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## E.C. ११०१ Order in Council.

At the Executive Council Chamber, at Perth, the  
21st day of May, 1901.

### Present:

His Excellency the Governor.  
The Honourables—  
The Colonial Treasurer,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
The Commissioner of Railways,  
The Minister for Lands,  
The Attorney General.

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**H**IS Excellency the Governor, by virtue of the powers vested in him by "The Quarantine Ordinance, 1868" (32 Vict., No. 12), does hereby make, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, the following Orders, and does, with the like advice, hereby rescind the Order-in-Council dated the 17th day of October, 1900.

ARTHUR H. WILLIAMS,  
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

## Quarantine Orders.

### SECTION I.

#### DUTIES OF QUARANTINE OFFICER.

##### To visit ship and make inquiries.

1. The Quarantine Officer of each port shall visit every ship which arrives at the port from beyond sea, or from any port or place at which any dangerous infectious disease is known or suspected to exist (except such ships as carry a duly qualified surgeon, who signs the Form set out in the First Schedule hereto), and shall, before going on board the ship, put to the master the questions set out in the First Schedule to these Regulations; and papers containing those questions printed or written thereon shall be handed to the master and the surgeon or other medical officer (if any) of the ship, who shall write their replies thereon, and sign the same, and return the papers to the Quarantine Officer.

##### If ship liable to quarantine.

2. If it appears from the answers to such questions that the ship is liable to quarantine under the provisions of the Act, the Quarantine Officer shall order the ship into quarantine, as prescribed by the 2nd, 5th, and 7th sections of the Act.

##### Where ship has touched at infected place.

3. Any ship arriving in Western Australia from a port or place where small-pox, bubonic plague, cholera, or yellow fever is known or suspected to exist may, provided the incubation periods for these respective diseases have elapsed, and also provided the vessel is clean, and that no case of small-pox, bubonic plague, cholera, or yellow fever has occurred, or any case of a suspicious nature presented itself during the voyage, be granted pratique at the discretion of the Quarantine Officer.

The incubation period of each to be computed as follows:—Small-pox, fifteen days; bubonic plague, ten days; cholera, seven days; and yellow fever, five days.

##### Where reasonable suspicion of danger.

4. If any Quarantine Officer has reasonable cause for supposing that the public health would be endangered by the immediate admission to pratique of a ship arriving from beyond sea, or from any port

or place at which any dangerous infectious disease is known or suspected to exist, he shall refuse pratique to such ship; but he must report at once to the Principal Medical Officer that he has done so, and his reason for doing so, in order that the necessary steps may be taken for the continuance of the ship in, or its discharge from the performance of, quarantine.

##### May direct passengers to be landed and ship cleansed.

5. Before a ship arriving in Western Australia from beyond sea or from any port or place at which any dangerous infectious disease is known or suspected to exist is admitted to pratique, the Quarantine Officer may, if he thinks fit, direct that the passengers shall be landed at a quarantine ground for the purpose of affording them an opportunity of bathing and of washing and disinfecting all linen, clothing, bedding, and other things that have been worn or used during the voyage, and for cleansing and disinfecting the ship; and, as soon as the surgeon of the ship certifies, in writing, to the Quarantine Officer that his directions have been faithfully carried out, the Quarantine Officer shall forthwith admit the ship and passengers to pratique.

##### Doubtful cases.

6. If there is no surgeon or other medical officer of the ship, and it appears from the answers to the questions aforesaid that there is any sickness on board the ship, or if, whether there is a surgeon or other medical officer or not, the Quarantine Officer is not satisfied whether the ship is or is not liable to quarantine, he shall go on board the ship and examine the passengers and crew, and ascertain whether the ship is or is not liable to quarantine; and if he finds that the ship is liable to quarantine, he shall order the ship into quarantine accordingly.

##### Quarantine officer going on board an infected ship.

7. If after the Quarantine Officer has boarded a ship he finds that there is an infectious or contagious disease on board, which might be communicated to the shore by him, he shall not leave the ship without the permission of the Principal Medical Officer first obtained, except for the purpose of going to some place where he can remain without danger of communicating the disease to other persons, unless before boarding he shall have put on an impermeable cloak covering the whole of his clothing from head to foot, and a suitable cap, and shall immediately after examining the infected patient disinfect his hands and exposed surfaces of his body, and he shall cause his cloak, cap, and boots to be sponged and thoroughly disinfected with a solution of chinosol or corrosive sublimate of a strength of one in five hundred parts.

##### Where disease on board.

8. If the Quarantine Officer boarding a ship on arrival at the first port of call in the Colony finds any disease on board which would render the ship liable to quarantine, he may order the immediate removal of all infected persons to the nearest quarantine ground, to be kept there under proper medical or other attendance, and may then allow the ship and the rest of the passengers to proceed on the voyage, or he may allow the ship and all the passengers so to proceed. In either case, the ship shall proceed on the voyage under the yellow flag.

*To make report.*

9. The Quarantine Officer for the Port of Fremantle shall, as soon as practicable, report to the Principal Medical Officer the full names and ages and classification of all passengers landed at any Quarantine Station from any ship. The Quarantine Officers at other ports shall furnish similar reports by telegraph to the Principal Medical Officer, which shall be forwarded by him to the Minister.

