

STATUTORY RULES.

No. 1 of 1923.

Made under the *Quarantine Ordinance*, 1913-1922.

PART I.—PRELIMINARY.

Citation.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Quarantine Regulations*, 1922.

Repeal.

2. All Regulations adopted by or made under the *Quarantine Ordinance*, 1913 (No. 6 of 1913) in force at the making of these Regulations are hereby repealed.

Interpretation.

3. In these Regulations the words :—

“Quarantine Ordinance” or “the Ordinance” means the *Quarantine Ordinance*, 1913-1922.

“Wharf” includes any pier, stage, landing place, jetty or similar structure, foreshore or place at which a vessel may lie.

Parts.

4. These Regulations are divided into Parts as follows :—

Part I.—Preliminary.

Part II.—General Provisions.

Part III.—Quarantine of Vessels, Persons, and goods generally.

Part IV.—Special Measures against Plague and Cholera.

Part V.—Miscellaneous.

PART II.—GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Quarantine Signal—Section 22.

5. The Quarantine Signal* shall be—

(1) From sunrise to sunset.

(a) For oversea vessels requiring pratique, the flag known as flag Q, being a yellow flag of six breadths of bunting, hoisted at the mainmast-head ;

(b) For vessels having or suspected of having a quarantinable disease on board or actually performing quarantine, the flag known as the Commercial flag L, being a large flag of yellow and black, borne quarterly, hoisted at the mainmast-head ;

(2) From sunset to sunrise, three lights (two red and one white, each being not less than eight inches in diameter) of such a character as to be visible on a clear night all round the horizon for a distance of two miles, and placed as nearly as practicable amidships, at distances of six feet apart, in the form of an equilateral triangle with the apex (the white light) above.

PART III.—QUARANTINE OF VESSELS, PERSONS, AND GOODS GENERALLY.

Hours of Clearance of Vessels subject to Quarantine.

6. The hours of clearance for vessels subject to quarantine shall be from sunrise to sunset provided that an authorized quarantine officer may at his discretion at any hour between sunrise and 9 p.m. begin the examination of a vessel with a view to its clearance and as a result of such examination clear the vessel or otherwise deal with it under these Regulations.

Health Report—Section 27.

7. (1) The Primary Health Report relating to any vessel at its first port of entry to the Territory shall be in accordance with the following form :—

Territory of Papua.

Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922.

Health report and answers to questions as to the present and recent state of the health of all persons on board, and as to the history and sanitary circumstances of the undermentioned vessel during the current voyage, by

and by
of the said vessel.

Master† of the said vessel,
Medical Officer.

*The following are the sections of the Ordinance relating to the Quarantine Signal :—

20. The master of every vessel subject to quarantine shall—

(a) hoist the quarantine signal at the mainmast-head of his vessel before she comes within one league of any port, and

(b) keep the quarantine signal hoisted at the mainmast-head of his vessel while entering or being in any port or quarantine station.

Penalty: One hundred pounds.

21. (1) When—

(a) any eruptive disease ; or

(b) any disease attended with fever and glandular swellings ; or

(c) any disease which he believes or suspects, or has reason to believe or suspect, to be a quarantinable disease—

has broken out on board any vessel, the master of the vessel shall forthwith (unless the vessel is actually performing quarantine under the supervision of a quarantine officer)—

(a) notify a quarantine officer of the breaking out of the disease, and

(b) hoist the quarantine signal at the mainmast-head of his vessel, and keep it so hoisted until he is authorized by a quarantine officer to take it down or until the vessel is released from quarantine.

Penalty: Fifty pounds.

(2) The master of a vessel in port shall forthwith give notice in writing to a quarantine officer of every case of any prescribed disease which was on his vessel when she arrived in the port or which has arisen on his vessel since she arrived in the port.

Penalty : Fifty pounds.

22. The quarantine signal shall be as prescribed.

†Master in relation to a vessel means the person (other than a pilot) in charge or command of the vessel.

Under the *Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922*, the Master and the Medical Officer are liable to a penalty of £100 for refusal or omission to give a true account and a true reply to any question, and for wilfully making a false statement in answer or for wilfully misleading a quarantine officer they are liable to two years' imprisonment.

