of New Hampshire’s request to revise its part 142—National Primary Drinking Water Regulations Implementation program to allow electronic reporting will become effective 30 days after this notice is published, pursuant to CROMERR section 3.1000(f)(4).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Conditional Sailing Order Technical Instructions and Operations Manual

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), announces the availability of additional technical instructions and documents released under its Framework for Conditional Sailing Order (CSO). These documents apply to cruise ship operators with cruise ships operating in U.S. waters and cruise ship operators who are operating cruise ships outside of U.S. waters, but intend for their cruise ships to return to operating in U.S. waters while CDC’s Conditional Sailing Order remains in effect.

DATES: These documents were available April 2, 2021 and May 5, 2021.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 30, 2020 CDC issued an Agency Order establishing a framework for a phased approach to resuming cruise ship passenger operations in U.S. waters (85 FR 70153). The phased approach includes: (1) Establishment of laboratory testing of crew onboard cruise ships in U.S. waters; (2) simulated voyages designed to test a cruise ship operators’ ability to mitigate COVID–19 onboard cruise ships; (3) a certification process; and (4) a return to passenger voyages in a manner that mitigates the risk of COVID–19 introduction, transmission, or spread among passengers and crew onboard ships and ashore to communities.

In the initial crew testing phase, the Order additionally contained requirements for: (1) Shoreside COVID–19 laboratory screening testing of all crew currently onboard cruise ships; (2) onboard diagnostic testing capabilities for symptomatic travelers (crew and future passengers); (3) shoreside COVID–19 laboratory screening testing of all newly embarking crew; and (4) continued compliance with complete, accurate, and acknowledged, No Sail Order Response Plans.

On April 2, 2021 CDC released Phase 2A Technical Instructions. Phase 2A Technical Instructions assists cruise ship operators in documenting the approval of U.S. port and local health authorities as a condition of receiving or retaining controlled free pratique to conduct a simulated voyage or to obtain a COVID–19 Conditional Sailing Certificate to commence restricted passenger voyages. This includes documenting the approval of U.S. port and local health authorities in developing medical care, housing, and port components (including a vaccination component).


The Technical Instructions for Simulated Voyages provides technical instructions for Phase 2B of CDC’s CSO.