

DEATH AT SEA AND HANDLING OF REMAINS

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To prevent the possible spread of communicable diseases on board vessels that may arise from improper handling of dead bodies, the following requirements are hereby promulgated for compliance by all inter-island shipping companies:

- a) In case of death at sea, the dead should be enveloped in a sheet saturated with one of the strong disinfecting solutions and at once buried at sea or placed in a coffin and satisfactorily sealed.
- b) If burial at sea is not done, the remains should be kept in a suitable area far from passenger accommodations, galleys and messrooms.
- c) Remains should be disembarked at the nearest port of call for embalming or burial if it will take more than 24 hours to reach its port of destination.
- d) The remains when landed should be accompanied by a death certificate duly accomplished.

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(SGD.) J. C. AZURIN

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Director of Quarantine

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