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Rules 11 May 1965, 5 November 1965, Legal Notices Nos. 76 of 1967, 121 of 1971, 48 of 1973, 97 of 1974, 57 of 1975, 96 of 1975, 1 of 1976, 46 of 1976, 75 of 1977, 192 of 1980

Short title

1. These Rules..may be cited as the Quarantine Rules.

Interpretation

2. In the interpretation of these Rules the provisions of regulation 2 of the Quarantine Regulations shall apply.

Form of pratique-

3. The certificate of pratique shall be in the form set out in the First Schedule.

Granting of pratique

4.-(1) No person shall board any vessel or aircraft, unless and until the Authority has granted pratique or has given permission for such person to board: Provided that the harbour pilot, and if necessary his assistants, may in an emergency board any vessel before pratique has been granted and, if it be found that the conditions are such that pratique is not granted, neither the pilot or his assistants who have boarded the vessel shall leave the same until the Authority has visited the vessel and granted them permission to do so.

(a) Pratique may be withdrawn by the Authority in the event of any quarantinable disease breaking out during the currency of any certificate of pratique.

(b) If the Authority decides not to grant pratique, he shall cause the signals prescribed by the Quarantine Regulations to be displayed on the vessel or aircraft until pratique has been granted.

(c) When a vessel or an aircraft touches several ports or airports in Fiji in direct sequence, it shall not be necessary to submit the vessel or

aircraft or passengers or crew to further sanitary measures or medical inspection after the first port or airport, unless the Authority otherwise directs, for the reason that some new incident has occurred or that it has ascertained that some measure previously applied was not effective.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in these Rules contained, the Authority may, when on the basis of information received he infers that the waiving of medical inspection will not result in the introduction or spread of a quarantinable or other infectious disease, grant pratique by radio under the provisions of rule 6.

Vessels not to leave mooring ground till granted pratique

5. A vessel brought to a mooring ground or landing place pursuant to the provisions of the Act or of any regulations or rules made thereunder shall remain there until granted pratique.

Radio pratique

6.-(1) The master of any vessel approved by the Authority as eligible for radio pratique may apply for such pratique by sending to the Authority not more than 12 and not less than 4 hours before the expected time of arrival of the vessel at a port in Fiji a radio message embodying such of the items of information set out in the Third Schedule to the Quarantine Regulations as are applicable.

Every such message shall, except in cases in which the Authority otherwise directs, conform with the provisions relating to routine quarantine messages contained in the 1931 International Code of Signals.

The Quarantine Officer may grant radio pratique to a vessel if he is satisfied from the radio message received from such vessel and such other information which may be in his possession that no person on board the vessel has symptoms which may be indicative of infectious disease and that there are no circumstances in relation to the vessel requiring medical attention.

When a vessel has been granted radio pratique the master shall, immediately on arrival at a port in Fiji, deliver or cause to be delivered to the Quarantine Officer the relevant declaration of health, and the deratization certificate or deratization exemption certificate. Any such certificate other than the

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declaration of health shall be returned after inspection, and if the Quarantine Officer is satisfied that it is in order so to do, he shall hand to the master a certificate of pratique.

Vessel ordered to quarantine mooring ground

(k) The master of a vessel ordered to a mooring ground or other place shall, if required by the Authority, furnish the necessary boats and appliances for the landing of the passengers and crew at the observation station.

Infected vessel or aircraft may be granted pratique

(l) Infected and suspected vessels or aircraft, after having been dealt with in accordance with the provisions of Part VII of the Quarantine Regulations, as the case may be, shall be granted pratique.

Certificate to be Issued by Authority

(m) The Authority applying any sanitary measures shall, when requested, furnish the master of the vessel or aircraft or any other interested person with a certificate free of charge specifying the nature of the measures and the methods employed, the parts of the vessel or aircraft treated and the reasons why the measures have been applied. Similarly, the Authority shall issue on demand to passengers who have arrived by an infected vessel or aircraft, a certificate, free of charge, setting out the date of their arrival and the measures to which they and their luggage have been subjected.

Special sanitary measures not to be repeated unless necessary

10.-(1) Vessels and aircraft arriving from an infected area, which have been subjected to sufficient sanitary measures in Fiji to the satisfaction of the Authority shall not be subjected to these measures again on their arrival at another port or airport in Fiji unless since their departure some incident has occurred which requires the application of the aforesaid sanitary measures or unless they have called at an infected port, otherwise than for taking in fuel.

