

MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

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Shipping Community Harbour Craft Community

## IMMIGRATION CLEARANCE ON BOARD VESSELS BOUND FOR SHIPYARDS OR WATERFRONT FACILITIES

1 From 1 Apr 2002, all arriving vessels bound for the shipyards or any waterfront facilities are required to first anchor at designated anchorages for immigration clearance on board. Shipyards and waterfront facilities refer to any premises that are located on the coast of mainland Singapore along the East Johor Strait, West Jurong Channel and East Jurong Channel including Tuas Bay, Northern Tuas Basin, Southern Tuas Basin, Gul Basin, Benoi Basin, Selat Samulun, Jurong River, Pandan River and have berthing facilities for vessels. PSA wharves, Cruise terminal, Ferry terminals and Jurong Fishery Port are excluded.

2 The designated anchorages (as shown in Appendix 1) for immigration clearances are as follows:

- (a) For vessels bound for shipyards and facilities located west of Jurong Island Road Link:
  - i) West Jurong Anchorage (for general cargo vessels, tugs, barges, gas-free tankers, dredgers);
  - ii) LNG/LPG/Chemical Gas Anchorage (for LNG carrier, LPG carriers, chemical tankers and oil tankers); and
  - iii) Sudong Special Purpose Anchorage (for VLCC above 75,000 GT).

- (b) For Vessels bound for shipyards and facilities located east of Jurong Island Road Link:
  - i) Western Quarantine & Immigration Anchorage (for general cargo vessels, tugs and barges); and
  - ii) Western Petroleum B Anchorage (for oil tankers).
- (c) Vessels bound for shipyards and facilities located in the East Johor Strait are to use the Changi General Purposes Anchorage.

3 While on board, the Immigration officer will check all the crewmembers faceto-face and their passports/seamen books. Landing Pass will be issued to those eligible crewmembers who are going ashore through shipyards or private wharves.

4 Shipowners, agents and masters of vessels are advised to obtain immigration clearance on board at the designated anchorages immediately on arrival, if the vessel intends to call at any shipyards or waterfront facilities in Singapore.

5 Vessels requiring immigration clearance are to display the appropriate flag signal by day and 2 green lights in a vertical line by night as shown in Appendix 2. The Immigration office may also be contacted on VHF Ch 14.

6 To prevent unauthorised persons from landing and the smuggling of prohibited items through the shipyards and waterfront facilities, Police would recommend that perimeter fencing and security measures be adopted.

- 7 For clarification and enquiries please contact: -
  - (a) Seamen's Section at Tel: 63916477, Fax: 62936753/8 on Immigration matters.
  - (b) Police Security Planning at Tel : 64784036, Fax: 62506306 for security advice and Tel: 999 for police response.
  - (c) Port Master's Department (MPA) at Tel : 63252477/63252369, Fax: 63252454 on port safety matters.

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Appendix 1





Appendix 2

