

Netherlands COVID-19 Vaccination Programme for Seafarers

PART III

BOOSTER VACCINATION

IN DUTCH SEAPORTS

PROCEDURE FOR BOOSTER VACCINATION OF SEAFARERS IN THE DUTCH SEAPORT REGIONS OF DELFZIJL, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM AND FLUSHING/TERNEUZEN

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1 VACCINATION APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE: BOOSTER VACCINATION IN DUTCH SEAPORTS

In case of any inconsistency between this procedure and the 'INSTRUCTION: General information' or PART I – Dutch Sea Ports, the former overrules the latter two.

- (Geographical) scope** The seaport regions of Delfzijl, Amsterdam, Rotterdam and Flushing-Terneuzen.
- Seafarer eligibility** All seafarers on board ships calling the above seaports, with the exception of those working on board fishing vessels (except trawlers), government ships, yachts and ships not engaged on international voyages.
- Booster vaccine** mRNA type vaccine of brand Comirnaty by manufacturer BioNTech/Pfizer for the purpose of an extra dose of vaccine to be administered either **at least 3 months after completion of the basic series of COVID-19 vaccination**, as recognized in the Netherlands, or **at least 3 months after recovery from COVID-19**.
- Application** The vaccination appointment can **ONLY** be scheduled by a shipowner, maritime recruitment and placement agency or ship agent **based in the Netherlands**.
- Inoculation** Inoculation of the vaccine will take place in a local port clinic, or in case of Dutch ships optional also on board the ship, by medical services provider ARBO UNIE / Port Health Centre, which carries out its responsibilities under the programme in accordance with the guidelines of the National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM), URL: <https://lci.rivm.nl/richtlijnen/covid-19-vaccinatie>.
- Costs** The (inoculation of the) allocated booster vaccines are free of charge as a courtesy of the Dutch government. Inoculation takes place at Arbo Unie / Port Health Centre facilities or on board of the vessel. The latter option is only available when the capacity allows for it and the number of seafarers to be vaccinated is in principle 15 or more.
- Registration** Every inoculated seafarer will receive a RIVM registration card in English, a registration in his/her international yellow vaccination certificate (optional).
NOTE: This is not the yellow fever book. Seafarers with a Dutch social security number (BSN) can additionally opt for registering their vaccination in the national database (Covid vaccination Information and Monitoring System CIMS) of the National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM). This registration will enable them to obtain the European Union Digital Covid Certificate (vaccination passport) via DigiD. Seafarers vaccinated under this programme and not holding a Dutch social security number may apply for the EUDCC / QR-code by following the procedure as published at www.kvnr.nl/vaccines4seafarers.
- Application procedure** To apply for a booster vaccination, the applicant must follow **procedure PART I – Dutch Sea Ports from v6.0 as published at www.kvnr.nl/vaccines4seafarers**.