



Ship Sanitation Inspection and Issuance of Ship Sanitation Certificate

WHO IHR list of authorized ports

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Legal requirement – IHR provision

- Article 20 – *Airports and ports* – paragraph 3 :

3. Each State Party shall send to WHO a list of ports authorized to offer:

(a) the issuance of Ship Sanitation Control Certificates and the provision of the services referred to in Annexes 1 and 3; or

(b) the issuance of Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificates only; and

(c) extension of the Ship Sanitation Control Exemption Certificate for a period of one month until the arrival of the ship in the port at which the Certificate may be received.

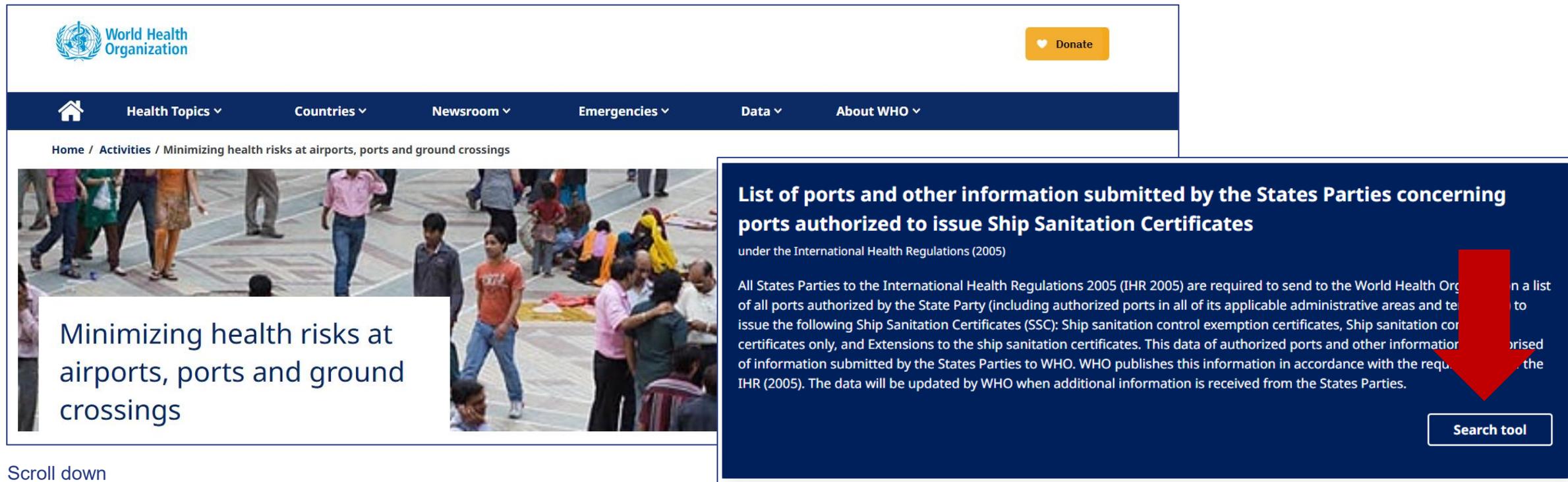
Each State Party shall inform WHO of any changes which may occur to the status of the listed ports. WHO shall publish the information received under this paragraph.

IHR list of authorized ports– scope and objective

- Ship sanitation certificates (SSCs) are the globally recognized tool that promotes common public health standards onboard ships
- SSCs provide a common way to register and communicate across ports and among all stakeholders involved, any public health risks found onboard, and control measures applied
- They contribute to minimizing the risk of international spread of diseases via maritime traffic
- Only SSCs issued by ports authorized by national health authorities are considered valid – this information is collected and regularly updated in the **IHR list of authorized ports**

IHR list of authorized ports – how to access

- Through the WHO webpage: <https://www.who.int/activities/minimizing-health-risks-at-airports-ports-and-ground-crossings>



