



**PORTS, CUSTOMS & FREE ZONE CORPORATION  
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH & SAFETY –TRAKHEES**

**CIRCULAR: EHS/PM/05/09**

**Dt: 14<sup>th</sup> May 2009**

**To: All Ship Master, Shipping Lines, Shipping Agents, Ship Owners and Vessel Operators**

**Subject: Maritime Declaration and H1N1 Influenza declaration**

This is to inform that as per the directive received from Dubai Health Authority, Masters of all the ships calling Port Jebel Ali, Port Rashid, Port Hamriya, Dubai Maritime City and Dry-docks World-Dubai are required to inform the Port Health Office and other concerned, about the health status of the ship and its crew by sending Maritime Declaration and H1N1 Influenza declaration, as early as 24 hours, but no later than 10 hours prior to her arrival at Dubai ports, via preferably e-mail or fax or in case if none is available, by telephone/ radio. Fax No: 9714-3454265, **Hotline: "800-Flu"**, e-mail: RAKhan@dha.gov.ae

In case of occurrence of any illness conforming to the criteria mentioned in the 'Declaration' form, you are required to inform immediately to the Port Control, EHS and ISPS Office Jebel Ali, in addition to Port Health Office. Port Authority/ PCFC-EHS will activate emergency support and the staff of the Port Health Office-Dubai Health Authority will visit the ship and after examining the individual will administer Rapid Test. In such case, No one except the Pilot, wearing appropriate PPE, responsible for bringing the ship in will be allowed to board the ship without the prior approval of the Port Health officials. Further action in this regard will be subject to the outcome of the test. If the illness appears at a later stage, it should be reported immediately to the concerned authorities. If you require more clarification from Dubai Health Authority, please contact: Dr Riaz Ahmed Khan, Specialist Registrar

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Sincerely,

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Encl: H1N1 Influenza declaration

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