



UNOLS Update – COVID-19 & return to ops

- Pause in Operations – 17 March, targeted return to ops ~1 July
- Developed guidance for restarting science operations
 - Operators conduct risk assessments, implement risk mitigation, develop outbreak management plans
 - Joint decision with Chief Scientist on Go / No-Go
 - Review with funding agencies & UNOLS Office
- Starting with low risk cruises
 - Sikuliaq – Russ Hopcroft – NGA LTER
 - Neil Armstrong – Al Pleuddemann – OOI Pioneer
 - Neil Armstrong – Bob Pickart – OOI OSNAP
 - Pelican & Atlantic Explorer
- Resources – see UNOLS Coronavirus Webpage
- 2020 Re-scheduling & 2021 Scheduling underway
- UNOLS Marine Facilities Planning (MFP) Development

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We are posting updates as we receive them. Links to the CDC, WHO, and other relevant maritime resources are below.

UPDATE 18 June 20
[International Chamber of Shipping - Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Guidance for Ship Operators for the Protection of the Health of Seafarers, Vers. 2.1, dated 29 May 2020](#)

UPDATE 3 June 20
[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Considerations for Making Decision Regarding Conducting Science Onboard U.S. Academic Research Fleet Vessels V.1.8](#)

UPDATE 2 June 20
[USCG Marine Safety Information Bulletin - Novel Coronavirus - MSIB Number: 02-20 \(Change 5\)](#)

UPDATE 14 May 20
[George Washington Medical Maritime Medical Access \(GW-MMA\) Coronavirus Guidance](#)

UPDATE 29 Apr 20

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Background for UNOLS COVID-19 Considerations and Guidance Cont'd

- Real world events
 - USS Theodore Roosevelt
 - USS Kidd
 - F/V American Dynasty & sister ships
- CDC, WHO, ICS, USCG
- GW Medical
- UW Medical
- Discovery Health



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UNOLS COVID-19 Considerations and Guidance

- Pre-cruise planning
- Preparing for Operations
- Risk Assessment & Mitigation
 - Marine Superintendent & Chief Scientist
- Self Isolation and Testing
- Final Risk Determination – Go / No-Go
 - Joint decision
- Agency concurrence



Life onboard

- Masks required
- Social Distancing
- Increased cleaning regimes
- Lots of hand-washing
- No/limited self-service of food & drinks
- Meals in shifts – reduced mess deck seating
- Limits to personnel in the gym & lounges