



CIRCULAR MCO – 006-2024

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FROM | MCO HEAD OFFICE – TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT
TO | SURVEYORS/ MANAGERS/ OWNERS/ OPERATORS
SUBJECT | PSC Concentrated Campaigns

Dear all,

By this means we would like to draw your attention to the scheduled Concentrated Inspection Campaigns and Focused Inspection Campaigns by the Paris MoU on Crew wages and SEAs under MLC and Fire doors. Both campaigns will run until November 30th, 2024.

Each year, PSC regimes identify a specific focus area to be checked during regular inspections. For the current year, the Paris and Tokyo MoUs agreed to run a CIC on the topic of crew wages and Seafarer Employment Agreements under MLC. It is expected that the financial security requirements under the 2014 amendments to the MLC are also covered by this CIC.

The CIC focused on wages and seafarers' employment agreements under MLC prioritizes seafarers' basic rights onboard. Such campaign is aimed at adequate seafarers' employment agreements, payment of wages in compliance with employment contracts and adequate financial security consisting on repatriation in case of death or long-term disability by seafarer among others.

Besides Paris MoU, other MoU's have confirmed their participation in this years CIC.

Also, the Paris MoU have launched a Focused Inspection Campaign on the adequate maintenance of fire doors onboard vessels. The scope of such FIC is as follows:


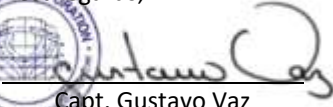
- Verifying that fire door control panel indicators, if provided, are functional;
- Testing a sample of fire doors for local and remotely controlled operation;
- Checking if self-closing fire doors are improperly lashed in the open position;
- Checking that doors close and latch properly;
- Checking that doors fitted in boundary bulkheads of machinery spaces of Category A are reasonably gastight and self-closing;
- Checking that fire doors have the appropriate fire resistance for the bulkhead in which they are fitted.

Focused Inspection Campaigns are short, targeted inspection efforts. This approach or campaigns, mirror that of AMSA, which conducts similar campaigns on specific topics and ship types. The Focused Inspection Campaigns serve as an alternative to the traditional Concentrated Inspection Campaigns by several MoU's

Ship Owners, Managers, Surveyors shall take note on both CIC and FIC and ensure that vessel and its crew members trading within the Paris MoU area are aware of the Campaigns, and special attention is paid to ensuring that Fire Doors are properly maintained as well as proper compliance with MLC concerning wages and SEA's.

Should you require any further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best regards,



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