



Technical Circular

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To whomsoever it may concern

Subject: Maritime Cook Islands – Magnetic Compasses – Deviation Table.

- Maritime Administration of Cook Islands has issued Circular No. 176/2018, dated 1st June 2018 (copy attached) providing Administration's requirements with respect to Magnetic Compass Adjustment and preparation of Deviation Table.
- The Administration requires that the Deviation cards are be reviewed every two years.
- In addition, magnetic compasses are to be adjusted when:
 - They are first installed;
 - They become unreliable;
 - The ship undergoes structural repairs or alterations that could affect its permanent and induced magnetism;
 - Electrical or magnetic equipment close to the compass is added, removed or altered; or
 - The recorded deviations are excessive out of "acceptable tolerance" (+/- 5⁰) or when the compass shows physical defects.
- The adjustments of the magnetic compass is to be carried out **only** by certified magnetic compass adjusters and cannot be carried out by Cook Islands Flag surveyors.
- Owners/ operators and masters of Cook Islands flagged vessels are advised to be guided by above.

Enclosure:

1. Maritime Cook Islands Circular No. 176/2018



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