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HSQE Group

Supplemental Information regarding Onboard Mask Use (Rev. 1)

The Institute for Marine-Earth Exploration and Engineering (MarE3) has set the *Policies for the JAMSTEC/MarE3's Responses to the COVID-19 during the Cruises [Rev. 4]* on 22 March 2022, to prevent, as much as possible, the spread of COVID-19 onboard during a cruise. And additional information in regard to onboard mask use was issued as “*Supplemental Information regarding Onboard Mask Use*” on 20 June 2022.

Upon receiving the leaflet issued from the Japan Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) on 14 October 2022 (*see Note*), we will make some changes on the guidelines for onboard mask use.

Descriptions in “Section 1. Precautions during the Cruise” in the aforementioned Policy (Rev.4) is modified as follows:

- In principle, masks shall be worn in the interior of the ship except for situations where a sufficient distance (*ca.* 2 m) with others can be secured and have few conversations.
- In principle, masks are not necessary on deck regardless to the seasons (In case of having conversations within a close distance (*ca.* 2 m), consider to wear a mask).
- In case you have to work under the risk of heatstroke while wearing a mask, stay hydrated through frequent water breaks and take rest breaks without a mask.

The above changes will be applied from the date of issue of this document.

cf. “Policies for the JAMSTEC/MarE3's Responses to the COVID-19 during the Cruises (Rev. 4, issued on 22 March 2022), Section 1 “Precautions during the Cruise”.

Always wear a mask, in principle, and follow basic preventive actions, such as hand washing.

If you have any question, please consult with HSQE Group: mare3-hsqecore@jamstec.go.jp

Note: Japan Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare website, “Mask Use”

<https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/covid-19/mask.html>

MASK WEARING IN JAPAN

INDOORS MASKS REQUIRED

IN CROWDED AREAS



Face masks
are not required
when you are not
talking with others,
and not at close range.^{*}

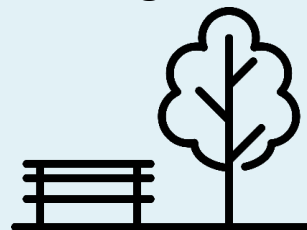


Approximately 2 meters^{*}

OUTDOORS NO NEED for MASKS



However,
wear masks when
talking with others
at close range.^{*}



Thank you for your cooperation.



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