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International Labour Organization Conventions C. 92 and C. 133 Compliance

1.0 Introduction

1.1 The Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Maritime Administrator (the “Administrator”) recognizes International Labour Organization (ILO) Conventions C. 92 and C. 133 as industry standards¹ *to the extent reasonable and practicable for:*

- .1 vessels constructed prior to the entry into force (20 August 2013) of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC, 2006) and to which the MLC, 2006 applies; and
- .2 vessels not subject to the MLC, 2006 whose owners or operators desire documentation that verifies their vessels comply with one (1) of these conventions or the MLC, 2006 to satisfy coastal State requirements or charter agreements relating to shipboard accommodations.

1.2 All RMI-flagged vessels, and those transferring into the RMI, must undergo MLC, 2006 inspection and certification as applicable. See RMI Marine Notice [2-011-33](#) for the specific, step-by-step procedures for obtaining MLC, 2006 certification and RMI Marine Notice [7-044-1](#) on how C. 92 and/or C. 133 may be used in meeting the requirements for such certification.

2.0 Procedures for Obtaining ILO Documents of Compliance

- 2.1 An owner or operator who desires the issuance of an RMI ILO Document of Compliance must make application directly to the Classification Society. The application needs to specify whether an ILO Convention C. 92 or C. 133 Document of Compliance is requested.
- 2.2 The Classification Society will perform the necessary plan review and shipboard surveys for the requested certification. Since compliance is not mandatory, deviations from specific convention requirements are to be considered as “Exceptions” to convention requirements. Any “Exceptions” noted during the plan review or survey phases are to be documented.

¹ The RMI did not have the opportunity to accede to ILO Conventions No. 92 and No. 133 as it became a member of the ILO on 03 July 2007 and these conventions were closed to further ratifications. The RMI did, however, ratify the MLC, 2006 which consolidates previous ILO Conventions, including No. 92 and No. 133.

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- 2.3 Upon satisfactory completion of the plan review and surveys, the appropriate Document of Compliance may be issued by the Classification Society.
- 2.4 The Document of Compliance must state whether the ship is in “full” or “substantial” or “partial” compliance with the appropriate convention. If the ship is in “substantial” or “partial” compliance, the “Exceptions” are to be listed in the space provided on the face of the Document of Compliance. The list of “Exceptions” may be continued on the reverse side of the Document of Compliance, as necessary.

3.0 MLC, 2006

- 3.1 The Administrator will review to ensure compliance with Part III of ILO Convention C. 92, and/or the provisions of Part II of ILO Convention C. 133, *Accommodations of Crews (Supplementary Provisions) Convention*, as applicable, before issuing a Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance (DMLC) Part I to vessels noted in §1.1, above.

- .1 Vessels transferring into the RMI flag should refer to §6.2 of RMI Marine Notice [2-011-33](#).
