

Ferry service hours rescheduled in line with MCO

THERE will be changes to the Penang ferry operating hours due to the latest movement control order.

Penang Port Commission (PPC) chairman Datuk Tan Teik Cheng said the Penang ferry services were rescheduled following the decision by the National Security Council to tighten the standard operating procedures in dealing with the Covid-19 situation.

“The ferry operating hours for both the fast boat ferry ride and the roll-on/roll-off (Ro-Ro) ferry for two-wheelers have been rescheduled.

“We have also limited the number of passengers to 50% of its initial capacity.

“Penang ferry service is an important mode of public transportation in Penang.

“However, in order to prevent the transmission of Covid-19

virus, PPC supports the measures taken by the government to reduce public movements and assemblies in order to minimise the risk of infection.

“We hope that Penang ferry service users can be patient and understand the difficult situation to ensure that the chain of Covid-19 infection can be broken,” he said in a statement yesterday.

The first fast boat ferry ride from the mainland to the island will be at 7am and the last ride will be at 7pm whereas the first fast boat ferry ride from the island to the mainland will be at 7.30 am and 7.30pm respectively.

The Ro-Ro ferry from mainland to the island will start at 7am and end at 7pm whereas the ferry service from the island to the island will begin at 7.30am and end at 7.30pm.



Fast boats carry foot passengers while Ro-Ro ferries transport two-wheelers across the channel between the island and Butterworth on the mainland. — Filepic