A vessel or an aircraft shall not be considered as having "called to a Port or airport" if, without having been in communication with the shore or airport, it has landed only passengers and their

luggage and mails, or if it has taken on board only mails or passengers, with or without their luggage, who have not been in communication with the port or with an infected local area.

In the case of yellow fever, the vessel shall, in addition, have kept as far as possible and at least 400 metres from inhabited land and at such a distance from the harbour boats (pontoons) as to make access of *stegomyia (Aedes aegypti)* improbable.

Passengers not to land without permission: if pratique not granted

11. No person on board a vessel or aircraft which has not been granted pratique shall leave such vessel or aircraft, except with the permission of the Authority.

Powers of Authority on berthing

1.---(1) The Authority may require the master of any vessel_ at any port in Fiji-

(a) not to berth his vessel alongside any wharf, unless it is fended away therefrom for a distance of at least 8 feet;

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(2) not to berth his vessel alongside any wharf or quay or otherwise in connection with the shore or any other vessel, unless all warps, cables, ropes and other shore-moorings are provided with rat-guards to the satisfaction of the Authority, fixed thereon as may be directed but, generally, not less than 4 feet nor more than 6 feet from the vessel's side;

(3) to keep every warp, cable, rope or other shore-mooring as aforesaid covered with fresh tar for a distance of not less than three feet from the vessel's side and, for this purpose, to renew such tar-covering at least every 5 days;

(4) to keep similarly tar-covered the outside of any canvas or other covering used round a shore-mooring;

(5) to whitewash every evening between 5 and 6 o'clock every gangway communicating between the vessel and the wharf, jetty, quay or shore for a length of not less than 8 feet from the vessel's side and over its entire width and to keep a light burning at the vessel's end of the gangway from sunset to sunrise;

(f) to keep all port holes, hawser holes and other openings on the side of the vessel adjacent to the wharf, jetty, quay or shore closed or screened in order to prevent the passage of rats, unless the ship is fended away from the wharf, jetty, quay or shore for a distance of at least 8 feet;

(d) to raise all gangways or planks, when not actually in use, to a distance of at least 8 feet from the wharf, between sunrise and sunset;

(e) to anchor away from the wharf, jetty or shore between sunset and sunrise;

(f) to take all practicable measures to prevent the discharge from his ship of sewage and refuse which in the opinion of the Authority might contaminate the waters of any port or river and to comply with any general or special instructions made by the Authority in that behalf.

(3) The expenses of carrying out such measures as may be required by the Authority under the provisions of this rule shall be borne by the master of the vessel.

(4) Any master of a vessel upon whom a notice has been served under the provisions of paragraph (1), who fails to comply therewith shall be guilty of a contravention of these Rules.

Precautions against rodents

13....(1) all buildings in a wharf area shall be kept in a good state of repair and be made rat-proof to the satisfaction of the Authority.

(2) The owner or occupier of each building in a wharf area shall take all reasonable steps to destroy rodents in such building and shall comply with all instructions given to him by the Authority for this purpose.

(3) The provisions of this rule shall bind the Crown;

Canteens, etc.

14. The owner or occupier of any canteen, other than a travelling canteen or refreshment bar in any wharf area shall conform with the provisions of the Public Health (Hotels, Restaurants and Refreshment Bars) Regulations. (See Cap. 111.)

15. The hours of clearance of vessels subject to quarantine shall be from 7 a.m. to sunset: Provided

that-

- (a) in the case of vessels which have left or called at any place in the New Hebrides, the Solomon Islands, or New Guinea or any port or place in Australia north of the latitude of Brisbane or the Panama Canal, the East Indies or Asia or any port or place in which malarial carrying mosquitoes are present within fifty days preceding the date of arrival in Fiji, the hours shall be from one hour after sunrise to one hour before sunset;
- (b) mail vessels having a properly qualified ship's medical officer and ships of war may be cleared between the hours of 7 a.m. and 11 p.m.

Measures to be applied to vessel in filthy condition

(2) Where a vessel or aircraft has passengers on board who are in a filthy or otherwise unwholesome condition or is overcrowded with passengers, the Authority may, if in his opinion it is desirable for the purpose of preventing the introduction or spread of any quarantinable or other infectious disease, subject all or any of the persons on board to observation or surveillance for such period as he may direct.

Persons detained on quarantine

(3) Persons directed by the Authority to be detained under observation shall, if ordered to disembark, remain at the quarantine station.

Persons permitted to enter quarantine station

(4) No person, except the Authority or persons authorised by him, shall enter a quarantine station and no person who has been detained at a quarantine station shall leave such station till he has been granted permission to do so by the Authority.

