

## **COVID-19 Standard Operating Procedures for** Marine Vessels arriving to St Helena.

All passengers and crew who arrive to St Helena via a marine vessel are required to adhere to the COVID-19 protocols that are in place on St Helena.



The day a vessel leaves its last port counts as Day 0: this is the last point that the vessel had contact with persons who are not on-board. The count of the 10-day quarantine period then begins the day after the vessel leaves port.



All arriving vessels are required to provide their on-board records to the Island's Port Authorities. The records are used to confirm their last port of call and their days at sea. All arrivals are tested for COVID-19.



If vessels have been at sea for less than 10 days, all persons on-board are required to guarantine for the remaining number of days, whether on-Island or on-board the vessel.



Passengers and crew of arriving vessels are only released from the requirement to guarantine if they test negative for COVID-19 on Day 10.

## THE MV HELENA

Passengers on the MV Helena are required to complete a 10-day guarantine period. A voyage from South Africa usually takes 6-7 days. The number of days at sea are counted towards the 10-day quarantine period.

Day 0 - MV Helena departs Cape Town

Day 1 - The day after the MV Helena departs Cape Town. This counts as the first day of quarantine

Day 6 - Arrival to St Helena. Passengers are required to quarantine for a further four days on-Island.

Passengers are released from the requirement to quarantine if they test negative for COVID-19 on Day 10.

Since January 2021 a total of 39 vessels have arrived to St Helena.

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