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**REPLACEMENT OF PHYSICAL LANDING PASS WITH ELECTRONIC LANDING PASS FOR ARRIVING SEA CREW**

1. With effect from 30 Mar 2023, 0001hrs, the Immigration Checkpoint Authority (ICA) will cease the issuance of physical endorsement of Landing Pass to arriving sea crew, and be replaced with an electronic-Landing Pass.
2. For further details, please refer to ICA's circular dated 14 Mar 2023 in **ANNEX**. You may submit a general enquiry in FormSG via the link (<https://go.gov.sg/vesselandcrewmatters>) or the QR code below on matters relating to the electronic pass issued by ICA.



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### **Implementation of e-Landing Pass (e-LP) and e-Special Pass (e-SP) to Foreign Sea Crew seeking arrival clearance at the Checkpoints**

As part of ICA's efforts to provide a more secure and seamless immigration clearance, foreign visitors on visit passes have been issued with electronic visit passes (e-Pass) in lieu of inked endorsements on their passports.

In tandem with this move, ICA will introduce 2 new electronic Passes (e-Passes), namely e-LP and e-SP to be issued to the foreign sea crew in lieu of inked endorsements seeking immigration clearance at Singapore checkpoints starting from 30 Mar 2023 onwards.

With the e-Passes, foreign sea crew no longer have to worry about passports running out of empty pages as inked endorsements will not be given on the passports. Instead, e-Passes will be issued to foreign sea crew to the email address declared in the SG Arrival Card<sup>[1]</sup> (SGAC) after they have cleared immigration. The e-passes will contain details of the Landing Pass/Special Pass granted, including the maximum number of day(s) of stay and the last day of stay allowed in Singapore.

Foreign sea crew could retrieve their e-Passes information on ICA's e-Pass Enquiry Portal which could be assessed on the SGAC e-Service platform. Alternatively, they could also access the Portal by scanning on the barcode below.



## **Advisory to Foreign Sea Crew/ Shipping Agents/ Vessel Operators**

As a reminder, foreign sea crew entering Singapore have to obtain a valid Singapore visa (if applicable) before seeking entry into Singapore. They should submit their SGAC within three days prior to their arrival into Singapore. As the e-LP/e-SP will be sent to the email address indicated in the SGAC, foreign sea crew are to provide an accurate and valid email address in their SGAC submission. Shipping agents / vessel operators may provide a proxy email address on behalf of the foreign sea crew who do not have an email account. For e-Passes issued at the checkpoints from 30 Mar 2023, reminder emails would be sent 7 days prior to the expiry of the e-LP and 2 days prior to the expiry of the e-SP. Shipping agents/ vessel operators shall be responsible to monitor the validity of crews' e-LP/e-SP and to apply for extension, where necessary, via Maritime Port Authority's digitalPORT@SG before the pass expires. The new validity of the extended e-LP and e-SP can be viewed at the Enquiry Portal.

## **Transforming Immigration Clearance - Convenient and Secure**

The move to digitalise ICA's e-Passes is part of the ICA's New Clearance Concept (NCC) which aims to automate immigration clearance process for all travellers including foreign sea crew at Singapore's checkpoints. The NCC would be operationalised at our checkpoints progressively starting from Jan 2024.

<sup>[1]</sup> The SG Arrival Card facilitates the submission of personal information, trip details and health declaration by all travellers seeking entry into Singapore. It is not a visa, and submission via the official SG Arrival Card e-Service is free of charge.

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