

Merchant Marine Notice MMN-23-002

To: DEPUTY REGISTRARS, SHIP OWNERS/ISM OPERATORS, RECOGNIZED

ORGANIZATIONS, SHIPPING AGENTS, GENERAL SAFETY INSPECTORS

Reference: Joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on Fire Safety from

01 September to 30 November 2023

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REFERENCE

Tokyo and Paris MOU's CIC on Fire Safety (Attached press releases and CIC questionnaire).

PURPOSE

The International Merchant Marine Registry of Belize (IMMARBE) with the aim to avoid detentions during the Joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) by Tokyo and Paris MOUs requires all addressed parties to ensure that ship's procedure and measures are in place with respect to Fire Safety.

CONTENT

The Joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign will be held by Tokyo and Paris MOUs for three months, commencing from 01 September 2023 to 30 November 2023.

The Port State Control Offices (PSCOs) will use a list of ten (10) selected questions developed by the Tokyo and Paris MOUs to assess that fire-fighting systems and equipment comply with the relevant requirements, that the master and crew members are familiar with operations relating to fire safety, and that equipment is properly maintained and functioning.

When deficiencies are found, actions by the Port State may vary from recording a deficiency and instructing the master to rectify it within a certain period of time to detaining the ship until the serious deficiencies have been rectified. In the case of detention, publication in the monthly detention lists of the Tokyo and Paris MOUs web sites will take place.

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Action Required from Owners/ISM Operators/Flag Inspectors/ Recognized Organizations during the Concentrated Inspection Campaign for Vessels trading in Tokyo and Paris MOUs.

- 1. For all Vessels currently trading within the Tokyo and Paris MOUs, ISM operators need to contact the Master in order to complete the attached questionnaire to be used by PSCOs. The completed questionnaire needs to be submitted by ISM operators to our Flag Administration not later than 31 August 2023. Owners/Operators will submit the attached questionnaire duly signed/stamp by Master to IMMARBE's Technical Department (technicalservies@immarbe.com).
- **2.** Annual Flag Inspections to be carried out by General Safety Inspectors from **1 August 2023**. The CIC questionnaire will be carried out in conjunction with the Master in order to ensure that ship condition and crew onboard comply with the questions to be asked by PSCOs. The General Safety Inspector must ensure that Flag Administration is informed immediately of any deficiency found in relation to the CIC questionnaire.
- **3.** Recognized Organizations that will carry out any statutory surveys from **1 August 2023**, the CIC questionnaire will be carried out in conjunction with the applicable surveys on all Belize Vessels. Recognized Organizations must ensure that Flag Administration is informed immediately of any deficiency found in relation to the CIC questionnaire. Recognized Organization will submit upon completion of the statutory survey the CIC questionnaire duly signed/stamp by Master to IMMARBE's Technical Department (technicalservices@immarbe.com).

The above actions will remain in force during the three months of the inspection Campaign on Fire Safety.

Looking forward to your cooperation and assistance.

The Notice was issued in Belize city, Belize 2 August 2023

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