

Merchant Shipping Directorate Transport Malta

CONCENTRATED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN ON EMERGENCY SYSTEMS AND **PROCEDURES**

Merchant Shipping Notice 152

Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators, Managers, Masters, Owners' Representatives and Recognised Organisations

The Directorate would like to draw the attention of all concerned to a port State control Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) that will be launched jointly by the Paris MoU and the Tokyo MoU on Emergency Systems and Procedures. The Campaign will commence on 1 September 2019 and end on 30 November 2019.

The joint CIC is intended to ensure that ships are capable of responding appropriately and promptly to emergency situations in order to preserve human lives, protect the marine environment and minimise damages to ships. It also intends to raise awareness of the importance of such emergency systems to all responsible stakeholders.

Port State Control Officers will use a questionnaire consisting of 11 questions to assess that equipment provided onboard complies with the relevant convention, the master and officers are qualified and familiar with operations relating to shipboard emergency systems and that equipment is properly maintained and functioning.

It is the responsibility of all concerned to ensure that the Master and crew are well familiarized with such systems as emergency power sources, steering gears, fire pumps, etc. and that such equipment is in order at all times. A copy of the questionnaire is available at the following link:

https://www.parismou.org/sites/default/files/Questionnaire%202019%20CIC%20on%20Emerg ency%20Systems%20and%20Procedures.pdf

Should deficiencies be noted by Port State Control Officers, actions may vary from recording a deficiency to be rectified within a certain period of time to detaining the ship until the serious deficiency has been rectified.

The cooperation of all parties concerned is hereby solicited.

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