10. All persons, goods, wares, merchandise, and other articles on board any vessel arriving at any port or place within the Colony, which shall have touched at any port or place, or communicated with any vessel at or on board of which bubonic plague shall be known or suspected to exist, or arriving at such port or place under any other alarming or suspicious circumstances as to infection, although such vessel shall not have come from any place which the Governor may have adjudged and declared it probable that such infectious disease may be brought, may be dealt with in such manner as the Quarantine Officer of such port (acting under the instructions of the Principal Medical Officer) shall direct.

*Communication with ship may be prohibited.*

11. The Quarantine Officer may, in his discretion, direct that all communication between the quarantine ground and the ship shall cease for the whole or any part of the time during which the ship remains liable to quarantine.

## SECTION II.

## DUTIES OF MASTERS OF SHIPS IN QUARANTINE.

*To proceed to Quarantine Station-*

12. The master of any ship ordered into quarantine shall proceed with all possible despatch to the anchorage at the appointed Quarantine Station.

*To assist in landing passengers, etc.*

13. He shall afford every facility to the caretaker of the Quarantine Station, or his assistant, for landing passengers and their luggage, together with such stores as may be required for use on the quarantine ground. The provisions shall be placed in charge of the purser of the ship or other person who shall be landed with the passengers.

*Ship to be thoroughly cleansed.*

14. After the landing of the passengers and their luggage, and the stores, he must cause all bunk fittings in the 'tween decks to be burnt or disinfected, and the ship to be thoroughly cleansed, as the Quarantine Officer may direct.

*Crew's effects to be disinfected.*

15. He must also cause the whole of the clothes worn by the crew, and those remaining in their chests or bags, to be thoroughly washed and disinfected.

*Release from Quarantine.*

16. Before application is made by the master of any ship to be released from quarantine, the Quarantine Officer and the surgeon of the ship shall inspect the crew thereof, and if they are satisfied that the crew are free from any infectious or contagious disease, and that the instructions prescribed in the 11th, 14th, and 15th of these Regulations have been faithfully carried out, they shall forward to the Principal Medical Officer a certificate to that effect, which shall be forthwith reported to the Minister.

## SECTION III.

## DUTIES OF SURGEON IN CHARGE OF QUARANTINE.

*Sick to be placed in hospital.*

17. On the arrival of the ship at the Quarantine Station, the surgeon or other medical officer in charge of the passengers shall, as soon as practicable, cause the sick to be landed and removed to the place set apart as a hospital, together with such attendants as may be required, and may, if he thinks fit, cause all clothes, bedding, and other things belonging to the sick to be burnt.

*Where healthy passengers to be placed.*

18. The healthy people shall then be landed with their luggage, and shall occupy the buildings or tents erected for their reception. Single women shall be placed in charge of the matron (if any), and, when practicable, they shall be located close to the surgeon's quarters, the married people next to the single girls' quarters, and the single men next to the married people, but at some distance away.

*Effects of passengers to be cleansed.*

19. He shall, as soon as practicable, see that all the clothes that have been worn by the passengers during the voyage, and those remaining in their boxes, are properly cleansed, washed, and disinfected.

*Isolation.*

20. He shall not permit any communication whatever to take place between the patients or their attendants in the hospital and the healthy passengers; and in the event of any fresh case breaking out, he will cause the patient to be at once removed to the hospital, and, if necessary, his clothes and bedding to be burnt.

*Matron.*

21. He shall see that the matron (if any) discharges her duties as on board the ship towards those who are intrusted to her care, and that the women's quarters are carefully secured before retiring for the night; and that no communication shall take place between the single women and other passengers without his permission.

*Discipline.*

22. He shall see that the same discipline is enforced as is required to be observed by the passengers on board ships, and shall report to the Principal Medical Officer any person who is guilty of misconduct, or who wilfully destroys or takes any property belonging to the Government or to any person in quarantine, or who commits a breach of these Regulations.

*Letters, etc., to be disinfected before despatch.*

23. He shall see that all letters from passengers are properly disinfected before leaving the quarantine ground.

*Diary and case-book to be kept.*

24. He shall keep a diary and a medical case-book, both of which must be written up daily; and he shall make a report to the Quarantine Officer as often as an opportunity presents itself, in the form of Schedule 2 to these Regulations.

*Quarantine buildings, etc., to be cleansed.*

25. Before the release of the passengers from quarantine he shall cause the whole of the buildings to be thoroughly cleansed, and the tents, cooking utensils, and other articles, which have been used, to be carefully stowed away to the satisfaction of the Quarantine Officer.

*Surgeon's certificate for release.*

26. After the prescribed quarantine has been performed, if the surgeon or other medical officer considers that the passengers are free from further infection, and may be released with safety to the public health, he shall forward to the Quarantine Officer a certificate in the form of Schedule 3 to these Regulations, which shall be forthwith reported to the Minister by the Principal Medical Officer.

SECTION IV.

DUTIES OF PILOTS.