Name, Description, Tonnage, and Nationality of Vessel.	Port from which Vessel started, and Date of sailing therefrom.	Ports at which Vessel has called, and Dates of arrival and departure.			Number of Persons now on Board.*			
		Port.	Date.		Passengers.		Crew.	
			Arrival.	Departure.	Class.	Number.	Rating.	Number.
Name.					First ...		Officers, including master, medical officer, and pursers ...	
Description.	Terminal Port of Voyage.				Second ...		Engineers ...	
Tonnage.					Third ...		Deck hands, including carpenters, boatswain, etc.	
Nationality.	Duration of Voyage, in Days.				Steerage ...		Donkeymen, greasers, firemen trimmers...	
					Other persons not on articles nor on passenger list		Stewards, cooks, bakers, butchers and all others on the articles ...	
					Total ...		Total ...	

Questions.

1.—Did any small-pox, plague, cholera, yellow fever or typhus fever exist at the port of departure, or at any port at which the vessel touched during the voyage?

Answer.—

2.—Was there, during the voyage (at any port or while at sea), any communication other than oral or by signal, between the vessel and any other vessel on which there was any quarantinable or pestilential disease?

If so, state particulars.

Answer.—

3.—Have you, during the voyage, taken on board at any place, any person who, or any goods which, at the time of his or their reception on board, would be deemed liable to quarantine under section 17 of the Quarantine Ordinance?

Answer.—

4.—Has any detailed inquiry, or medical inspection or examination of all or any of the persons on board been made within the last twenty-four hours, with a view to the detection of any quarantinable disease?

If so, give particulars.

Answer.—

5.—Is there now, or has there been, on board during this voyage, any person affected with—

- (a) any fever attended with or followed by eruption;
- (b) any skin eruption;
- (c) any illness attended with glandular swelling;
- (d) choleraic diarrhoea or diarrhoea with collapse;
- (e) any disease which you believe or suspect to be or to have been a quarantinable disease, or which resembles or has resembled a quarantinable disease.

Answer.—(a).....(b).....(c).....(d).....(e).....

(State particulars of any case in Schedule A on back hereof).

6.—Is there any person suffering from tuberculosis in any form, demonstrable syphilis in an active condition or any other communicable disease, or any infirm, invalid, epileptic or mentally defective person on board the vessel?

If so, state particulars in Schedule B on back hereof.

Answer.—

7.—Has any person affected with any sickness or disease left the vessel during the present voyage?
If so, state particulars.

Answer.—

8.—Has any person died on board during the voyage?
If so, state particulars in Schedule A on back hereof.

Answer.—

9.—Does the cargo include any secondhand clothing or bedding or any rags or any flock made of rags or other textile material, whether in compressed or uncompressed bales, or any used sacks or carpets or canvas?
If so, state particulars, including information as to the port or ports from which such cargo was shipped.

Answer.—

10.—From inquiries made :

- (a) Is any person on board in possession of any culture, virus or substance containing any disease germ or microbe or disease agent?
- (b) If so, has permission to import the article been obtained?
- (c) If so, whose permission?

Answer.— (a).....(b).....(c).....

11.—(a) Is there now or has there been during the voyage any unusual number of rats or mice on board?

(b) Have any dead or apparently sick rats or mice been found on board during the voyage?
If so, state particulars.

Answer.—(a)..... (b).....

12.—Have you any Bills of Health?

If so, state number and ports to which they relate.

Answer.—

The answers to questions and the particulars given in this Report, and in the Schedules hereunder, are true and correct.

Witness :

Quarantine Officer or other authorized person.

Master.
Medical Officer.

Date

NOTE.—The Master and Medical Officer must sign in the presence of the witness.

SCHEDULE A.

PARTICULARS AS TO ANY CASE OF DISEASE DESCRIBED IN QUESTION NO. 5 OR DEATH DURING THE VOYAGE.

Name and Class or Rating.	Sex.	Age.	Port of		Duration of Illness.		Nature of Illness.	Remarks.
			Embarkation.	Debarcation.	Beginning.	Termination.		

SCHEDULE B.

PARTICULARS AS TO ANY PERSON ON BOARD SUFFERING FROM ANY DISEASE OR CONDITION NAMED OR DESCRIBED IN QUESTION NO. 6.

