**Pre-departure Information for New Ocean Researcher 3 Cruise Participants**

**How to Reach the NOR3 Berth**

* Berth location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/J3xurKUwkMYKEBJFA>
* How to get there (YouTube video): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xC8JppL7kdc>
* The berth is located at the dock of Kaohsiung Marine Shipservice Corp. There is a gate at the dock entrance. If the gate is closed, please call the phone number on the gate to request assistance with opening it.
* Driving directions: Drive through the Kaohsiung Cross Harber Tunnel to reach the dock. Cars can be parked inside the dock area; please consult with the crew on where to park. (Note: The dock area is prone to heavy salty dust.)
* Motorbike directions: Take the ferry from Sizihwan (motorbikes are allowed on the ferry). Motorbikes can be parked inside the dock area.
* Public transportation:

1. Take the MRT to Hamasing Station, walk to the ferry station of Sizihwan, take the ferry to Cijin, then

→ take a taxi directly to the dock (though taxis may be hard to find), or

→ take Bus [Red 9A](http://www.gdbus.com.tw/route/bus_info/r9.htm) from "Cijin Ferry Pier" to "Cijin Hospital (Cingjing Temple)." After getting off the bus, it’s about a 10-minute walk to the dock.

1. Take the MRT to Caoya (KRTC) Station, then

→ take a taxi directly to the dock (there is a taxi stand outside the station), or

→ take Bus [Red 9A](http://www.gdbus.com.tw/route/bus_info/r9.htm) from "Ming Jheng Elementary School (MRT Caoya Station)" to "Windmill Park." After getting off the bus, it’s about a 15-minute walk to the dock.

1. Please ask the crew for taxi service contact information when leaving the ship.

**Pre-cruise Accommodation on NOR3**

* Boarding for overnight stay is accepted the day before the voyage; please check in before 10 PM. If cruise participants plan to stay on the ship two or more days in advance, please specify in the Cruise Application Form for better arrangement of bedding supplies.
* The bedding supplies include a pillowcase, bedsheet, and duvet cover; guests must arrange their own bed.
* When staying onboard, please use the assigned cabin according to the room allocation list for the voyage. Do not occupy any unassigned or unauthorized berths.
* Guests are responsible for their own meals during the stay.
* Personal food items that need refrigeration or freezing should be stored in the refrigerator in your cabin. Larger refrigerated or frozen items may be stored in the communal kitchen refrigerator with the chef's approval.
* Please refrain from making noise or causing disturbances after 10 PM.

**Meals during the Cruise**

* Breakfast is from 7:00-7:30 AM, lunch from 11:30 AM-12:00 PM, and dinner from 5:30-6:00 PM. No late-night snacks are provided.
* Please clean your own dishes and utensils after meals.
* Bring your own cup or water bottle for drinking water.
* Personal food items that need refrigeration or freezing should be stored in the refrigerator in your cabin. Larger refrigerated or frozen items may be stored in the communal kitchen refrigerator with the chef's approval.
* A microwave and oven are available in the dining area for use.
* After meals, please keep the tables and surrounding area clean. Please dispose food waste (e.g., fruit peels) in the compost bin, not in the trash bin.

**Personal Hygiene and Laundry During the Cruise**

* The ship provides personal bedding supplies, which include a pillowcase, bedsheet, and duvet cover; cruise participants must arrange their own beds. Before leaving the ship, please place the bedding in the large laundry bag located at the entrance of the dining area.
* Showers are communal. Shampoo, body wash, bath towels, and other toiletries are not provided.
* Toilet paper is provided in both the communal restrooms and the cabin.
* Washing machines and dryers are available for use all day. Laundry detergent is provided; please use it sparingly. Each laundry session is limited to 30 minutes to conserve fresh water. (Please follow the ship's guidelines for using the washing machines and dryers.)
* For cruises lasting more than 7 days, please bring extra clothing to reduce the frequency of laundry use, ensuring an adequate supply of fresh water for the whole cruise.

**Miscellaneous**

* When the vessel departs and returns to port, Coast Guard personnel will board the ship to check identification. Please ensure to bring your ID.
* The air conditioning in the electronic instrument room is quite strong, so it is recommended to bring a light jacket during summer cruises.
* Certain areas of the ship, such as the bridge and engine room, are marked as restricted. Do not enter these areas without permission from the ship's office or the captain.