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5.2 Preventive requirements for pilots.

5.2.1 The pilot organization should increase the reserve and supply of anti-epidemic materials, increase the provision of medical masks, gloves, goggles, protective clothing, infrared thermometers, and disinfectants etc., and establish an anti-epidemic materials supply system. The pilot's health monitoring should be strengthened and a daily health status reporting system should be established.

5.2.2 Pilots, vehicles for pilot transfer, pilot vessels and pilot boats should be relatively fixed, the record management should be maintained, the temperature monitoring should be carried out, and the nucleic acid test for pilots should be regularly organized according to the local requirements.

5.2.3 During the pilotage, the pilot should wear protective clothing, goggles, masks, gloves and other personal protective equipment correctly throughout the whole process.

5.2.4 When boarding and disembarking the ship, the pilots should choose stairs and corridors outside the accommodation as far as possible to avoid the crew living area.

5.2.5 During pilotage, it should be notified to control the number of crew on the bridge, and the bridge should be well ventilated. The pilot should reduce or avoid contacting with crew, and maintain a safe social distance. If condition permits, specialized communication devices such as walkie-talkies should be used to avoid contacting with the crew.

5.2.6 The pilot should try to avoid having meal and using the toilet on board.

5.2.7 The pilot should take disinfection measures in accordance with regulations after disembarking from the ship. Waste articles such as disposable protective equipment should be collected and processed in accordance with regulations.

5.2.8 The drivers who are transferring the pilot and the crew of pilot boat should wear masks, gloves and other personal protective equipment correctly when transferring, and have their body temperature checked regularly.