

4.8 *Recommended Practice.* Public authorities should maintain at as many ports as feasible adequate facilities for the administration of public health, animal and agricultural quarantine measures.

4.9 *Recommended Practice.* There should be maintained readily available at as many ports in a State as feasible such medical facilities as may be reasonable and practicable for the emergency treatment of crews and passengers.

4.10 *Standard.* Except in the case of an emergency constituting a grave danger to public health, a ship which is not infected or suspected of being infected with a quarantinable disease, shall not on account of any other epidemic disease be prevented by the health authorities for a port from discharging for loading cargo or stores or taking on fuel or water.

4.11 *Recommended Practice.* Shipments of animals, animal raw materials, crude animal products, animal foodstuffs and quarantinable plant products should be permitted in specified circumstances when accompanied by a quarantine certificate in the form agreed by the States concerned.

## Section 5—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

### A. Bonds and other Forms of Security

5.1 *Recommended Practice.* Where public authorities require bonds or other forms of security from shipowners to cover liabilities under the customs, immigration, public health, agricultural quarantine or similar laws and regulations of a State, they should permit the use of a single comprehensive bond or other form of security wherever possible.

### B. Errors in Documentation and Penalties Therefor

5.2 *Standard.* Public authorities shall, without delaying the ship, allow corrections of errors in a document provided for in this Annex, which they are satisfied are inadvertent, not of a serious nature, not due to recurrent carelessness and not made with intent to violate laws or regulations, on the condition that these errors are discovered before the document is fully checked and the corrections can be effected without delay.

5.3 *Standard.* If errors are found in documents provided for in this Annex, signed by or on behalf of a shipowner or master, no penalties shall be imposed until an opportunity has been given to satisfy the public authorities that the errors were inadvertent, not of a serious nature, not due to recurrent carelessness and not made with intent to violate laws or regulations.

### C. Services at Ports

5.4 *Recommended Practice.* The normal services of public authorities at a port should be provided without charge during regular working hours.