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MARINE NOTICE 001/2024

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

Subject: PSC DETENTION(S) DECREASE POLICY.

1. Purpose.

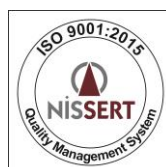
The purpose of present Marine Notice is to avoid re-occurrence of deficiencies, which have risk to be raised as detainable deficiency during next inspection and as a result decrease possibility of detention of VRS classed/certificated vessels and to maintain position at Medium Performance Level of PRISMOU. Present Marine Notice is aiming to notify the Ship-Owner/Manager regarding the most often raised deficiencies by PSC Officer(s) at different MOUs and decrease detention rate for 2024.

2. Introduction.

The total number of PSC inspections starting for the second half of 2023 have been increased in comparing with same period for 2022. Port State Control of different Memorandums of Understanding was conducting the Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on Fire Safety between 01.09.2023 - 30.11.2023 and all VRS vessel have been found in compliance to Fire Safety measures.

Kindly find below most often raised deficiencies by PSC of PARISMOU during the second half of 2023 year. Kindly find details of deficiency:

Code	Deficiencies in details	Regulation	Action to avoid re-occurrence
11131 11135	On board training instructions. Maintenance of life Saving appliances.	SOLAS CH. III	Should be inspected by crew members and maintained as per SMS. In case of necessity the approved service company should be invited on board for proper repair and maintenance.
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.
14501	Garbage Shipboard Handling	MARPOL, ANNEX V	The Garbage Handling should be conducted as prescribed at approved Garbage Management Plan. The Master should control compliance. The DPA should request the compliance and proper Records keeping
01218	Medical Certificate (Crew)	MLC 2006	The Crew documents should be reviewed by Master for validity, time to time, as prescribed at SMS. The DPA shall review the crew documents and notify Ship Owner as appropriate for necessary arrangements.
07105	Fire doors/openings in fire resisting divisions;	SOLAS, CH. II	Should be inspected by crew members and maintained as per SMS. The approved service company



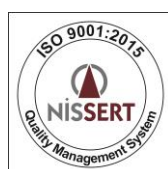
			should be invited on board for repair in case of necessity.
10105 10111 10127 10129	Safety of Navigation: Magnetic compass; Charts not updated; Voyage passage plan; Log Book entries.	SOLAS, Ch. V	Should be properly done by deck Department. The additional training should be carried out during Committee Meeting. The Company DPA is responsible for proper Record keeping and control.
07125	Evaluation of crew performance (Fire Drill)	SOLAS, CH. II	The proper training/drills should be performed by ship Master, as per Schedule of drills. During attending vessel by DPA the additional training and exercises should be conducted.
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.
18000	Labor conditions on board (several deficiencies under different Codes raised)	MLC 2006	The Master should inspect the Labor conditions on board of the vessel. In case of necessity the proper supply should be ordered for the vessel.

During 2023 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
02103	Stability/ Strength/ loading information and instruments.	SOLAS, CH. II-1	The proper stability calculation should be carried out by Ch. Officer and confirmed by Master for intended voyage.
10116	Nautical Publication	SOLAS, Ch. V	The list of updated NP should be reviewed by DPA time to time, as prescribed at SMS. In case of necessity the Last edition of NP should be delivered on board.
05110	Facilities for reception of Marine Safety information's – MF DSC not possible to read.	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.
02105	Steering Gear – Communication between steering gear room and bridge not available.	SOLAS, CH. II-1	Should be tested 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 during 2023 are mentioned below:

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



3. Action Requested.

When the vessel is entering the port, she should be ready for PSC inspection at all times. The Master together with Chief Officer and Chief Engineer should complete PSC check List "On board maintenance check list" before arrival at 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 vessel is in PRIORITY I of PSC inspection, the Veritas Register of Shipping Ltd. surveyor is nominated for assistance to Ship's master for preparation of the vessel for PSC inspection. Surveyor should inspect the vessel as per Check list. If the Check list was not filled by the Master, 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. The Corrective Actions should be conducted in due time.

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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