

**HEALTH SERVICES (COVID 19)(PREVENTION
AND MANAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY SPREAD)
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**HEALTH SERVICES ACT
(CHAPTER 231)**

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MANAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY SPREAD)
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The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 29 of the Health Services Act (*Ch. 231*) hereby makes the following rules —

1. Citation.

These Rules may be cited as the Health Services (Covid 19)(Prevention and Management of Community Spread)(Amendment)(No.12) Rules, 2022.

2. Repeal and replacement of rule 7 of the principal Rules.

Rule 7 of the principal Rules is repealed and replaced as follows —

“7. Cruise ships.

- (1) Every cruise line desirous of embarking on a passenger voyage to enter a port in The Bahamas shall develop and submit to the Minister, a health protocol including entry testing requirements that are no less strict than the entry testing requirements contained in these Rules.
- (2) The cruise line's protocol referred to in paragraph (1) shall be followed by each of its cruise ships desiring entry into a port in The Bahamas.
- (3) A cruise ship which is on a passenger voyage shall not be permitted to enter a port in The Bahamas (including a private stop) unless —
 - (a) the captain or master of the cruise ship transmits a crew and passenger manifest to the medical officer of health, which discloses the vaccination status of all persons prior to arriving at the port as well as the percentage of persons onboard who are suffering from COVID 19;
 - (b) at least ninety five percent of the crew were fully vaccinated prior to embarking on the cruise ship at the start of the voyage;
 - (c) the Minister has approved the cruise lines health protocols and such protocols have been complied with.”.

Made this day of , 2022

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH