REGULATIONS FOR CONDUCTING HEALTH SERVICES TO SHIPS (FUMIGATION AND DERATTING)

Issued by the Board of Directors of Jordan Maritime Authority, by virtue of paragraph (K) of Article (9) of Jordan Maritime Authority Law No. (17) for the year 2002.

Article 1:
These regulations shall be named (Regulations for Conducting Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan for the year 2003) and shall come into force on the date of publication in the official Gazette).

Article 2:
The following words and terms wherever mentioned in these Regulations shall have the meanings assigned thereto hereunder unless the context expressly provides otherwise.

- The Minister: The Minister of Transport
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- The Director: The Director General of Jordan Maritime Authority.
- The Authority: Jordan Maritime Authority.
- The Licensee: The normal or nominal person registered as a company or an establishment who is licensed by the concerned authority to Conducting Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) in The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.
- The Store: The allocated secure place to store fumigation materials and equipment.

Article 3:
Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) shall be conducted in The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan by a company or an establishment licensed by either of the following authorities:

A- The Authority, if the company’s office is located outside the borderlines of Aqaba Special Economic Zone in accordance with the provisions of these regulations.
B- Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority, in coordination with the Authority if the company’s office is located within the borderlines of Aqaba Special Economic Zone and in accordance with Aqaba Special
Economic Zone Law No. (32) for year 2002 and the bylaws and regulations issued thereof.

Article 4:
The Director shall form a committee from the Authority’s staff to perform the following tasks:

A- Review the application and documents submitted for license, and the committee shall be entitled to acquire any documents it sees necessary for approving the license.
B- Checking on the companies and establishments licensed to conduct Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) and follow-up to ensure compliance with the license terms and conditions, and the provisions of these regulations.

Article 5:
The licensee’s tasks for Conducting Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) shall be as follows:

A- Fumigating ship cargo holds.
B- Fumigating the accommodation areas.
C- Issue of the deratting certificates.

Article 6:
Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) shall be conducted through an independent license, separate from any other maritime services, including ship agency, marine maintenance, representing protection and indemnity clubs or freight forwarding.

Article 7:
The Licensee shall perform the Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) in accordance with the relevant international health requirements, the national legislation, maritime safety and quality standards.

Article 8:
The licensee shall submit, 24 hours before performing any services, a written application to the Authority specifying the type of service requested and attaching with it the ship master’s written request. A permission from the Port Authority should be obtained.
Article 9:
The conditions of licensing the companies intending to conduct Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) shall be as follows:

A) The Licensee has to be registered in the Kingdom at the Companies Controller Department at the Ministry of Industry and Trade.
B) The registered paid up capital must not be less than (10000) Ten Thousand JDs.
C) The company must have a full time Jordanian manager with the following qualifications and practical experience:
   1- Bsc. Degree in public health or environmental health or agriculture with an experience in fumigation of ships for a minimum period of four years with a training from an approved institution, or
   2- Diploma in public health or environmental health or agriculture with an experience in fumigation of ships for a minimum period of six years with a training from an approved institution.
D) The number of the licensee’s employees must not be less than (3) persons, including the Manager with qualifications in ship safety equipment maintenance.
E) The licensee has to perform his tasks in an independent office with an area of (50) square meters, equipped with a telephone, fax and a connected computer with the internet.
F) The licensee has to allocate a store for equipment and outfits needed to the services rendered.
G) Certified copies of the Memorandum of Association, putting down the names of the partners/shareholders, the company’s objectives, the registration certificate and a statement indicating the signatory authorized persons in the administrative, financial and judicial matters.
H) A certified copy of the property title deed or the lease contract for the offices of the Licensee.
I) A copy of each employee contract for persons employed by the company certified by the Ministry of Labor, and a certificate, issued by the Social Security Corporation, which includes names of company’s employees who have enrolled in the social security.
J) A certified copy of the profession license.
K) Getting the approval of the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Agriculture.
L) For the purpose of issuing a deratting certificate to foreign ships, the licensee has to acquire the approval of the classification society or the flag state or the approval the Authority for ship flying the Jordanian flag.

M) The licensee number at the income tax department.

Article 10:
For the purpose of disposing of harmful materials used in fumigation, the Licensee shall acquire the required approvals with regard to environment protection from the concerned authorities.

Article 11:
Prior to commencing fumigation, the licensee shall take the following measures:
- Preventing persons from embarking onboard the ship during fumigation excluding persons carrying out the work.
- Laying down the necessary warning signs at a noticeable place.
- Taking all the necessary cautions to safeguard human beings and the ship.
- Moving the ship to a specified berth for performing the fumigation with the approval of the Port Authority and at the expense of the ship owner.

Article 12:
Procedures for granting the license to conduct Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) shall be defined as follows:
A) For companies based outside the borderlines of Aqaba Special Economic Zone:
- Submission of a registration application to the Authority attaching the documents mentioned in Article (10) of these regulations.
- Checking on the offices of the company by the committee and granting the approval if the requirements are duly met.
- The Director shall issue the required license after payment of the required fees. The license shall be valid for one year and may be renewed annually upon the committee’s recommendation.
B) For companies based within the borderlines of Aqaba Special Economic Zone:

- Submission of a registration application to Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority.
- The application shall be referred to the Authority for review attached with the documents mentioned in Article (10).
- The Authority shall check on the offices of the company by the committee and granting the approval if the requirements are duly met.
- The Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority shall issue the required license.

**Article 13:**
The Authority shall have the right, at any time, to check on the company or the establishment to make sure that it is abiding by the provisions of these regulations. The Director shall be entitled to, temporarily, suspend the license, or cancel it completely, in case a violation of license terms and conditions is committed and the violation has not been corrected after the Licensee is notified within a specified period of time as the Director sees fit.

**Article 14:**
All companies which are licensed to conduct Health Services to Ships (Fumigation and Deratting) in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan should adjust their status in accordance with these regulations within a period not exceeding six months from the date these regulations have come into force.

**Article 15:**
All previous Regulations on these matters shall be considered cancelled as of the date of publication of these regulations in the Official Gazette.