Name and Class of Rating.	Sex.	Age.	Port of		Nature of Illness, Infirmary or Defect.	Remarks.
			Embarkation.	Destination.		

NOTE.—If necessary, amplify Schedules A and B on a separate sheet of paper.
 Comments of Quarantine Officer at the Port of—

NOTICE TO MASTERS.—In order to expedite the clearance of the vessel, this form should be filled up by the Medical Officer (if carried) or by the Master immediately on arrival in Papuan waters, and all Bills of Health and other documents relating to the sanitary history of the vessel should be ready for production to the Quarantine Officer. The Master is further requested to take the necessary steps to have all persons on board ready for inspection, together with passenger and crew lists, log book, sick lists, etc.

The passenger and crew lists should be in duplicate, typewritten (if practicable) and grouped according to class or rating.

7. (2) The Health Report shall be prepared and signed in duplicate by the Master and (if carried) by the Medical Officer of any vessel at its first port of entry or call. The duplicate copy, which will be returned to the Master, shall be kept by him for production on any Quarantine or Customs Officer demanding to see it.

Supplementary Health Report.

8. (1) At any Papuan port (other than the first port of entry) which the vessel enters without pratique, the viséd duplicate Primary Health Report returned to the Master by the Quarantine Officer of the first port of entry shall be produced to the Quarantine Officer or to an authorized person, together with a Supplementary Health Report relating to the history and sanitary circumstances of the vessel after its arrival in Papuan waters.

(2) The Quarantine Officer or any authorized person, at any port in Papua may require (a) the viséd Health Report to be produced for his inspection, and (b) a Supplementary Health Report to be furnished in reference to any vessel, notwithstanding that pratique covering the port in question has been granted at a port previously visited.

9. The Supplementary Health Report shall be in accordance with the following form:—

Territory of Papua.

Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922.

SUPPLEMENTARY HEALTH REPORT.

Health Report and Answers to Questions as to the present and recent state of health of all persons on board, and as to the history and sanitary circumstances of the vessel during the current voyage, subsequent to the examination made at its first port of entry in Papua.

By _____ Master of the said Vessel,
 and by _____ Medical Officer of the said Vessel.

- (1) Name of the Vessel
- (2) (a) Name of last port of call before reaching Papua
 (b) Date of departure therefrom
- (3) (a) Name of first port of entry to Papua
 (b) Date of arrival thereat
 (c) Date of departure therefrom
 (d) Number of persons (crew, passengers and others) on board on arrival thereat
- (4) Names of ports of call (including first port of entry) in Papua, date of arrival, and number of persons landed at each port—

Name of Port.	Date of Arrival.	Number of Persons landed.

- (5) Number of persons now on board—(a) Crew }
 (b) Passengers and others } Total.

QUESTIONS.

(6) Have you the duplicate Primary Health Report viséd by the Quarantine Officer of the first port of entry and of any subsequent port of call which the vessel has entered without pratique?

Answer.—

(7) Has any detailed inquiry or medical inspection or examination of all or any of the persons on board been made since leaving the first port of call in Papua?

If so, give particulars.

Answer.—

(8) Is there now or has there been on board since arrival in Papuan waters any person affected with—

- (a) any fever attended with or followed by eruption ;
- (b) any skin eruption ;
- (c) any illness attended with glandular swellings, or
- (d) any choleraic diarrhœa or diarrhœa with collapse ;
- (e) any disease which you believe or suspect to be or to have been a quarantinable disease ?

Answer.—(a).....(b).....(c).....(d).....(e).....

State particulars of any case in the Schedule on back hereof.

(9) Is there on board any person suffering from tuberculosis in any form, demonstrable syphillis in an active condition, or any other communicable disease, or any other sick, infirm, invalid, epileptic, or mentally defective person, or has any such person been landed from the vessel at any port in Papua? If so, state particulars in the Schedule on back hereof.

Answer.—

(10) Have any dead or apparently sick rats or mice been found on board during the voyage since leaving the first port of entry?

If so, give particulars.

Answer.—

The answers to questions and the particulars given in this Report, and in the Schedule hereunder, are true and correct.

Witness :

(Quarantine Officer or other authorized person.)

Port of _____

Date _____

Master.
Medical Officer.

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• SCHEDULE.