Charges for Quarantine and Port Health Services

19.-(1) Where, in pursuance of the Quarantine Regulations, or of these Rules any person is detained under observation, charges for maintenance may be made at the rate set out in item 1 of the Second Schedule and all such expenses shall be borne and paid by, and may be recovered by the Government from, the person specified in the said item of the said Schedule.

There shall be payable by the owner, master or agent of the vessel or aircraft concerned, or by the person concerned in respect of the matters set out under items 2 and 3 in the first column of the Second Schedule the charges specified opposite thereto in the second column of the said Schedule, if demanded.

Overtime charges

The charges set out in the Third Schedule shall be borne and paid by, and may be recovered by the Government from, the owner, master or agent of a vessel or aircraft for special services and overtime work by any officer of the Medical and Health Department as specified in the said Schedule.

In any proceedings for the recovery of any such charges a certificate signed

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by the Authority, showing the amount due, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the amount due by any person named therein.

Documents in case of members of armed forces

8. A vaccination document issued by the armed forces for an active member of those forces shall be accepted in lieu of an international certificate in the form prescribed in the Quarantine Regulations, if-

- (a) it embodies medical information substantially the same as that required by such form; and
- (b) it contains a statement in English or French recording the nature and date of the vaccination and to the effect that it is issued in accordance with article 99 of the International Sanitary Regulations adopted by the Fourth World Health Assembly in 1951 and amended by the Eighth and Ninth World Health Assemblies in 1955 and 1956.

9. The stamp to be used by the Authority shall be in the form set out in the Fourth Schedule.

FIRST SCHEDULE

(Rule 3)

FIJI

QUARANTINE ACT

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CERTIFICATE OF PRATIQUE

Granted to the [insert the name of the vessel] of which (insert the name of the master)
is master at _____ at _____ o'clock in fore/afternoon the day
of _____, 19 ____.

This certificate shall have effect in [state name(s) of port or ports] or until
[insert date or the words "the end of the current voyage", giving details of terminal point].

This certificate shall not unless explicitly expressed, exempt the vessel from
fumigation or any other measure of disinfection. In the event of any quarantinable
disease breaking out during currency, this certificate shall become null and void, and
must be surrendered on demand to a Quarantine Officer.

Port:

Date:

Quarantine Officer

SECOND SCHEDULE

(Rule 19)

(Amended by Legal Notice 192 of 1980.)

SCHEDULE OF CHARGES FOR QUARANTINE AND PORT
HEALTH SERVICES

1. Charges for subsistence, housing and medical care {ex- cluding
special services) during detention at a Quarantine

Station per person per day

(2) Ship's officers and cabin passengers,.

(3) Children-

- i over 10 years.....
- i 3-10years.....
- i under 3 years

\$ c

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{minimum charge)

30.00

16.00

No charge

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2. Special services-	\$ c
(a) Vaccination and Inoculation per person.....	Free
(b) Disinfection or bathing of persons per person	5.00
(c) Disinfection of personal baggage per kilogram of baggage.....	5.00
(d) Disinfection of imported second-hand clothing per	

	kilogram of clothing	5.00
(e)	Inspection of vessels for the purpose of issuing a Deratization Certificate (including certificate if issued):-	
	Vessels not exceeding 509 tonnes.....	30.00
	Vessels exceeding 509 tonnes but not exceeding 1016 tonnes.....	40.00
	Vessels exceeding 1016 tonnes but not exceeding 2540 tonnes.....	50.00
	Vessels exceeding 2540 tonnes but not exceeding 5080 tonnes.....	60.00
	Vessels exceeding 5080 tonnes	80.00
	(Net registered tonnage in each case)	
(f)	Setting of traps or laying of poison baits in vessels-	
	For every 20 rat traps set or re-set and attended	15.00
	For every 120 poison baits laid and attended	30.00
i	• Inspection of vessel from malarial ports-	
	Vessels not exceeding 509 tonnes	
	Vessels exceeding 509 tonnes but not exceeding 1016 tonnes	
	Vessels exceeding 1016 tonnes but not exceeding 2540 tonnes	
	Vessels exceeding 2540 tonnes but not exceeding 5080 tonnes	
	Vessels exceeding 5080 tonnes.....	
	(Net registered tonnage in each case)	
i	Launch hire	
3.-(1)	Fumigation service- .Fumigation of spaces in vessels-	
	(5) Rats-	
	Fumigation for rats under the International Health Regulations (i.e. using 141.75 grams of potassium cyanide or 56.7 grams of cyanide impregnated discoids):-	
	(a) for first 114m ³ of space	
	(b) for each additional 28.35 m ³ of space	
	- Minimum charge for launch hire	
	(2) Mosquitoes-	
	Disinfection for mosquitoes . only (i.e. using aerosol insecticides World Health Organization Formulation):-	
	i for first 114 m ³ of space	
	ii each additional 28.35 m ³ of space	
		30.00
		40.00
		50.00
		60.00
		80.00
		30.00
		(minimum charge)
30.00 •		
5.00		
30.00		
25.00		
5.00		

