



EPIDEMIOLOGICAL AND HEALTH INTELLIGENCE UNIT

PREVENTIVE TRAVEL NOTICE

PEOPLE WHO RETURN OR ARE REPATRIATED FROM INTERNATIONAL CRUISES FOR COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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Key Points:

- COVID-19 is caused by SARS-CoV-2, it is transmitted from person to person. The disease maintains a continuous and world spread transmission.
- The infection risk for passengers and crew is remarkable.
- Cruise ship passengers are at risk of getting respiratory diseases, including COVID-19.
- COVID-19 outbreaks have been reported in several cruise ships around the world.
- Currently, some countries could be limiting their healthcare access to foreigners.

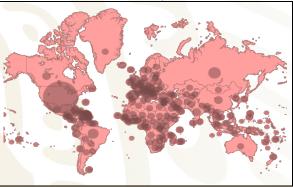
Avoid all non-essential international travel.

The chance of getting sick from this event is high, and there are no specific prevention measures against this disease.

Risk Level

LEVEL 3 HIGH

- People who are being returned or repatriated from cruises in Mexico must stay at home for 14 days after returning from the trip, monitor their health and practice social distancing.
- For current information on the pandemic situation in Mexico and the world, consult the Daily Technical Report.



Symptoms of COVID-19

- Fever, cough and headache. It can be accompanied by sore throat, runny nose, fatigue, body aches and conjunctivitis.
- In severe cases: Shortness of breath and chest pain.

People at highest complications risk include:

- People over 60 years old.
- People with chronic and/or respiratory disease (diabetes, high blood pressure, cancer, obesity, asthma, or COPD).
- People with immune system disease or under immunosuppressive treatment. (e.g. HIV, multiple sclerosis)
- Pregnant women
- Smokers and vapers.

If you return to an international port or disembark from an international cruise:

- Your plans during the return trip could be affected. Foreign health officials could implement formal quarantine procedures if they identify or suspect of COVID-19 cases aboard the cruise ship.
- International commercial flights are limited.
- If you travel on a cruise ship and disembark in a foreign port, you may not receive appropriate medical care.
- Some countries may deny permission for your boat or cruise to dock or not allow passengers to disembark.

What to do if you get sick?

If you become ill and have fever or cough within 14 days after returning from your trip:

- Stay at a safety distance from others (approximately 2 meters). You could have COVID-19; most people get recovered without requiring medical attention.
- Monitor your symptoms and stay at home for 14 days, avoid contact with other people and stay in isolation.
- If you are part of the high-risk group for complications and have any symptoms, you must seek for medical care immediately.
- If you have shortness of breath or your symptoms worse, seek medical care immediately.
- If you need essential medical care for other reasons (e.g. dialysis), wear a face mask and inform your recent cruise trip to health care practitioners.

After travelling:

- If you travelled on an international cruise in the last 14 days, at your return to Mexico, be aware for symptoms of acute respiratory illness and seek for medical care immediately; try to avoid self-medication.
- Stay at home.
- Take your own temperature with a thermometer twice a day.
- Stay at a safety distance from others (approximately 2 meters).
- Before going to an emergency room or hospital inform your recent cruise trip to health care practitioners.
- Wear a filter mask or a surgical mask.
- If you experience symptoms avoid to transmit the infection to others, following the preventive measures, wearing a surgical masks and frequently washing your hands with soap and water or alcohol-based gel solutions.

Additional Information:

Secretaría de Salud

- https://coronavirus.gob.mx/
- Organización Mundial de la Salud
- https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019

For any doubt you can contact the EPIDEMIOLOGICAL AND HEALTH INTELLIGENCE UNIT at 55 5337-1845 or 800-0044-800, where you will be attended by highly trained personnel 24 hours a day.