PARTICULARS AS TO CASE OF ILLNESS OR DEATH DURING THE VOYAGE SINCE ARRIVAL IN PAPUA.

Name and Class of Rating	Sex.	Age.	Port of		Nature of Illness.	Duration of Illness.		Remarks.
			Embarkation.	Debarcation or Destination.		Beginning.	Termination.	

NOTE.—If necessary, amplify the Schedule on a separate sheet of paper.

Comments of Quarantine Officer at Port of—

NOTICE TO MASTERS.—This report is supplementary to that given to the Quarantine Officer at the first port of entry, and should be prepared by the Medical Officer (if carried) or Master ready for signature immediately before arrival at any other Papuan port until full pratique has been granted and in all cases on arrival at the terminal port.

Any vessel entering a Papuan port without pratique, must, if no case of quarantinable or suspected quarantinable disease exists on board, fly flag Q; and any vessel having or suspected of having any quarantinable disease on board must fly Commercial flag L. In either case the vessel must show the quarantine signal by night. See Regulation 5, also *Quarantine Ordinance*, Sections 16 (b) 20 and 21.

Certificate of Pratique—Section 34.

10. The Certificate of pratique shall be in the following form:—

Territory of Papua.

Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922.

Certificate of Pratique.

(a) Insert name of vessel. Granted to the (a)

(b) Insert name of master. of which (b) is Master, at

a.m.
p.m.

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(c) Here name port or ports in which certificate is to have effect. This Certificate shall have effect in (c) or until (d)

(d) Insert any specified date or the words "the end of the current voyage," stating terminus of such voyage.

This certificate shall not, unless explicitly expressed, exempt the vessel from fumigation or any other measure of disinfection.

In the event of any quarantinable disease breaking out during currency, this certificate shall become null and void, and must be surrendered on demand to a Quarantine Officer.

(Signed)

Port of—
Date—

Quarantine Officer

Bills of Health.

11. The Master of every oversea vessel arriving at any port in Papua shall bring from the port of departure and from every oversea port called at during the current voyage, a Bill of Health, in which information is given as to the existence or non-existence of small-pox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus fever, or any other pestilential disease at or in the vicinity of the port concerned during the fortnight next preceding the visit of the vessel. The Bill of Health shall be signed and dated within twenty-four hours before the time of the departure of the vessel from the port to which it refers.

The information given shall include the number or approximate number of existing cases of any of the diseases named, and shall be certified to by the port Health Officer if the port is a British possession, or by the British Consul or such other person as may be approved if the port is a foreign port.

12. An outward Bill of Health in respect of any Papuan port and its vicinity shall, on application by the master, or owner, or agents of any vessel visiting such port, be issued by a Medical Quarantine Officer or other authorized officer, subject, except in the case of any vessel of war, to the payment therefor of a fee of Two shillings and sixpence.

Vessels, Persons and Goods ordered into Quarantine—Section 36.

13. The respective orders to be served in the case of—

(a) any vessel and any person or goods thereon;

(b) any other person; and

(c) any other goods

to be ordered into quarantine shall be in accordance with the following forms:—

(a) In the case of a vessel—

Territory of Papua.

Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922.

ORDER.

To I hereby order into quarantine the vessel of which you are the Master—together
with all persons and goods on board the vessel.

Date

Port of

Quarantine Officer.

(b) In the case of a person—

Territory of Papua.

Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922.

ORDER.

To I hereby order you into quarantine

Date

Quarantine Officer.

(c) In the case of goods—

Territory of Papua.

Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922.

ORDER.

To I hereby order into quarantine the following goods, of which you are, or appear to be, the owner,
consignee, possessor or custodian.

Date

Quarantine Officer.

Vaccination.—Section 68.

14. *Vaccinated* means vaccinated to the satisfaction of a Quarantine Officer.

15. *Properly vaccinated* in Regulation 16 means *vaccinated* not less than 14 days
nor more than 7 years prior to examination.

Quarantine and Release Under Surveillance.

16 (1) The period during which persons landed in quarantine under the provisions
of Section 35, Subsection (1), Paragraph (c) or ordered into quarantine under the
provisions of Section 36, or during which persons released under quarantine surveillance
under the provisions of Sections 35 and 47, Subsection (4) of the Ordinance, remain
subject to quarantine, shall be not less than—

18 days if the disease in regard to which infection is suspected is small-pox ;

14 days if such disease is typhus fever ; and

7 days if such disease is yellow fever or plague or cholera.

