



Technical Circular

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To whomsoever it may concern

Subject: USCG safety alert reg. use of high frequency radios

- USCG had discontinued monitoring the Single Side Band High Frequency (SSB-HF) of 2182 KHz and same was informed through marine safety alert 06-13 dated 18 June 2013.
- However, USCG marine inspectors found that number of vessel operators and ship masters continue to use this outdated frequencies to contact the coast guards.
- The Coast Guards are monitoring the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) SSB-HF frequencies 4125, 6215, 8291 and 12,290 kHz in place of the old international radiotelephone distress frequency 2182 kHz.
- More detailed information on the SSB-HF and HF DSC frequencies on which the Coast Guard keeps watch for distress and safety purposes can be found in below link:
<https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=cgcommsCall>
- Owners, operators and masters are requested to be guided by above.

Enclosure:

1. USCG marine safety alert 08-17.