

COVID-19 Testing: Information for Crew on Ships

Testing can determine if you have COVID-19 or were infected in the past. This is important information that you and your ship can use to protect your health and the health of people around you.



Types of COVID-19 tests

Some tests can detect current infection



Viral tests

- Nasal swab
- Saliva specimen

Other tests may be able to detect past infection



Antibody tests

- Blood draw
- Finger stick



- Some tests are point-of-care tests, and results may be available at the testing site in less than an hour.
- Other tests are sent to a lab, and results may take 1-3 days once received by the lab.

Who should be tested onboard a ship?

People with symptoms of COVID-19



Close contacts of people with symptoms of COVID-19



People onboard without symptoms (screening tests for monitoring disease on board)



How can I get tested?



Consult your ship's designated medical personnel. **Ships** can contact CDC with any questions or concerns at eocevent349@cdc.gov. **Crew** can contact CDC directly with any questions or concerns at eocevent431@cdc.gov.



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