(2) The period of quarantine or quarantine surveillance shall be reckoned from
the last day on which in the opinion of the Quarantine Officer there has been exposure
to infection from a quarantinable disease.

(3) In the case of quarantine for small-pox any person who has been *properly
vaccinated* under the observation or to the satisfaction of the Chief Quarantine Officer
may, as soon as practicable, be released under quarantine surveillance or released from
quarantine.

(4) Any person to be released under this Regulation shall, if so required, submit
himself with his goods and effects to disinfection as prescribed or to the satisfaction
of the Quarantine Officer.

17. Any person eligible under these Regulations for release under quarantine surveillance, may, subject to the concurrence of the Chief Quarantine Officer, and to any conditions as to disinfection imposed by the Ordinance or by these Regulations, be released under surveillance on application in accordance with the following form:—

Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922—Sections 35 and 47 (4).

To the Chief Quarantine Officer,

I hereby request that I [and the under-named members of my family being under the age of twenty-one years, and under my control*], may be permitted to leave (a) under quarantine surveillance, and I hereby undertake to comply with all the regulations relating to quarantine surveillance.

- (a) Name of ship or station.
(b) Give intended address.

My address will be (b)

Signature—

Date—

NOTE.—It will be sufficient if this undertaking is signed by the head of the family in cases where more than one member of a family desires to leave under quarantine surveillance, and where they are less than twenty-one years of age.

Every member of a family above twenty-one years of age must give a separate undertaking.

18. Any person released under quarantine surveillance shall, as frequently and at such times as the Chief Quarantine Officer directs, present himself for inspection and examination to a Quarantine Officer, or to a Medical Officer of health when available, or to a duly Qualified Medical Practitioner or to an authorized person as the Chief Quarantine Officer directs, and shall, if required, pay such fee as may be fixed for the inspection or examination.

19. (1) Any person released under quarantine surveillance shall, immediately on the appearance in himself of any symptoms or signs of illness or disease report the facts, or cause them to be reported, to the Quarantine Officer or other person to whom he has been directed to present himself under the provisions of the last preceding regulation.

(2) The parent or guardian signing the application for the release of any child under surveillance shall be responsible for the observance by the child of the provisions of the regulations relating to release under surveillance.

20. No person under quarantine surveillance shall leave the port where he is released or change his residence without the permission of the Chief Quarantine Officer or of an authorized person.

21. No person under quarantine surveillance shall leave the Territory without permission of the Chief Quarantine Officer or of a Quarantine Officer or without complying with such conditions as may be imposed by the officer giving such permission.

22. Any person contravening any of the regulations relating to quarantine surveillance shall be liable to the penalty fixed generally for any breach of these Regulations, and shall also forfeit all the privileges and advantages of release under quarantine surveillance and may be removed by any constable or authorized person to a quarantine station.

Period of Detention in Quarantine.

23. Subject to these Regulations no person or goods shall be detained in quarantine for any longer period than is considered necessary in the interests of the public health by the Chief Quarantine Officer.

Removal of Vessel in Quarantine—Section 42.

24. No vessel in quarantine shall be moved without the approval of the Quarantine Officer, and then only to such place and under such conditions as are approved by him.

*Strike out words in brackets if not applicable.

Performance of Quarantine on Board a Vessel—Section 41.

25. Where quarantine is being performed on board a vessel the Master shall—
- (a) provide such practicable means of isolation of persons on board, and carry out such cleansing, fumigation and disinfection as the Quarantine Officer directs ;
 - (b) render all assistance in his power to the Quarantine Officer, maintain order and discipline upon the vessel, muster for examination all persons on board when so required by the Quarantine Officer, and carry out all his instructions ;
 - (c) when directed by the Quarantine Officer convey any or all of the persons on board to any quarantine station in such order and in such groups and by such means as the Quarantine Officer directs ;
 - (d) deliver at the quarantine station any personal effects belonging to any person landed from the vessel if so directed by the Quarantine Officer ;
 - (e) discharge the cargo of the vessel in accordance with the directions of the Quarantine Officer ;
 - (f) dispose of all sweepings, refuse, or ballast from the vessel in such manner as the Quarantine Officer directs.

