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HEALTH SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE

PROTOCOL FOR THE ENTRY OF TRAVELLERS TO ST. VINCENT ANDTHE GRENADINES VIA VESSEL

AIM: The safe entry of vessels into St. Vincent and the Grenadines in a manner that reduces the risk of the importation and subsequent transmission of COVID-19 in St. Vincent and the Grenadine s.

OBJECTIVES:

- 1. To establish the risk of arriving vessels and passengers introducing new COVID-19 to SVG;
- 2. To minimize the exposure of residents of SVG to newCOVID-19;
- 3. Early identification of potential exposure to new COVID-19, and
- 4. Early containment of new COVID-19.

PROCEDURE PRE-ARRIVAL:

- 1. The POE's currently accessible are Blue Lagoon, Bequia, Union, Canouan and Port Kingstown.
- The Approved Areas for mooring on arrival are at a) Young Island Cut, St Vincent,
 b) North Admiralty Bay, Bequia, c) Clifton, Union Island and d) Canouan
 Marina. A dock reservation is required in advance for marinas.
- 3. Before departure from Port of Origin, send the following information
 - a) Pre entry negative RT-PCR test results
 - b) Completed Sail Clear Arrival Declaration (<u>www.sailclear.com</u>)
 - c) Vaccine Certificates
 - d) Fourteen days travel history
 - e) Estimated time and location of yacht arrival.

to any of the following agents:

- i. SVG arrivals-sygarrivals@gmail.com
- ii. Erika Marina- vip@erikamarine.com
- iii. Wind and Sea Ltd- laquarium8678@gmail.com
 - 4. Not complete the Pre-Arrival Form at health.gov.vc

And the Port Health Officer will:

5. Complete the Port Health form for each arriving passenger.

PROCEDURE ON ARRIVAL

- 6. All passengers and crew to remain onboard the vessel until cleared by Port Health.
- 7. Captain to contact quarantine area representative by VHF or telephone and will then beadvised a time to come ashore with all documentation for the vessel health check.
- 8. Once vessel has received health clearance, the captain/agent will collect a health clearanceticket and may then proceed to customs and immigration.

ARRIVAL AREAS

- 1. Young Island Cut 784-529-2876 / VHF 68 'St Vincent Arrivals'
- 2. Union Island (Clifton) 784- 458-8678 / VHF 68 'Union Arrivals'
- **3. Bequia (North) -** 784-530-8300 / VHF 67 'Bequia Arrivals'
- **4. Canouan Marina -** 784-533-0000 / VHF 68 'Sandy Lane Marina'

Once you have arrived in the mooring area, contact the area representative who will advise you of health check location and timing and if passengers require further testing or quarantine.

Display the Yellow Quarantine Flag

All passengers and crew to remain onboard the vessel.

Water-sports are permitted only in close proximity to your vessel.

PHASED PROCESS OF ENTRY OF TRAVELERS TO ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES:

TESTING & OUARANTINE:

- **1. Fully Vaccinated Passengers** are those persons who:
- a) Have completed a vaccine regimen with one of the following Covid-19 vaccines recognized by the Ministry of Health, Wellness and the Environment of St Vincent and the Grenadines: AstraZeneca (Covishield, Oxford), Gamalaya (Sputnik-V, Sputnik Light, Gam-Covid-Vac), Pfizer BioNTech, Moderna, Janssen (Johnson and Johnson), Sinovac,

Sinopharm, Cuban Covid-19 vaccine (Abdala, Soberana).

- b) At least 14 days have passed since their second Covid vaccine or in the case of Janssen (Johnson and Johnson), 14 days after the single dose.
- c) Present with a vaccine certificate in English which will be validated either pre-arrival or at the point of entry by one of the following:
 - i. Proof of issuance from a national Public Health Organization
 - ii. Proof of documented vaccination issued by a hospital or medical centre.
- 2. All fully vaccinated passengers **DO NOT NEED TO ARRIVE WITH A SARS-CoV-2** (COVID-19) TEST:
 - a) MAY be tested for Covid-19 on arrival in SVG as determined by the Port Health Officer.
 - b) WILL NOT mandatory quarantine unless so determined by the Port Health Officer.
- 3. All un-vaccinated passengers **must submit** in advance **a negative SARS-CoV-2** (**COVID-19**) **Test** of departure from Port of Origin with direct travel to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
 - a) A negative result of a Covid-19 Rapid Antigen test done no more than **twenty-four (24)** hours or one (1) day or a Covid-19 RT-PCR done no more than seventy-two (72) hours or three (3) days of departure from Port of Origin.
 - b) **Must Mandatory quarantine for five (5) days** and reserve the quarantine mooring in advance of arrival.
 - c) **Must be** re-tested between day three (3) and day four (4) of Quarantine for COVID-19 (RT-PCR).

Minors as travellers: Persons under the age of 18 years are considered as minors and shall follow the protocols applied to their parent or guardian.

In-transit Passengers Arriving by Air: St. Vincent and the Grenadines

Must have a negative COVID-19 PCR test result taken within seventy-two (72) hours of arrival. If the in-transit period includes an over-night stay, that period must be spent in aTA/MOHWE approved hotel or on a designated quarantine mooring buoy.

In-transit Passengers Arriving by Sea: St Vincent and the Grenadines

- Must have a negative COVID-19 PCR test result and depart country of origin within seventy-two (72) hours.
- If the in-transit period includes an over-night stay, that period must be spent in TA/MOHWE approved hotel or on a designated quarantine mooring buoy.

Yachts Cleared into St Vincent and the Grenadines requesting to take Passengersfor Quarantine:

- Non vaccinated persons and persons without the complete vaccine cycle must quarantine a TA/ MOHWE approved hotel until cleared by health authorities with a negative PCR test result.
- Once joining persons are cleared to board the vessel, the captain may request to move to an alternative quarantine area. If approved, the vessel must follow procedures in place for daily location reporting and temperature monitoring.