The screenshot shows the WHO website interface. At the top left is the WHO logo and name. A yellow 'Donate' button is in the top right. A dark blue navigation bar contains a home icon and menu items: 'Health Topics', 'Countries', 'Newsroom', 'Emergencies', 'Data', and 'About WHO'. Below the navigation bar, the breadcrumb path reads 'Home / Activities / Minimizing health risks at airports, ports and ground crossings'. A large image of a busy airport terminal is displayed. A white text box on the left of the image says 'Minimizing health risks at airports, ports and ground crossings'. A red arrow points down from the top left of the image area with the text 'Scroll down'. On the right, a dark blue box contains the title 'List of ports and other information submitted by the States Parties concerning ports authorized to issue Ship Sanitation Certificates' and the subtitle 'under the International Health Regulations (2005)'. Below this is a paragraph of text explaining the requirement for States Parties to submit port information. A red arrow points down from the top right of this box to a white 'Search tool' button.

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Minimizing health risks at airports, ports and ground crossings

Scroll down

List of ports and other information submitted by the States Parties concerning ports authorized to issue Ship Sanitation Certificates
under the International Health Regulations (2005)

All States Parties to the International Health Regulations 2005 (IHR 2005) are required to send to the World Health Organization a list of all ports authorized by the State Party (including authorized ports in all of its applicable administrative areas and territories) to issue the following Ship Sanitation Certificates (SSC): Ship sanitation control exemption certificates, Ship sanitation control certificates only, and Extensions to the ship sanitation certificates. This data of authorized ports and other information is published on the WHO website as a list of information submitted by the States Parties to WHO. WHO publishes this information in accordance with the requirements of the IHR (2005). The data will be updated by WHO when additional information is received from the States Parties.

Search tool

IHR list of authorized ports – how to access

- Through the direct link: <https://extranet.who.int/ihr/poedata/public/en>



The screenshot displays the WHO IHR List of Authorized Ports web interface. At the top left is the WHO logo and the text "World Health Organization". At the top right, there are language options: "English", "Français", "Русский", and "Español". Below the header, there are two buttons: "Download the FULL list in PDF" and "Download the FULL list in CSV". The main content area is titled "IHR List of Authorized Ports :". It features a search form with a dropdown menu set to "Look into all fields", a search input field, a "Search" button, and a checkbox for "Low bandwidth connection". Below the search form, it shows "25 results per page". At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the WHO logo, "WHO web site", "IHR web site", and "© WHO 2023".

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IHR List of Authorized Ports :

Look into all fields ▾

Low bandwidth connection

25 ▾ results per page

19 results match your search

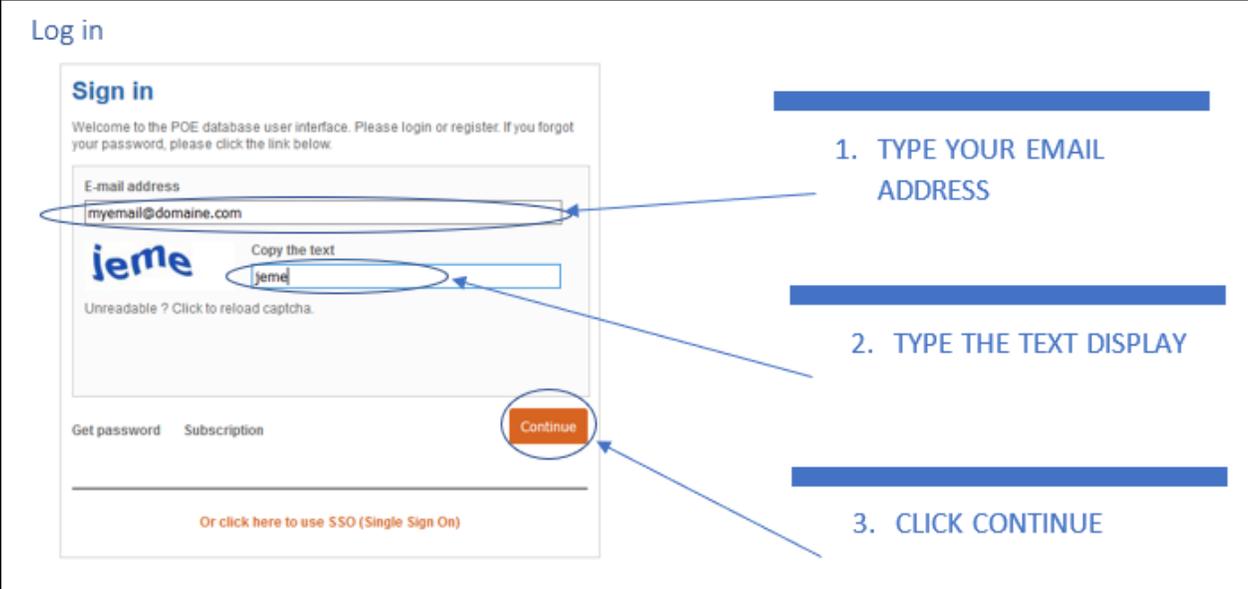
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Identification			Location	Ship Sanitation Certificates				Details	
Type	Name	Code		SSCC	SSCEC	Extension	Competent authority	POE Comment (other information for authorised ports if any)	
	Amsterdam	NLAMS	Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	yes	yes	yes		www.shipsanitation.nl	
	Aruba (Antilles)	AWAUA	Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	yes	yes	yes		Contact name: Marc Figaroa (Director Aruba Ports Authority) Contact e-mail: Marc.Figaroa@arubaports.com	
	Beverwijk	NLBEV	Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	yes	yes	yes		www.shipsanitation.nl	
	Bonaire (Antilles)	BQBON	Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	yes	yes	yes		www.shipsanitation.nl	