Examination of Persons on Board any Vessel—Section 63.

26. The examination provided for in Section 63 of the Ordinance shall be any examination involving or requiring the use of any of the recognized methods of medical examination.

Notices on Vessels and Goods—Section 67.

27. The notices referred to in Section 67 of the Ordinance shall be such as the Chief Quarantine Officer considers necessary to issue regarding persons or goods subject to quarantine.

Removal of Goods and Mails from Vessels subject to Quarantine.

28. The Master of a vessel subject to quarantine shall not permit any goods, mails or loose letters to be removed from his vessel except under the direction of the Quarantine Officer and subject to their disinfection as prescribed.

Persons in Quarantine.

29.—

- (a) No person performing quarantine at a quarantine station, and no person in a quarantine station during quarantine, shall go beyond the bounds of the quarantine station ;
- (b) No person or class of persons in quarantine whose movements are by order of the officer in charge restricted to a certain area within the quarantine station shall go outside the limits of the area fixed ;
- (c) All persons in quarantine shall submit to inspection and medical examination at such times as the officer in charge requires ;
- (d) All persons in quarantine shall duly observe the notices signed by the officer in charge and posted on the recognized notice boards ;
- (e) No person in quarantine shall have any communication with a person not in quarantine except with the consent of, and subject to the conditions imposed by, the officer in charge ;
- (f) Every person in quarantine shall aid in maintaining due order and cleanliness in the quarantine quarters ;

- (g) Every person in quarantine, except such as the officer in charge of the quarantine station exempts, shall take his meals at such hours as may be fixed by the officer in charge of the quarantine station.
- (h) Lights in all quarters at any quarantine station shall, subject to any exception permitted by the officer in charge, be extinguished at 10.30 p.m. ;
- (i) Every person in quarantine shall, when directed by the officer in charge, be in his proper quarters at least half-an-hour before the time fixed for the extinguishing of lights ;
- (j) No person in quarantine shall use any lavatory for purposes other than those for which it is provided ;
- (k) No person in quarantine shall smoke in any prohibited place ;
- (l) No alcoholic liquor shall be introduced into a quarantine station without the authority of the officer in charge ;
- (m) Any person in quarantine who, in the opinion of the officer in charge, is indulging in alcoholic liquor to excess may, by a written order signed by such officer, be prohibited from being supplied with alcoholic liquor while in quarantine, and while the order continues in force no person having notice of the order shall sell or supply any alcoholic liquor to the person with respect to whom the order is made ;
- (n) No person in quarantine shall carry or use any firearm ;
- (o) The body of any person who has died on a quarantine station shall be disposed of in such manner and by such means as the Chief Quarantine Officer directs ;
- (p) Any person in quarantine wishing to make a complaint shall do so in writing within 24 hours of the occurrence of the matter to which the complaint relates. The complaint shall be addressed to the officer in charge.

Persons Employed in a Quarantine Station.

30. All persons employed in any quarantine station shall obey the orders and instructions of the officer in charge.

Regulations as to Disinfection.

31. In these Regulations—

“Disinfection” means the destruction of germs or other agents of infection of communicable disease or of disease under the Quarantine Ordinance.

“Disinfectant” means any substance or means which, when used or applied as directed to articles or substances containing or to which are attached germs or other agents of infection of communicable disease, or disease under this Ordinance will effect disinfection.

32. The means of disinfection of vessels, persons or goods shall in each case be such as the Chief Quarantine Officer directs or in the absence of direction by him, as a Quarantine Officer directs.

33. Rags, old wearing apparel, infected dressings and papers and other articles of little or no value shall be destroyed by fire.

Vessels Arriving from Proclaimed Places—Section 36 (2).

34. The master of every vessel from any proclaimed place shall, on arrival at the first port of entry in Papua, furnish to the Quarantine Officer a complete list of all passengers on board and the full address in Papua of any person who intends to disembark at any Papuan port.

35. (1) Every vessel which arrives in Papua from a proclaimed place shall be ordered into quarantine unless the Quarantine Officer, after full inquiry and inspection, reports to the Chief Quarantine Officer that no danger to public health will arise from giving such vessel pratique.

(2) The report referred to shall be in the following form:—

Territory of Papua.

