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## RPT-Japan says to measure radiation on ships leaving Tokyo Bay

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TOKYO, April 8 (Reuters) - Japan's transport ministry will start measuring the radiation levels of ships and containers leaving the Tokyo Bay area for foreign ports, it said on Friday, in a bid to alleviate concerns about contamination from a nuclear plant crippled by an earthquake.

The ministry aims to implement the measure soon, with certificates recording radiation levels issued to ship owners.

A ministry official said ships and containers with radiation readings exceeding a standard level will not be permitted to leave the ports of Tokyo, Kawasaki or Yokohama -- located 240 km (150 miles) south of Tokyo Electric Power Co's devastated Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant.

The transport ministry earlier started disclosing radiation levels in Tokyo Bay ports on its website, saying that levels were "very safe" as of Friday morning.

A ship owned by Mitsui O.S.K. Lines was last month denied entry to a Chinese port over radiation concerns. (Reporting by [Chikako Mogi](#); Editing by [Joseph Radford](#))

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