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Minimu charge including costs for aerosols for vessels less

than 114 m³ of space

Minimum charge for vessels more than 114 m³ of space

Minimum charge for launch hire

20. AU Vermin

(a) Fumigation for destruction of all vermin (i.e. using 283.5 grams potassium cyanide or 113.4 grams cyanide impregnated discoids).

i for first 114m³ of space.....

ii for each additional 28.35 m³ of space

Minimum charge for launch hire

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Charge for supervision of fumigation when carried out by the owners or agents of vessels or their employees

The above charges include materials, apparatus and the services of staff and are based upon the fact that ship's boats will be available for transport of materials, apparatus and staff between wharf and vessel. When other means of transport are necessary -the actual cost of same will be charged to the vessel undergoing disinfection or fumigation:

(c) Provided that the charge for the use of a Government launch shall be calculated at a rate of not less than \$30.00 per trip to Quarantine Station or mooring ground.

30.00
50.00
30.00

30.00
5.00
30.00

50.00

THIRD SCHEDULE (Rule 19)

(Substituted by Legal Notice 75 of 1977.)

OVERTIME CHARGES

(a) Health Inspectors, Senior Assistant Health Inspectors, Assistant Health Inspectors, Senior Mosquito Inspectors and Mosquito Inspectors-

<i>Salary</i>	<i>Weekdays (per hour)</i>	<i>and Public Holidays (per hour)</i>
\$	\$	\$
5,350	4.17	5.56
5,260	4.09	5.46
5,230	4.08	5.44
5,200	4.05	5.40
5,165	4.02	5.36
5,160	4.02	5.36

Saturdays, Sundays

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<i>Salary</i>	<i>Weekdays (per hour)</i>	<i>Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays (per hour)</i>
\$	\$	\$
5,120	3.99	5.32
5,100	3.97	5.30
5,060	3.94	5.26
5,040	3.93	5.24
5,000	3.90	5.20
4,990	3.88	5.18
4,980	3.88	5.18
4,940	3.85	5.14
4,930	3.84	5.12
4,900	3.82	5.10
4,890	3.81	5.08

		4,880	3.81	5.08
		4,830	3.76	5.02
		4,810	3.75	5.00
		4,800	3.73	4.98
		4,780	3.72	4.96
		4,770	- 3.72	4.96
4,740	3.69	4.92		
4,720	3.67	4.90		
4,670	3.64	4.86		
4,630	3.61	4.82		
4,620	3.60	4.80		
4,610	3.60	4.80		
4,600	3.58	4.78		
4,580	3.57	4.76		
4,560	3.55	4.74		
4,520	3.52	4.70		
4,470	3.48	4.64		
4,460	3.48	4.64		
4,450	3.46	4.62		
4,440	3.46	4.62		
4,430	3.45	4.60		
4,400	3.43	4.58		
4,370	3.40	4.54		
4,320	3.37	4.50		
4,310	3.36	4.48		
4,300	3.34	4.46		
4,280	3.33	4.44		
4,270	3.33	4.44		
4,250	3.31	4.42		
4,230	3.30	4.40		
4,170	3.25	4.34		
4,160	3.24	4.32		
4,150	3.24	4.32		
(a)		4,750	3.70	4.94

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		<i>Salary</i>	<i>Weekdays (per hour)</i>	<i>Saturdays and Public Holidays (per hour)</i>	<i>Sundays</i>
		\$	\$	\$	
		4,140	3.22	4.30	
		4,096	3.19	4.26	
		4,090	3.19	4.26	
		4,080	3.18	4.24	

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4,030	3.13	4.18
4,020	3.13	4.18
4,010	3.12	4.16
3,940	3.07	4.10
3,930	3.06	4.08
3,890	3.03	4.04
3,880	3.03	4.04
3,870	3.01	4.02
3,830	2.98	3.98
3,790	2.95	3.94
3,780	2.94	3.92
3,760	2.92	3.90
3,745	2.92	3.90
3,740	2.91	3.88
3,720	2.89	3.86
3,710	2.89	3.86

