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## MARINE NOTICE 002/2023

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

Subject: PSC DETENTION(S) DECREASE POLICY.

### 1. Purpose.

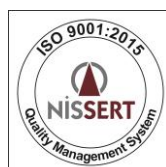
Starting from the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2023 our Company is rated at PARISMOU in Medium Performance Level with "Excess Factor" 0.51. The purpose of present Marine Notice is to keep the present score, which has been achieved by company, to minimize risk of raising of deficiencies, to avoid re-occurrence 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 first half of 2023 have been increased in comparing with same period for 2022. 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 2023 year. Kindly find details of deficiency:

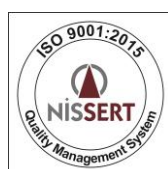
Code	Deficiencies in details	Regulation	Action to avoid re-occurrence
10113	Automatic Identification System (AIS)	SOLAS, Ch. V. Reg. 19.2.4	Master should in due time inform Management in order to arrange approved Radio Technician to test/repair the Radio-Navigational equipment. In case no possibility of repair, the Exemption should be granted by Flag State.
04102 04103	Emergency fire pump / lighting / batteries / switchers inoperative	SOLAS, Ch. II-2	Engineers have to test all emergency arrangements time to time/as per SMS/before entry in any port and in case of problems report to Ch. Eng. If impossible to repair by crew, immediately report to Management in order to repair it at nearest port.
11102 11110	Launching arrangements for survival crafts. Stowage and provisions of life rafts.	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.
10104	Lights, shapes, sound signals	COLREG	Should be inspected by crew members and maintained as per SMS. The approved Electrical company should be



			invited on board for repair in case of necessity.
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.
07104 07106	Fixed fire extinguishing installation; Fire detection and alarm system.	SOLAS, CH. II	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.
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.
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 2023 year VRS Classed/certificated vessels most often raised deficiencies under the MEDMOU and BSMOU, which became reason of detention of the vessels, are listed below:

Code	Deficiencies in details	Regulation	Action to avoid re-occurrence
10114	VDR / S-VDR not as required	SOLAS, CH. V, Reg. 20	Master should in due time inform Management in order to arrange approved Radio Technician to test/repair the Radio-Navigational equipment. In case no possibility of repair, the Exemption should be granted by Flag State.
13102	Auxiliary engines, leakage.	SOLAS 74, CH.II-I	Engine room arrangements, mechanisms, pumps, auxiliary engines etc. Should be maintained by engine department on daily bases and referring to ISM.
05106	INMARSAT – inoperative.	SOLAS, CH. IV	Master should in due time inform Management in order to arrange approved Radio Technician to test/repair the Radio-Navigational equipment. In case no possibility of repair, the Exemption should be granted by Flag State.



01107, 01122, 01139	Safety Management Certificate, Maritime Labour Certificate, Ship Security Certificate missing on board	ISM Code, Clause 11, documentation	The Master should review all Ship's documents and insure, that valid original documents / certificates are available on board. In case of missing of any certificate / documents the Management company should be informed and proper action to be implemented.
02131	Decks - constructions, accommodation plates holed / crane platform damaged.	SOLAS, CH. II-I	To be maintained by crew member during voyages. UTM should be performed and If corrosion is deep Work shop should be invited on board for permanent repair works.
01311	Oil Record Book – incorrect filling.	MARPOL, ANNEX I, REG. 17	The Chief Engineer should properly fill the Oil Record Book.

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

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

### 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.

