

SUBJECT: Small Craft Operational Restrictions - Covid 19

REFERENCE:

- a) *Small Craft (control) Regulations 2017*
- b) *Public Health Act Cap 353*
- c) *Guidelines for public transport issued by or through the Ministry of Health, Wellness, and the Environment (The Ministry)*

TO: Owners and operators of all small craft registered or licensed in Antigua and Barbuda.

1. PURPOSE

This Marine Notice provides the policy that applies to domestic small craft due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

2. APPLICATION

This Marine Notice applies to all small craft registered or licensed in Antigua and Barbuda.

3. BACKGROUND

Following the lockdown due the COVID 19 outbreak effective 25 May 2020 our offices were re-opened to the public. The state of emergency was lifted on 23 December 2021, relaxing some of the existing protocols regarding the mandatory use of face masks however some safety and health measures remain in effect.

Further to this, the Ministry has provided additional guidance on gatherings, meeting places and public transportation.

ADOMS continues to follow all COVID 19 protocols as issued by the Ministry and will advise owners and operators accordingly.

4. OBLIGATIONS AND GUIDANCE

1. Covid remains an active health issue, small craft operators should be guided by present and future policy, from the Ministry, in terms of any operational restrictions as they are published in the [Covid 19 guidelines](#)

2. ADOMS does not issue COVID approval for vessel operation, and any restrictions imposed by/or through the Ministry must be adhered to accordingly.

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