3,700	2.88	3.84
3,660	2.85	3.80
3,650	2.85	3.80
3,630	2.83	3.78
3,610	2.82	3.76
3,600	2.80	3.74
3,590	2.80	3.74
3,570	2.79	3.72
3,560	2.77	3.70
3,530	2.74	3.66
3,510	2.73	3.64
3,500	2.73	3.64
3,470	2.70	3.60
3,460	2.70	3.60
3,450	2.68	3.58
3,440	2.68	3.58
3,400	2.65	3.54
3,390	2.64	3.52
3,380	2.64	3.52
3,345	2.61	3.48
3,330	2.59	3.46
3,300	2.58	3.44

3,280	2.55	3.40
3,279	2.55	3.40
3,270	2.55	3.40

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<i>Salary</i>	<i>Weekdays (per hour)</i>	<i>Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays (per hour)</i>	<i>Rate</i>
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\$	\$	\$
3,265	2.55	3.40
3,260	2.53	3.38
3,240	2.52	3.36
3,215	2.50	3.34
3,210	2.50	3.34
3,160	2.46	3.28
3,150	2.46	3.28
3,140	2.44	3.26
3,090	2.41	3.22
3,085	2.40	3.20
3,055	2.38	3.18
3,050	2.38	3.18
3,040	2.37	3.16
3,035	2.37	3.16
3,030	2.35	3.14
2,970	2.31	3.08
2,965	2.31	3.08
2,950	2.29	3.06
2,940	2.29	3.06
2,935	2.29	3.06
2,910	2.26	3.02
2,880	2.25	3.00
2,855	2.22	2.96
2,850	2.22	2.96
2,840	2.22	2.96
2,810	2.19	2.92
2,801	2.19	2.92
2,790	2.17	2.90
2,770	2.16	2.88
2,755	2.14	2.86
2,750	2.14	2.86
2,740	2.13	2.84
2,735	2.13	2.84
2,710	2.11	2.82
2,685	2.10	2.80

2,680	2.08	2.78
2,660	2.07	2.76
2,655	2.07	2.76
2,640	2.05	2.74
2,610	2.04	2.72
2,600	2.02	2.70
2,590	2.02	2.70
2,570	2.01	2.68

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2,555	1.99	2.66
2,550	1.99	2.66

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Quarantine
and Public Holidays
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Salary

Weekdays
(per hour)

\$	\$	\$
2,535	1.98	2.64
2,510	1.95	2.60
2,500	1.95	2.60
2,490	1.93	2.58
2,460	1.92	2.56
2,455	1.92	2.56
2,420	1.89	2.52
2,410	1.87	2.50
2,380	1.86	2.48
2,370	1.84	2.46
2,355	1.83	2.44
2,350	1.83	2.44
2,340	1.83	2.44
2,330	1.81	2.42
2,320	1.81	2.42
2,310	1.80	2.40
2,290	1.78	2.38
2,270	1.77	2.36
2,265	1.77	2.36
2,240	1.74	2.32
2,235	1.74	2.32
2,210	1.72	2.30
2,200	1.71	2.28
2,190	1.71	2.28
2,175	1.69	2.26
2,160	1.68	2.24
2,150	1.68	2.24
2,140	1.66	2.22
2,130	1.66	2.22
2,110	1.65	2.20
2,090	1.63	2.18
2,085	1.63	2.18

Saturdays, Sundays

2,060	1.60	2.14
2,040	1.59	2.12
2,020	1.57	2.10
2,000	1.56	2.08
1,995	1.56	2.08
1,990	1.54	2.06
1,960	1.53	2.04
1,955	1.53	2.04
1,940	1.51	2.02
1,930	1.50	2.00
1,920	1.50	2.00
1,915	1.50	2.00
2,070	1.62	2.16

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<i>Salary</i>	<i>Weekdays (per hour)</i>	<i>Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays (per hour)</i>
\$	\$	\$
1,910	1.48	1.98
1,895	1.47	1.96
1,880	1.47	1.96
1,845	1.44	1.92
1,840	1.44	1.92
1,830	1.42	1.90
1,775	1.38	1.84
1,770	1.38	1.84
1,710	1.33	1.78
1,655	1.29	1.72
1,605	1.24	1.66

Provided that the minimum charge shall be for a period of 3 hours;

(2) Fumigation and disinfection, workmen, each, per hour-

- (a) Weekdays \$2.20
- (b) Saturdays and Sundays \$2.30
- (c) Public Holidays..... \$3.20

Provided that the minimum charge shall be for a period of 3 hours.

FOURTH SCHEDULE

(Rule 21)

Controlled by Ministry of Health