

Ports of Entry (Airports and Maritime) PPE and IPC practice Matrix

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PPE Tier	For use by roles with the following characteristics	Physical distancing of 1.5 m	Cleaning of frequently touched surfaces	Hand hygiene	Disposable gloves	Disposable gown	Surgical mask	P2/N95 respirator	Eye protection (goggles or face shield)
PPE Tier 1	<p>Non designated port of entry workers: Role: Airport staff working in a non designated port of entry area.</p> <p>Designated port of entry workers: Role: Airport staff who board an aircraft that has been cleaned and disinfected and 30 minutes of air circulation has occurred after passengers and crew have left the aircraft. Role: Airport staff who will have no direct interaction with arriving international flight crews or passengers (from Red Zone Countries) but may need to undertake work on external areas of the aircraft such as the engine. Role: International maritime vessel crew when shore based professionals are on board a vessel or when needing to conduct shore based activity. Role: Shore based professional boarding a maritime vessel that has no crew displaying COVID-19 symptoms for a period of 14 days, crew have all tested negative and there has been no change of crew with the last 14 days.</p>	✓	✓	✓	X*	X	✓	X	X
PPE Tier 2	<p>Designated as port of entry workers; Role: Airport personal who will have no direct interaction with arriving international flight crews or passengers (from Red Zone Countries) but may have contact with the uncleaned internal environment of an aircraft or handle items such as baggage. Role: Airport staff who will have no direct contact with arriving international crew or passengers (from Red Zone Countries) but will have contact with the environment such as communal spaces including toilets, waiting areas.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ *or coveralls	✓	X	✓
PPE Tier 3	<p>Designated as port of entry workers: Role: Airport staff who will have direct contact with arriving international flight crew and passengers (from Red Zone Countries). Role: Shore based professional boarding a maritime vessel that has a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case. Role: Shore based professionals boarding a maritime vessel with international crew that have not been together for 14 days or a new crew has joined the vessel and testing has not been completed.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ *or coveralls	X	✓	✓

Additional guidance

Extended use of masks and protective eyewear: Eye protection and Masks can be worn for up to 4 hours provided they are not wet, damaged or visibly contaminated or have been used for Aerosol generating Generating Procedures (AGP) e.g., use of a nebuliser.

***Gloves:** In addition to the above advice gloves should be worn by occupational groups based on their business-as-usual procedures and protocols

Mask/Respirator Hygiene: Do not lower the mask around the neck, change mask if removed, masks cannot be re-used. Fit-check P2/N95 respirators with each use

Coveralls: should only be worn by maintenance staff and others when wearing a gown would be identified as an occupational health and safety risk, and training provided to ensure safe donning and doffing occurs

Eye protection: the choice of eye protection should be based on a risk assessment on level of contact with blood and body fluid, with the choice of face shields being more suitable for higher risk clinical settings