

# Palau International Ship Registry



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## MARINE CIRCULAR 145.2

**To: ALL SHIPOWNERS, MANAGERS, MASTERS, AND REGISTRATION OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS.**

**Subject: FUEL OIL CONSUMPTION DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING**

### 1. REFERENCES

- 1.1 Resolution MEPC.278(70) Amendments to MARPOL Annex VI (Data Collection system for fuel oil consumption of ships)
- 1.2 Resolution MEPC.282(70) 2016 Guidelines of the development of a ship energy efficiency management plan (SEEMP)
- 1.3 MEPC.1/Circ.876 Sample format for the Confirmation of Compliance, early submission of the SEEMP Part II on the ship fuel oil consumption data collection plan and its timely verification pursuant to regulation 5.4.5 of MARPOL Annex VI
- 1.4 Resolution MEPC. 292(71) 2017 Guidelines for Administration Verification of Ship Fuel Oil Consumption Data

### 2. PURPOSE

- 2.1 This Marine Circular provides information and guidance to Shipowners and Managers operating Palau registered vessels, regarding the IMO Data Collection System for Fuel Oil Consumption (DSC) in accordance to Regulation 22A of MARPOL Annex VI as amended.

### 3. APPLICATION

- 3.1 This Marine Circular applies to all Palau registered vessels of 5000 gross tonnage and above except for:
  - Vessels not propelled by mechanical means,
  - Platforms including Floating Production, storage and Offloading Facilities (FPSOs), Floating Storage Units (FSUs), and Drilling rigs regardless of their propulsion.
- 3.2 The provisions of this Circular may be voluntarily adopted for ships of less than 5000 GRT.



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3.3 Fuel consumption data collection is mandatory for the ships referred to in paragraph 2.1 from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2019.

## 4. BACKGROUND

4.1 From January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, all ships to which this Marine Circular applies shall comply with Regulation 22A of MARPOL Annex VI. This requires the compilation and reporting of fuel consumption, hours of operation and distance travelled for each calendar year.

## 5. SHIP OWNERS AND OPERATORS

5.1 Following the end of each calendar year, but not later than March 31<sup>st</sup> of the subsequent year, the Owners/Managers shall submit a report of fuel consumption data covering the previous year to the Recognized Organization of the ship, or to the duly authorized by the Administrator Verifier. The first fuel consumption data report shall therefore be submitted not later than March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

5.2 The report shall include the aggregated value for each datum specified in appendix IX of Annex VI, via electronic communication using the format specified in appendix 3 of Resolution MEPC.282(70).

## 6. FUEL CONSUMPTION

6.1 Palau Ship Registry Administrator has authorized specific Recognized Organizations and Independent Verifiers to collect and verify fuel consumption data from Palauan ships, and to report to IMO in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 22A of MARPOL Annex VI.

6.2 Any documents used as a source of information for gathering of fuel consumption data shall be retained on board for not less than 12 months after the end of the respective calendar year. Such document shall be made available to the Palau Ship Registry Administrator upon request.

6.3 Updated list of authorized Recognized Organizations and verifiers can be provided by contacting Palau International Ship Registry HO.



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## 7. DATA REPORTING AND VERIFICATION

- 7.1 Within three (3) months after the end of each calendar year, aggregated values for each data specified in Appendix IX to MARPOL Annex VI must be reported to the Recognized Organization or verifiers, electronically, following the reporting process specified in Part II of the SEEMP.
- 7.2 All data reported as per section 7.1 shall be verified by the Recognized Organization or verifiers as required by Regulation 22A.7, taking into account IMO Resolution MEPC.292(71), 2017 "Guidelines for Administration verification of ship fuel oil consumption data".
- 7.3 The verification of data reported in accordance with section 7.1 and 7.2, shall be completed no later than five (5) months after the end of the previous calendar year.
- 7.4 A Statement of Compliance (SOC), corresponding to the form provided under Appendix X of MARPOL Annex VI, must be issued after successful completion of the relevant verification of the data.
- 7.5 The Statement of Compliance shall be valid for the calendar year in which it is issued and for the first 5 months of the following calendar year.

## 8. RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS AUTHORIZED BY THE PALAU SHIP REGISTRY ADMINISTRATOR

- 8.1 Recognized Organizations already authorized by the Palau Ship Registry Administrator shall provide the following services to Palauan flagged vessels:
- 8.1.1 Confirm that every vessel of 5000 gross tonnage and above keeps on board a Ship Energy Efficiency Plan as required by Regulation 22A of Annex VI of MARPOL 73/78.
- 8.1.2 Confirm compliance of the vessel with the Ship Energy Efficiency Plan as mentioned in 8.1.1.
- 8.1.3 Issue a "Confirmation of Compliance" for the ship's SEEMP Part II. This "Confirmation of Compliance" must be retained on board the ship.
- 8.1.4 Verify and determine if the data reported by ships of 5,000 gross tonnage and above has been collected and complies with Regulation 22A of Annex VI of MARPOL 73/78.



