



Technical Circular

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To Whomsoever it may concern

Subject: Procedures for Maritime Labour convention certification.

- St.Vincent and the Grenadines (SVG), maritime administration has issued circular no. MLC 002-rev 5 promulgating regulations to give effect to the MLC 2006 certification, these regulations are effective from 18th January, 2017.

- Inspection and Certification

The working and living conditions of seafarers that must be inspected to include in addition to the fourteen (14) items, the following.

- Financial security for repatriation; and
- Financial security relating to ship owner's liability

- Accommodations and On-board Recreational Facilities (Existing Ships)

- Existing ships are defined as ships whose keel laying dates are before 20th August 2013.
- Inspectors conducting initial inspection of SVG ships will issue complete SVG checklist for accommodation of existing ships, if not already available onboard. This document should be retained on-board as long as the ship remains registered with SVG.
- Procedure for Shipowners/Managers to obtain Interim ML Certificate, Full Term ML Certificate, Endorsement for Intermediate Inspection and Renewal of ML Certificate will be the same as previously being followed.

- Financial Security

The 2014 amendments to the Maritime Labour Convention 2006 will be effective as from 18th January 2017. After this date, ships that are subject to the MLC will be required to display certificates issued by an insurer or other financial security provider confirming that insurance or other financial security is in place for liabilities in respect of:

- outstanding wages and repatriation of seafarers together with incidental costs and expenses in accordance with MLC Regulation 2.5, Standard A2.5.2 and Guideline B2.5; and



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- compensation for death or long-term disability in accordance with Regulation 4.2., Standard A4.2. and Guideline B4.2.

Enclosure:

1. Nil.

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