IHR list of authorized ports – how to update

- All National IHR Focal Points have access to the web interface:
https://extranet.who.int/ihr/poedata/data_entry/en
- The web interface allows to:
 - Keep up to date with the information on the ports within the territory of your State Party
 - Delegate data management to a different focal point



The screenshot shows a 'Log in' page for the POE database user interface. It features a 'Sign in' section with an 'E-mail address' field containing 'myemail@domaine.com', a 'Copy the text' field containing 'jeme', and a 'Continue' button. Below the 'Continue' button is a link for 'Or click here to use SSO (Single Sign On)'. Three numbered instructions are provided on the right side of the page, each with a blue arrow pointing to the corresponding field or button on the login form:

1. TYPE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS
2. TYPE THE TEXT DISPLAY
3. CLICK CONTINUE

IHR list of authorized ports – how to update

The screenshot shows the World Health Organization IHR system interface. The navigation menu at the top includes: Territory selection, **Dashboard** (circled in red), **POE management** (circled in green), **Group management** (circled in yellow), User management, and Admin. The main content area is divided into three sections: Dashboard summary, Report list, and Modifications pending approval. The Dashboard summary section contains a table with the following data:

Authorized ports of issuance of	SSCC	SSCEC	Extension
	0	0	0

Below the table, it states: "List of port that may face emergency situation (Public Health Emergencies score > 75%)". The "UPDATED" date is 10/02/2026. The Report list section shows a list of reports available to the current user, including: IHR List of authorized ports to issue Ship Sanitation Certificates, CSV Version: IHR List of authorized ports to issue Ship Sanitation Certificates, IHR List of authorized ports to issue Ship Sanitation Certificates-National, Public Search Tools, and POE Database - Global Dashboard. The Modifications pending approval section includes a search form with fields for Start date, End date, and a Search button, along with a checkbox for Mail notification activated.

- ➔ Dashboard: overview of ports authorized to issue SSCCs
- ➔ POE management: manage port-specific information
- ➔ Group and user management: group-specific ports and delegate their data management
- ➔ Modifications pending approval: if port data management is delegated, this section enables following progress on updates

Invalid certificates

- The Border Health team at WHO HQ regularly collects information on invalid SSCs shared by border health authorities globally
- WHO, through its Regional and Country Offices, shares this information with the concerned States Parties on a quarterly to rectify the situation
- For any support in updating the IHR list of authorized ports, please contact ihrpag@who.int

THANK YOU