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IRI 关于证书中船舶编号或呼号的填写要求

Requirements for Filling the Entry of Distinctive Number or Letter in Certificates and Documents of Compliance

Technical Circular 04 Rev.2

马绍尔群岛海事主管机关IRI发布技术通函,对船级社签发证书及符合证明(C/DOC)做出了进一步的要求。本社验船师/审核员在工作中应严格执行这些要求。

Marshall Islands Administration (IRI) provides further requirements for issuance of certificates and documents of compliance (C/DOC) by recognized organizations by issuing Technical Circular 04. CCS Surveyors and Auditors are to implement these requirements accordingly.

为避免各个C/DOC中的船舶编号或呼号不一致,仅可使用马绍尔群岛Official Number作为C/DOC中的船舶编号或呼号。

To avoid different numbers input into each C/DOC on the entry of Distinctive Number or Letter, only the Marshall Islands Official Number shall be entered as the Distinctive Number or Letter on a C/DOC.

主管机关技术通函中有关C/DOC的提交、免除证书的签发等要求已经存在于验船师须知相应章节,请遵照执行。

The requirements such as submission of C/DOC, issuance of exemption certificates have been available in CCS Instructions to Surveyors and should be followed accordingly.

特此通知。

Hereby notify the above.

附件Appendix: Technical Circular 4 rev.2

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Issuance of Certificates and Documents of Compliance by Recognized Organizations

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Recognized Organizations are authorized to survey Marshall Islands flag vessels for compliance with various national and international requirements and to issue the relevant certificate/document of compliance (C/DOC). The agreements between the Recognized Organizations and the Republic of the Marshall Islands Maritime Administrator (the "Administrator") specify the details regarding the surveys to be conducted and the C/DOC to be issued. This Technical Circular supplements the information contained in the agreements.

2.0 File Copy of C/DOC

2.1 In the past, the Administrator was provided with three copies of each C/DOC when it was initially issued. It was not necessary to provide the Administrator with a copy of a reissued C/DOC if the information contained therein did not change.

2.2 The Administrator now recognizes the need to retain a copy of each C/DOC that is presently aboard a vessel, even if there has been no change in the information from the previously issued C/DOC. Recognized Organizations that continue to provide a hard copy version of the C/DOC need only submit a single copy. The Administrator will accept electronic versions of the C/DOC; provided, the electronic file produces an exact replica of the C/DOC format for printing and insertion in the vessel file. If the Administrator must access the database of a Recognized Organization in order to obtain an electronic C/DOC, the Recognized Organization must notify the Administrator when a C/DOC is issued or reissued. The hard copy or electronic C/DOC, and any notification that a C/DOC has been issued or reissued, should be addressed to the attention of Technical at the street address, telefax number, or email address noted above.

3.0 Distinctive Number or Letters

3.1 A C/DOC normally contains an entry for Distinctive Number or Letters. Port State Control difficulties have been encountered when this entry has not been the same on each C/DOC, including the Certificate of Registry, and also on other shipboard documentation such as the Radio Station License. For this reason, only the Marshall Islands Official Number shall be entered as the Distinctive Number or Letter on a C/DOC.

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4.0 Exemption Certificates

- 4.1 In the past, Recognized Organizations were authorized to issue only an interim Exemption Certificate for use in conjunction with a specific interim C/DOC. The full term Exemption Certificate was issued by the Administrator. This process was burdensome in that it required a Recognized Organization to notify the Administration of the expiry date that was, or would be, used on the full term C/DOC. A breakdown of this communication often resulted in the failure of the Administrator to issue a full term Exemption Certificate.
- 4.2 In accordance with the previous authorization, Recognized Organizations will continue to issue any required interim Exemption Certificate for use with an interim C/DOC. This authorization is now being extended to include Recognized Organization issuance of full term Exemption Certificates. The full term Exemption Certificate must be included in the package with the associated full term C/DOC, when issued. Since an interim or full term Exemption Certificate falls into the category of C/DOC, a copy must be provided to the Administrator as noted in Paragraph 2.2 above.
- 4.3 Except as noted in Paragraph 4.4 below, the Administrator must evaluate each request for an exemption and authorize the issuance of the initial Exemption Certificate. A Recognized Organization can reissue an Exemption Certificate during a Renewal Survey after verifying that the conditions for their issuance are still satisfied.
- 4.4 The SOLAS Convention contains provisions for exempting:
- .1 certain tankships of less than 40,000 deadweight tons from the requirement to be fitted with an Inert Gas System (IGS);
 - .2 vessels other than bulk carriers, as defined in SOLAS Regulation IX/1, that are constantly engaged on voyages in warm climates* from the requirement to carry immersion suits and/or TPAs; and
 - .3 vessels that carry only ore, coal, grain, unseasoned lumber, non-combustible cargoes, or low fire risk cargoes, such as those mentioned in MSC.1/Circ.1395, from the requirement to be fitted with a cargo hold fixed fire extinguishing system.

In each instance, the qualifying factors for granting the exemption are clearly specified in the applicable SOLAS regulation. The initial Exemption Certificates corresponding to these exemptions may be issued by a Recognized Organization, without Administrator approval, after verifying that the specified qualifying factors have been satisfied.

* Note: For purposes of the exemption noted in Paragraph 4.4.2 above, the Administration considers "voyages in warm climates" to be those within the zone between 30 degrees North latitude and 30 degrees South latitude.