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MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE ACT (CHAPTER 170A)

MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE (PORT) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2021

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 41 of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Act, the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Transport, makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (Port) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 15 January 2021.

Amendment of regulation 61

2. Regulation 61(2) of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (Port) Regulations (Rg 7) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended by deleting sub-paragraph (a).

New regulations 61A, 61B and 61C

3. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 61 in Part XIV, the following regulations:

“Waterfront facility from which shore-based personnel depart

61A.—(1) A person who has the possession and management of any waterfront facility from which any shore-based personnel may leave, by harbour craft, to board a relevant vessel within the port must not allow an individual to so leave the waterfront facility in order to board that relevant vessel if the person knows,

or ought reasonably to know, that the individual is shore-based personnel and —

- (a) the person knows, or ought reasonably to know, that the individual —
 - (i) has a specified symptom or is otherwise physically unwell; or
 - (ii) does not have such proof of the individual's health and unlikelihood of the individual's exposure to infectious diseases as the Port Master requires as to be necessary to ensure the health and safety of the passengers and members of the crew of the relevant vessel; or
- (b) the person intentionally or negligently does not inspect or otherwise ascertain whether the individual —
 - (i) has a specified symptom or is otherwise physically unwell; or
 - (ii) has proof of the individual's health and unlikelihood of the individual's exposure to infectious diseases as the Port Master requires as to be necessary to ensure the health and safety of the passengers and members of the crew of the relevant vessel.

(2) A person who has the possession and management of any waterfront facility from which a shore-based personnel may leave, by harbour craft, to board a relevant vessel within the port must, as far as is reasonably practicable, establish and apply appropriate procedures and controls (jointly with another or otherwise) that enable or facilitate contact tracing of every shore-based personnel who so leaves the waterfront facility in order to board that relevant vessel.

Boarding of vessels by shore-based personnel

61B.—(1) Despite the consent of the master of a relevant vessel within the port, an individual who is a shore-based

personnel must not intentionally board the relevant vessel if the individual —

- (a) has any specified symptom or is otherwise physically unwell;
- (b) knows that he or she does not have such proof of his or her health and unlikelihood of his or her exposure to infectious diseases as the Port Master requires as to be necessary to ensure the health and safety of the passengers and members of the crew of the relevant vessel; or
- (c) knowingly or negligently failed, before boarding the relevant vessel, to comply with any procedure or measure that is published by the Port Master so as to enable or facilitate contact tracing of shore-based personnel.

(2) The owner, agent and master of a relevant vessel within the port must not intentionally or negligently allow an individual who is a shore-based personnel to board the relevant vessel if the individual —

- (a) exhibits any specified symptom or is visibly otherwise physically unwell; or
- (b) does not produce to the owner, agent or master such proof of the individual's health and unlikelihood of the individual's exposure to infectious diseases as the Port Master requires as to be necessary to ensure the health and safety of the passengers and members of the crew of the relevant vessel.

(3) The owner, agent and master of a relevant vessel within the port must take the following measures when any shore-based personnel is on board the relevant vessel:

- (a) as far as is reasonably practicable, minimise physical interaction between the shore-based personnel and any of the passengers and members of the crew of the relevant vessel on board;