COVID-19 Update for Gowrie Group Clients & Partners in the STATE of RHODE ISLAND (4/3/20)

Dear Valued Gowrie Group Clients & Partners in Rhode Island,

This communication is part of Gowrie’s ongoing commitment to proactively provide you with the most critical information you need, combined with providing you a direct link to our Gowrie COVID-19 Advisory Risk Center so that you have 24/7 access to our most up-to-date COVID-19 information and advisory messages at all times.

The Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak continues to be a rapidly evolving situation that presents health and business risks on a global level. Gowrie Group, along with our parent company Risk Strategies, is continuously monitoring developments worldwide, nationally, and at the state and local levels. Our teams of risk advisors are working diligently in order to help you assess contingency plans, understand coverages, and keep your workforce safe as the situation unfolds.

Below are two specific updates that pertain to the State of Rhode Island. Please review the below summary information and visit the direct links for more detailed information. We have also included links to additional COVID-19 resource pages to help you stay current and informed amid this highly dynamic situation. We encourage you to sign-up for RIMTA's Daily COVID-19 Advisory email by sending an email to RIMTA (Rhode Island Marine Trades Association) at info@rimta.org.

1. RI Operation Guidelines for Marinas & Yacht Clubs: The State of RI has issued official operation guidelines, created in coordination with the RI Department of Environmental Management (DEM), for marinas, yacht clubs, and harbormasters. Please keep in mind that these guidelines can be adapted at any time by the Governor / Department of Health. (dated 4/2/2020). Read the official Marina, Yacht Club & Harbormaster Operation Guidelines

2. Newport RI Quarantine Order: By order of the Governor of RI and the Newport Harbormaster, all vessels arriving from out of state are ordered to self-quarantine for a period of 14-days. All passengers and crew are required to register with the RI Department of Health. Any vessel subject to quarantine is required to fly the LIMA flag. (dated 3/31/2020). Read the official Newport Harbor Quarantine Order

3. Other Important RI and Marine COVID-19 related websites to monitor for updates:
   • State of RI Department of Health COVID-19 Website
   • RI State Parks & Beaches Closing on April 3rd
   • RIMTA's COVID Resource Page
   • RIMTA’s FAQ’s for Marine Businesses
   • Marina & Public Boat Ramps - Real Time Updates & Closures
   • Recreational Marine and Waterfront Governmental Orders

4. Other Important COVID-19 websites to monitor for updates and new information:
   • CARES ACT Summary for Small Businesses by US Chamber of Commerce
   • FAQs: Employee Retention Credit under the CARES Act
   • COVID-19: FAQs on Federal Labor and Employment Laws
   • Direct Link to each state’s DOT-GOV webpage
   • CDC – Centers for Disease Control & Protection
   • WHO – World Health Organization
   • Gowrie Group COVID-19 Advisory Risk Center

Connecting with the Gowrie Group Team: As always, the Gowrie Group team is available to answer your questions and discuss your concerns. You can contact your Gowrie Group account manager directly, or you can reach the Gowrie Group Team at 800.262.8911 or info@gowrie.com.

Thank you and be safe.

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