Quarantine Ordinance, 1913-1922.

To the Chief Quarantine Officer—

After full inquiry into the sanitary history and sanitary circumstances of the undernamed vessel, I am of the opinion that the (here describe and name the vessel) may without danger to public health be given pratique, and I have accordingly given a certificate of pratique, which will have effect in (here state the name of the port or ports which the vessel will enter during the voyage and in which the pratique will under ordinary conditions hold).

Port of
Date

(Signed)

Quarantine Officer.

PART IV.—SPECIAL MEASURES AGAINST PLAGUE AND CHOLERA.

36. (1) The Master or owner of any vessel in any port in Papua shall—

- (a) effectively obstruct by means of stout netting or other means all openings or holes in the side of the vessel next to any wharf or lighter or other vessel and shall keep them so obstructed while the vessel is alongside such wharf or lighter or other vessel;
- (b) affix and keep affixed an effective rat guard disc or screen not less than 1 foot or more than 3 feet from the side of the vessel to every rope or hawser connecting the vessel with any wharf or lighter or other vessel;
- (c) when so ordered by a Quarantine Officer thoroughly illuminate from sunset to sunrise with electric or other brilliant lights the whole of the side of the vessel next to the wharf or to any vessel or lighter lying alongside;
- (d) remove at sunset and keep removed until sunrise the landing stages and all nets and gangways between the vessel and any wharf or lighter except during such time as those landing stages, nets or gangways are required for the discharge or loading of cargo or for access of persons to and from the vessel and are actually being used for such discharge, loading or access; and
- (e) take any other necessary and practicable measures to prevent the migration of rats to and from the vessel.

(2) No rat guard disc or screen shall be regarded as effective for the purpose of these Regulations unless it complies in all respects with the following requirements:—

- (a) It shall be circular in outline formed in the shape of a cone and shall measure not less than 6 inches from base to apex, and not less than 24 inches directly across any diameter of its base rim to rim;
- (b) It shall be made of sheet metal of at least 26 guage without any opening or perforation except as hereafter specified;
- (c) It shall be so constructed that when fitted the apex of the cone shall point towards the shore and the rope or hawser shall pass through the apex of the cone and the centre of the base, and all openings in the disc screen or guard shall be effectively closed.

37. The Master or owner of any vessel in any port in Papua shall—
- (a) thoroughly empty, or flush out and empty the bilges prior to berthing the vessel;
 - (b) keep all foodstuffs and food refuse in rat-proof and mouse-proof receptacles, rooms or compartments;
 - (c) prevent the discharge of any organic refuse, galley scraps and waste from the vessel on to the wharfs or into the waters of the port;
 - (d) maintain on board and use effective means for the destruction of rats and mice; and
 - (e) when so ordered by a Quarantine Officer lay on the vessel poison baits effective for rats and mice.

38. The Master or owner of any vessel in any port in Papua shall, if so ordered by a Quarantine Officer—

- (a) empty and flush or disinfect and clean all lavatories, water tanks or any closed space on board the vessel:

Provided that in any case where there is reasonable cause to apprehend that the vessel may be endangered by the removal of water ballast, the Quarantine Officer may cause any tank or other receptacle to be sealed; and thenceforward, so long as the vessel remains within the port, the Master shall prevent the breaking or removal of the seal or the discharge or removal from the tank or receptacle of any part of the water ballast except with the written permission of the Quarantine Officer;

- (b) remove and re-stow or re-arrange, in such a manner as to prevent access or harbourage of rats or mice, any dunnage, rubbish or deck cargo;
- (c) remove, open up or otherwise render thoroughly accessible to fumigation, any linings, casings, partitions, lockers and similar enclosed spaces above or below deck;
- (d) protect effectively against the passage of rats or mice all openings other than doors or hatches which are liable to afford communication for rats from any hold or cargo space to any other part of the vessel; and
- (e) protect effectively against the passage and harbourage of rats or mice, any specified opening or place whether below or above deck.

PART V.—MISCELLANEOUS.

Penalty for Breach of Regulations.

39. Except in those cases where a penalty is specially provided in the Ordinance for any breach of the Regulations the penalty for a breach of any of the foregoing Regulations shall be a sum not exceeding Fifty pounds.

Made in Executive Council this eleventh day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-two.

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