KEEPING YOU SAFE AT WORK: CANADA’S PORTS ARE OPEN TO INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The risk of the spread of COVID-19 is low in Canada, but Canada’s ports are ready. The Government of Canada, port authorities, marine pilots, terminal operators and labour unions are working together to prevent the spread of the virus.

COVID-19 is usually spread through personal contact with droplets from sneezing and coughing. The risk of coronavirus infection from handling goods is very small. Visit canada.ca/coronavirus for more information.

Here’s how Canadian marine workers are keeping you safe:

**HEALTHY WORKERS**
Sick workers do not come to work or are sent home immediately.

**CLEAN PORTS**
Facilities are washing high-touch surfaces in port areas more than ever before.

**KEEPING A DISTANCE**
Workers will only board ships for necessary operations and will stay farther away from passengers and crew.

**CLEAN HANDS**
Workers have increased hand washing and sneeze/cough hygiene.

What happens if a Canadian marine worker is sick?

Canada has one of the best health care systems in the world and is prioritizing COVID-19 testing and containment. Most port workers in Canada have sick leave benefits so they can stay home if they are sick. If a worker tests positive for COVID-19, anyone who they came in contact with will be notified as part of government requirements and encouraged to self-isolate for 14 days.

What happens if a crew member becomes sick while the ship is docked?

If a crew member becomes sick while the ship is docked, they should contact the local health authority by dialing ________________, and notify your ship’s agent. In the case of an emergency, call 911.

Everyone can help reduce the spread of COVID-19:

The Public Health Agency of Canada reminds everyone to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds, avoid close contact with people who are sick, and cough into your sleeve and not on your hands.