27. Before boarding any vessel arriving at any port in Western Australia, the Pilot shall satisfy himself that no infectious or contagious disease exists on board of such vessel. He shall obtain this information by requiring replies to the questions contained in Schedule 4 of these Regulations.

28. If any infectious or contagious disease exists on board, the Pilot shall, if possible, place the vessel in safety without going on board, and shall then communicate at once with the Quarantine Officer, or, in the absence of that officer, with the Resident Magistrate.

29. Should a Pilot be unable to secure the safety of a vessel entering a port without boarding such vessel he must go on board, and will be liable to perform such quarantine as may be prescribed for the other persons on board.

SCHEDULE 1.

MASTER'S OR SURGEON'S REPORT.

*Questions to be put by the Quarantine Officer to the Master and Surgeon, or other Medical Officer, of ships arriving in Western Australia from beyond sea.*

Questions.	Replies.
1. What is the name of the vessel, and tonnage?	.....
2. What is the Master's name?	.....
3. From what port did you sail, and upon what date?	.....
4. Have you any, and what Bill of Health?	.....
5. At what ports have you touched on your passage?	.....
6. Did you receive any cargo or passengers at the intermediate ports?	.....
7. What is the nature of the cargo, and the number of officers, crew and passengers?	.....
8. From what places did your passengers and goods come before they came on board the ship?	.....
9. With what vessels have you had intercourse or communication on your passage, and from what port or ports did they come?	.....
10. What is the surgeon's name?	.....

SCHEDULE 1—continued.

Questions.	Replies.
11. Did any epidemic, infectious, or contagious disease prevail at the place from which you sailed, or in any of the places at which you have touched, or on board of any vessel with which you have had communication? If so, state where and when	.....
12. Has any case of small-pox, measles, fever, scarlatina, plague, cholera, or other infectious or contagious disease, or any other form of eruptive skin disease, occurred on board during the voyage? If so, state the number of cases and the dates of attack and convalescence or termination of first and last cases of each disease	.....
13. From what places did the persons affected by such sickness come before coming on board the ship?	.....
14. Have the clothes and bedding used by those persons who have suffered from infectious or contagious disease during the voyage been either destroyed or passed through boiling water	.....
15. What means, if any, have been adopted for preventing the spread of any infectious or contagious disease which has occurred during the voyage, from the person or persons affected, amongst the other passengers on board?	.....
16. How many deaths have occurred during the voyage?	.....
17. When did they occur? What was the cause of death in each instance?	.....
18. Have you any sickness on board at present? If so, what is the nature of the sickness, and what number of cases have you under treatment?	.....
19. Are you aware of any circumstances during the voyage or at present, which would render it expedient to place the ship and people in quarantine?	.....

Place....., Master.

Date....., Surgeon.

SCHEDULE 2.

Form of Sick Report.

Full Name.	Age.	Disease.	Date of Admission.	Date of Discharge.	Present state of Health.

Surgeon.

SCHEDULE 3.

Form of Certificate to be given by Medical Officer or Superintending Quarantine, or Quarantine Officer.

I, the undersigned, having superintended the quarantine of the ship.....(and her passengers) do hereby certify that no new case of.....or of any other infectious or contagious disease has occurred amongst the passengers since the.....day of.....190 ; that no communication has taken place between any persons from beyond the Quarantine Station or Quarantine Ground and those now in quarantine, and that the quarantine regulations have been strictly carried out; and I further certify that the passengers may now, with safety, be released from the further performance of quarantine.

Quarantine Station,.....190 .

(If signed by Surgeon of ship, the following Certificate to be added.)

I certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements contained in the above certificate are correct in every particular.

Quarantine Officer.

SCHEDULE 4.

Questions to be answered to the Pilot.

Questions.	Replies.
1. Has any case of small-pox occurred during the voyage? Is so, give the names and ages of the person or persons affected, the date when the illness occurred in each case, and the results ...	.....
2. Has any case of cholera occurred during the voyage? If so, state the number of cases and the date of attack; the result in each case, and the latitude and longitude, as near as may be, where the last occurred ...	.....

SCHEDULE 4—continued.

Questions.	Replies.
3. Has any case of bubonic plague occurred on board? If so, state the number of cases, the dates of attack, and the results ...	.....
4. Has any case of disease, usually supposed to be infectious or contagious, other than those mentioned above, occurred during the voyage? If so, give full particulars of the disease and the number attacked ...	.....
5. What number of deaths have occurred during the voyage? State the cause of death in each case, and the date of its occurrence ...	.....
6. What number of persons above 10 years of age are at present sick or under medical treatment, and from what disease do they suffer, stating each case separately? ...	.....
7. What number of children from two to ten years of age are under medical treatment? State each case separately ...	.....
8. What number of children under two years of age are ill or under medical treatment? State each case separately? ...	.....
9. At what ports or places have you touched, and with what vessels have you communicated since your departure from your port of lading; and at what dates? Did bubonic plague, cholera, small-pox, fever, measles, or other contagious or infectious disease exist at any of such ports or places, or on board any such vessels?	.....
10. Have you any and what Bill of Health?	.....

I hereby declare that the answers given above are true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Surgeon or  
Commanding Officer of .....