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## MARINE NOTICE 001/2023

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Attn.: VRS Authorized Surveyors, Shipowners, Ship operator, Managing Companies

Subject: PSC DETENTION(S) DECREASE POLICY.

### 1. Purpose.

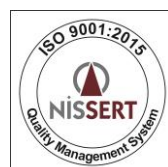
The purpose of present Marine Notice is to avoid re-occurrence of deficiencies, which have risk to be raised as detainable deficiency during next inspection and as a result decrease possibility of detention of VRS classed/certificated vessels. Present Marine Notice aiming to notify the Ship-Owner/Manager regarding most often raised deficiencies by PSC Officer(s) by different MOUs and decrease detention rate for 2023.

### 2. Introduction.

The total number of PSC inspections starting for the second half of 2022 have been increased in comparing with same period for 2021. Port State Control of PARISMOU Temporary guidance for its Member Authorities was drafted earlier, recognizing the need to apply flexibility under these special circumstances in a harmonized way.

Kindly find below most often detainable deficiencies raised by PSC of PARISMOU during the first half of 2022 year. Kindly find details of deficiency:

Code	Deficiencies in details	Regulation	Action to avoid re-occurrence
10117 10112	Echo sounder not as required; Electronic Charts.	SOLAS, Ch. V. Reg. 12 SOLAS, Ch. V. Reg. 27	Master should in due time inform Management in order to arrange approved Radio Technician to repair the Echo-sounder or updating software or backup arrangements for ECDIS. In case no possibility of repair, the Exemption should be granted by Flag State.
01322	LRIT Conformance Test - missing	SOLAS, Ch. V. Reg. 19-1	In case of delay of providing the LRIT Conformance Test, Management company should apply to Flag State for Attestation Letter for postponement of conformance test.
03104	Cargo and other hatchways – corroded.	Load Line 1966, reg. 14	To be maintained by crew member during voyages. If corrosion is deep Work shop should be invited on board for permanent repair works. Management company should follow Ship Maintenance Plan.
02119	Enhanced survey program (ESP) – documentation missing	SOLAS, CH. XI-1, Reg. 2-E.	The Management company shall apply to previous Owner for obtaining ESP or to Classification society for approved copy.



07114	Remote means of control (openings, pumps, ventilation etc.)	SOLAS, CH. II-2, REG. 14.1	Should be inspected by crew members and maintained as per SMS. The approved workshop should be invited on board.
10111	Charts not updated or missing	SOLAS, Ch. V, reg. 27	Should be corrected by OOW as per Notice to Mariners. DPA is responsible for arranging the missing chart or to provide on board Notice to Mariners.
07115	Fire dampers, funnel, fire frame thoroughly corroded	SOLAS, CH. II	To be maintained by crew member during voyages. If corrosion is deep Work shop should be invited on board for permanent repair works.
15150	ISM External audit to be carried out by Flag Administration	SOLAS, CH. IX. ISM Code, Reg. 12	After the additional ISM External audit performed by flag State representative, an Internal audit by DPA to be carried out within 3 months.

During 2022 year VRS Classed/certificated vessels most often raised deficiencies under the MEDMOU and BSMOU are listed below:

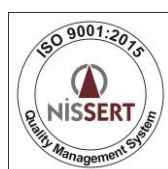
Code	Deficiencies in details	Regulation	Action to avoid re-occurrence
07117	M.E. double skin pipe system is out of order.	SOLAS 74, CH. I	Should be maintained by engine department on daily bases and referring to ISM. Should be ordered by management company immediately upon receipt requests from vessel.
13102	Steam boiler leak of water.	SOLAS 74, CH. I	Engine room arrangements, mechanisms, pumps, auxiliary engines etc. Should be maintained by engine department on daily bases and referring to ISM.
11101	Life boat engine not started.	SOLAS CH. III	Should be inspected by crew members and maintained as per SMS. The approved service company should be invited on board for repair in case of necessity.

The most of often raised category of deficiencies by Port State control are mentioned below:

- *Safety of Navigation;*
- *Lifesaving Appliances;*
- *Health protection/ Medical care / Social Security;*
- *Fire Safety;*
- *Certificates and documents.*

### 3. Action Requested.

When the vessel is entering in the port, she should be ready for PSC inspection at all time. The Master together with Chief Officer and Chief Engineer should complete PSC check List "On board maintenance check list" before arrival to the port. If some Items are not in compliance it should be indicted as NO in the Check List and the Corrective



Actions should be done accordingly by crew members in cooperation with Owners, Manager and in case of necessity with our Classification Society.

When Veritas Register of Shipping Ltd. surveyor is nominated for assistance to Ship's master for preparation of the vessel for PSC inspection, he/she should inspect the vessel as per Check list. If the Check list was not filled by the Master (due to some reasons), during attendance on board surveyor together with the crew should follow and complete check list accordingly. If during survey some items which are mentioned as YES in the check list, by surveyor's opinion is/are not satisfactory, check list should be corrected as NO and surveyor should issue Notice of Recommendation.

Properly filled Check List must be provided to Veritas Register of Shipping Ltd. Head Office upon completion.

Attachment - PSC Checklist "On Board Maintenance Check List"

Kindly be guided accordingly.  
Yours faithfully.

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Chief Executive Officer  
Veritas Register of Shipping Ltd.