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8.1.5 Issue a "Statement of Compliance" in accordance with Regulation 6.6 and 6.7 of Annex VI of MARPOL 73/78.

8.1.6 Submit to the International Maritime Organization the reported data noted in appendix IX, Annex VI, of MARPOL 73/78, using the IMO Ship Fuel Oil Consumption Database.

8.2 All Recognized Organizations that receive the data collected by Palauan flagged ships of 5000 GRT or more must submit a consolidated report of this data to the Palau Ship Registry Administrator no later than five (5) months after the end of the previous calendar year.

## 9. INDEPENDENT COMPANIES AUTHORIZED BY THE PALAU SHIP REGISTRY ADMINISTRATOR

9.1 Independent companies authorized by the Palau Ship Registry Administrator, shall provide the following services to Palauan flagged vessels:

9.1.1 Confirm that every vessel of 5000 gross tonnage and above keeps on board a Ship Energy Efficiency Plan as required by Regulation 22A of Annex VI of MARPOL 73/78.

9.1.2 Send a notification to the Palau Ship Registry Administrator stating the compliance of the vessel with the Ship Energy Efficiency Plan as mentioned in 9.1.1.

9.1.3 After receiving this notification, the Palau Ship Registry Administrator will issue a "Confirmation of Compliance".

9.1.4 Verify and determine if the data reported by ships of 5,000 gross tonnage and above has been in accordance with Regulation 22A of Annex VI of MARPOL 73/78.

9.1.5 Issue a recommendation to the Palau Ship Registry Administrator indicating if the ship can be issued with a "Statement of Compliance" by the Palau Ship Registry Administrator.

9.1.6 Submit to the Palau Ship Registry Administrator a consolidated report of the data collected regarding fuel oil consumption of ships of 5000 gross tonnage and above.

9.2 After receiving the recommendation specified in paragraph 9.1.5, the Palau Ship Registry Administrator will proceed with the issuance of a "Statement of



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Compliance” in accordance with Regulation 6.6 and 6.7 of Annex VI of MARPOL 73/78.

9.3 All Independent Companies that receive the data collected by Palauan flagged ships of 5000 GRT or more must submit a consolidated report of this data to the Palau Ship Registry Administrator no later than five (5) months after the end of the previous calendar year.

## 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: SHIP FUEL OIL CONSUMPTION DATA COLLECTION PLAN (SEEMP PART II)

10.1 All ships of 400 GRT and above must keep on board an amended ship-specific SEEMP which can be part of the ship’s Safety Management System (SMS) or a stand-alone document and should be developed taking into account the guidance contained in IMO Resolution MEPC.282(70).

10.2 For all ships of 5000 GRT and above to which Regulation 22A applies are to include, as Part II of the SEEMP, a description of the ship-specific methodology that will be used to collect the data required by Regulation 22A.1, and the process that will be used to report the data to the Administrator, considering the guidance contained in IMO Resolution MEPC.282 (70).

10.3 Amended SEEMP should be provided no later than by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 in order to be verified by the Recognized Organization or by the authorized verifier, prior to reporting of the fuel consumption data for the issuance of SEEMP PART II Confirmation of Compliance by Palau Ship Registry Administrator.

10.4 The SEEMP Part II Confirmation of Compliance is to be retained on board the ship unless the IEEC becomes invalid or where a major conversion affects the data collection methodology or reporting processes, necessitating revision of the SEEMP Part II.

## 11. CHANGE OF FLAG AND/OR OWNERS/MANAGERS

11.1 In the event of a transfer of Flag, the ship, on the day of the completion of the transfer, or as close as possible, shall report to the losing Flag Administration through its Recognized Organization or Independent Verifier the aggregated data for the period of the calendar year corresponding to that Flag Administration, as specified in Appendix IX of Annex VI and, upon prior request of the new Flag Administration, the disaggregated data.



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11.2 In the event of a change of owners/managers, the ship, on the day of completion of the change or as close as possible, shall report to the Palau Ship Registry Administrator through its Recognized Organization or authorized verifier, the aggregate data for the period of the calendar year corresponding to the existing managers/owners, as specified in Appendix IX of Annex VI and, upon prior request of PISR, the disaggregated data.

11.3 Furthermore in the event of transfer of Flag and owners/managers concurrently, the ship, on the day of the completion of the transfer, or as close as possible, shall report to the losing Flag Administration through its Recognized Organization or Independent Verifier, the aggregated data for the period of the calendar year corresponding to that Flag Administration, as specified in Appendix IX of Annex VI and, upon prior request of the new Flag Administration, the disaggregated data.

## 12. FEES

12.1 The Palau Ship Registry Administrator will charge 280.00 for the issuance of the SEEMP Part II COC and the SOC for the Data reporting and verification.

## 13. CONTACT

For further information please contact Palau Ship Registry Administrator at [technical@palaureg.com](mailto:technical@palaureg.com)

**\*This Marine Circular supersedes the Marine Circular 145.1\***

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