ARTICLE B 3

1. Every pilgrim-ship shall be provided on deck with screened places supplied at all times, even if the ship is lying at anchor, with sea water under pressure, in pipes which shall be fitted with taps or douches, in the proportion of not less than one tap or douche for every 100 pilgrims or fraction of 100 pilgrims.
2. A sufficient number of such places shall be for the exclusive use of women.

ARTICLE B 4

1. In addition to closet accommodation for the crew, every pilgrim ship shall be provided with latrines, fitted with flushing apparatus or water taps, in the proportion of not less than three latrines for every 100 pilgrims or fraction of 100 pilgrims; provided that, for existing ships in which it is impractical to provide that proportion, the health authority for the port of departure may permit the proportion to be not less than two latrines for every 100 pilgrims or fraction of 100 pilgrims.
2. A sufficient number of such latrines shall be for the exclusive use of women.
3. No latrines shall be situated in the hold of a ship or in a between-deck which has no access to an open deck.

ARTICLE B 5

1. Every pilgrim shall be provided with satisfactory hospital accommodation situated on the upper deck unless the health authority for the port of departure considers that some other situation would be equally satisfactory.
2. Such hospital accommodation, including temporary hospital, shall be of sufficient size, allowing not less than 97 English square feet or 9.012 square metres for every 100 pilgrims or fraction of 100 pilgrims, and so constructed as to provide for the isolation of infected persons or suspects.
3. Separate latrines and drinking-water taps shall be provided exclusively for such accommodations.

ARTICLE B 6

1. Every pilgrim ship shall carry medicaments and appliances for the treatment of the sick pilgrims, as well as disinfectants and insecticides. The health administration for the territory in which the port of departure is situated shall prescribe the quantities of such substances or articles to be carried.
2. Every pilgrim ship shall be provided with anticholera vaccine, anti-smallpox vaccine, and any other vaccine which may be prescribed by the health administration referred to in paragraph 1 of this article, and such vaccines and substances shall be stored under suitable conditions.
3. Medical attendance and medicines shall be provided free of charge to pilgrims on a pilgrim ship.

ARTICLE B 7

1. The crew of every pilgrim ship shall include a properly qualified and registered medical practitioner with experience of maritime health conditions, as well as a nursing attendant, employed for medical service on the ship.

2. If the number of pilgrims on board exceeds 1,000, the crew shall include two such medical practitioners and two nursing attendants.

3. Every such medical practitioner shall be so recognized by the health administration for the territory in which the port of departure is situated.

ARTICLE B 8

Each State may apply to pilgrim ships embarking pilgrims for the Hedjaz in its ports requirements additional to those prescribed in Articles B 2 to B 7 inclusive, which are minimum requirements, if the additional requirements conform with its national legislation.

ARTICLE B 9

Each pilgrim on board a pilgrim ship shall keep with him only such light baggage as is essential for the voyage.

ARTICLE B 10

Every pilgrim shall be in possession of a return ticket or shall have deposited a sum sufficient to pay for the return journey. The sanitary charges which he will normally incur throughout his voyage to and from the Hedjaz shall be included in the price of that ticket or in that sum.

ARTICLE B 11

1. The master of every pilgrim ship or the agent of the shipping company shall notify the health authority for each port at which pilgrims are due to be embarked for the Hedjaz of the intention to do so at least three days before the ship leaves the port of departure and at least twelve hours before it leaves any subsequent port of call.

2. A similar notification shall be made to the health authority for Jeddah at least three days before the ship leaves that port.

3. Every such notification shall specify the proposed date of departure and the port of landing of the pilgrims.

ARTICLE B 12

1. The health authority for a port, on receiving a notification provided for in Article B 11, shall inspect the ship, and may measure it if the master cannot produce a certificate of measurement by another competent authority, or if the inspecting authority has reason to believe that such certificate no longer represents the actual conditions of the ship.

2. The cost of any such inspection and measurement shall be payable by the master.

ARTICLE B 13

The health authority for a port at which pilgrims are embarked shall not permit the departure of a pilgrim ship until satisfied that —

- (a) the ship carries as part of the crew a properly qualified and registered medical practitioner or practitioners, as well as a nursing