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MARINE NOTICE 003/2025

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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 2025.

2. Introduction.

The total number of PSC inspections starting for the second half of 2025 have been increased in comparing with same period for 2024 and the number of detention increased as well. Notwithstanding to Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on Crew Wages and Seafarer Employment Agreements (MLC, 2006) between the period 01.09.2024 – 30.11.2024, nonpayment of Wages for the period January 2025 – June 2025 become the reason of detention of vessels.

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

- *Safety of Navigation;*
- *Fire Safety;*
- *Lifesaving appliances;*
- *Health protection/ Medical care / Social Security;*
- *Certificates and documents;*
- *Accommodation / recreational facilities / food and catering.*

Kindly find below most often raised deficiencies by PSC of PARISMOU during the first half of 2025 year. Kindly find details of deficiency:

Code	Deficiencies in details	Regulation	Action to avoid re-occurrence
18000	Labor conditions on board – non satisfactory hygienic condition on board, cleanness of E.R etc.	MLC 2006	The Master should inspect the Labor conditions on board of the vessel.
18203	Wages – non-payment	MLC 2006, Title 2	Ship-owner shall cover the wages as mentioned at SEA signed between Ship-Owner and seafarer.
01214	Crew Endorsements and other crew documents	STCW Convention & Code	The Master shall check the validity of the crew endorsements and other documents time to time. In case of expiration of Certificate of Endorsement, the management company should be informed in order to make proper arrangements from the Flag State.
04109	Evaluation of crew performance (Fire Drill).	SOLAS, CH. II SOLAS, MARPOL	The proper training/drills should be performed by ship Master, as per schedule of drills. During



	Other drills required by ISM Code.		attending vessel by DPA, the additional training and exercises should be carried out.
07000	Fire-fighting equipment and arrangements	SOLAS, CH. II-2	Fire-fighting equipment and arrangements should be inspected by crew members and maintained as per SMS. The approved service company should be invited on board for maintenance, testing and repair in case of necessity.
10116	Nautical Publications & Charts – not updated	SOLAS, Ch. V	The Master shall inform the management company in order to deliver the all necessary publication on board of the vessel. The Company DPA is responsible for proper arrangements of delivery of updated publications on board.
14503	Garbage Management Plan – not updated, or Garbage Record Book not properly filled.	MARPOL, ANNEX V	The Garbage quantity / location should be properly recorder at GRB. The stowage facility on board should be enough capacity and properly marked. The garbage should be discharged ashore in due time.
02105	Steering gear – audible alarms inoperative.	SOLAS, CH. II-1	Visual and audible alarms between steering gear room and navigation bridge should be tested by crew members as per schedule and maintained as per SMS. The approved service company should be invited on board for maintenance, testing and repair in case of necessity.
18417	Anchoring devices – missing.	MLC 2006	In case of missing the anchor, Master shall immediately inform the Port authority, ship-owner, Flag and Class/RO. The accident report should be prepared. The proper arrangements to be implemented for ship safety.
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.
03104	Cargo and other hatchways damaged.	LOAD LINES	Crew on monthly bases should perform the proper maintenance of hatchways and its arrangements. The Company shall invite workshop on board for repair (steel works).
02107	Ballast and fuel tanks – cracked, holed.	SOLAS, CH. II-1	The Ballast and fuel tanks should be inspected by crew as per time scheduled mentioned at SMS. In case of necessary the UTM should be conducted. The steel works should be carried out by workshop.

During 2025, the detention rate at Turkish ports has been increased. During each PSC the inspection of all ballast tanks became mandatory issue. The 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. fuel oil double skin pipes – not properly maintained, damaged, disconnected.	SOLAS, CH. II	The proper maintenance of M.E. and its equipment's should be performed by Engineering Department. In case of necessity the spare parts should be arranged by the Company and workshop invited on board for repair / testing / maintenance.



10114	Voyage Data Recorder (VDR) - inoperative	SOLAS CH. V	VDR should be inspected by Master and in case of any ERROR/ ALARM should inform the Company. The approved VDR company should be invited on board for repair / testing / programing. The company shall apply to Flag/RO for attestation letter in case the no availability of spare parts or the Approved company at present port.
06105	Gas detector not working properly.	SOLAS, CH XI.	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.
01315-20	Garbage Record Book, Oil record book, Ballast water Record book – not properly filled.	MARPOL, BWMC	Master and chief engineer shall properly fill the record books. The company shall check the entries in record books on monthly bases.
14806	Crew not familiar with use of ballast water treatment system	BWMC, B-6	Management company should carry out the crew familiarization.

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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