

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

CIRCULAR N° PSC 025

CONCENTRATED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN (CIC) ON SAFETY OF NAVIGATION, SOLAS CHAPTER V

TO: SHIPOWNERS & SHIPS' OPERATORS & MANAGERS SURVEYORS TO FLAG STATE ADMINISTRATION CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES

APPLICABLE TO:ALL SHIPS SUBJECT TO PORT STATE CONTROL'S
INSPECTIONSENTRY INTO FORCE:Date of this Circular

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Paris MoU is launching a new Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) based on Safety of Navigation, SOLAS Chapter V.

The purpose of this CIC is to ensure that ships comply with the requirements for new equipments such as AIS, VDR as well as to ensure that the Master and Watch Keeping Officers are familiar with these equipments.

Consequently, as from 1st September 2008, all SVG flagged vessels may be subject to an additional check by PSC.

In order to assist ship's staff for this CIC, a check list to help Masters, Designated Persons Ashore and crew has been prepared (see Annex) to prevent the vessels from being delayed or detained by Port State Control Officer(s).

The ships must comply with all applicable International Conventions at all times.

SAFETY CHECKS REGARDING SAFETY OF NAVIGATION SOLAS CH V

	ITEM	YES	NO	N/A
1	Does the ship comply with the actual provisions as specified on the relevant Record of Equipment form for navigational equipment?			
2	Is navigational equipment in operational condition?			
3	Can the master and watch keeping officers demonstrate familiarization of navigating equipment?			
4	Are arrangements in place to ensure performance of the equipment?			
5	Are there adequate and up-to-date nautical charts and publications, necessary for the voyage?			
6	Where Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) is the primary means in lieu of paper charts is there a suitable back-up arrangement?			
7	Is there a record of navigational activities and incidents?			
8	Is there evidence of voyage planning?			
9	Is a valid certificate of compliance (annual testing) of the VDR/S-VDR on board?			
10	Can the master and watch keeping officers demonstrate inputting voyage related information in the AIS?			
11	Is cargo on deck loaded so as not to obstruct the horizontal view of the sea surface forward of the beam?			
12	Can the master and watch keeping officers concerned with the operation of the steering gear able to demonstrate the change over procedures and operation of steering systems?			