

General Customs of the Republic of Cuba

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- Official website of the Ministry of Health: <https://salud.msp.gob.cu/>
- Oficial Government website: <https://www.presidencia.gob.cu/>
- Official Cuban Customs website: <https://www.aduana.gob.cu/>
- Periódico Granma: <http://www.granma.cu/>
- Periódico Juventud Rebelde: <http://www.juventudrebelde.cu/>

Below are the measures adopted by the General Customs of the Republic of Cuba:

1. Guide our forces, means and systems available at the border based on the identification of passengers and crew with symptoms compatible with the disease under surveillance and inform the international health control authorities.
2. Ensure the timely updating and sending of advanced passenger information (API) to the sanitary control authorities (MINSAP, Phytosanitary and Veterinary), which includes the personalized list of passengers and crew from and in transit from countries under epidemiological surveillance.
3. Guarantee the training of customs officers at the border with the objective of increasing capacities to identify people with symptoms of infection and in the use of protection means and hygienic-sanitary measures.
The Closed Circuit Television System of the General Customs of the Republic is also used in the interest of controlling the correct use of the means of protection by Customs officers.
A module was deployed on the intranet of the General Customs of the Republic to post updated information from official sites and the institution's own on preventive measures, monitoring of new cases at the international level, among other information of interest for training and information on the personal.
4. Guarantee the protection of our forces, ensuring hygiene and disinfection measures, as well as the resources for it.
The protection means (gloves and face masks) have been completed, as well as disinfection means to all the customs units and the central body, maintaining daily control of stocks and days of coverage. In the last deliveries 1780 face masks and 12000 gloves were distributed, as well as 2500 liters of chlorine.
5. Facilitation measures are applied and aimed at the expedited processing of imports of merchandise that arrive as donations and other specific inputs intended to protect against COVID-19.

The 8 customs officers participating in the passenger evacuation operation of the Braemar cruise carried out at the "José Martí" International Airport in Havana, are isolated, asymptomatic and in good spirit on their sixth day of internment. Permanent contact is maintained by telephone with them.