



Technical Circular

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To whomsoever it may concern

Subject: Republic of Liberia Marine Operations Note on Advance Notice of Arrival Requirements for vessels calling on ports in Australia, China, Europe and USA.

- Liberia Maritime Authority has noted that the detainable deficiencies recorded during Port State Control (PSC) inspections are due to existing conditions on vessels where there is no evidence of corrective action or action initiated to mitigate the impact of defective equipment.
- The recent detainable deficiencies found are related to lack of fire safety equipment, inoperable high pressure water mist system and automatic fuel shut off valves, MLC issues like wage payment, expired SEAs of onboard seafarers, noncompliance with rest hours etc. which were preventable.
- Liberia Maritime Authority has issued a marine operations note 03/2018 reg. advance notice of arrival requirements for vessels calling on ports in Australia, China, Europe and USA superseding previous marine operation notes 04-2009, 01-2011, 01-2012 and marine safety advisories 03-2015 and 04-2015.
- Administration requires masters and/or DPAs to provide Advance Notice of Arrival (ANOA) to NOA@liscr.com at least 4 work days (96 hours) prior their vessel arrives at its first port in Australia, China, Europe or USA including a completed Pre Arrival Checklist (RLM-258) identifying any defective equipment, possible noncompliance and corrective action applicable is to be included with the ANOA. The checklist is available on the LISCR web site:
http://www.liscr.com/sites/default/files/online_library/RLM-258_PreArrivalChecklist.pdf
- Where possible a copy of an ANOA provided to the Coastal State will suffice with a report of any defective equipment and actions taken to mitigate same. Where this is not possible, the Master required to send an email to ANOA@liscr.com with the following information:
 1. Vessel Name:
 2. IMO Number:
 3. Port of Arrival:
 4. Date of Arrival:
 5. Contact information for the local agent:
 6. Defective Equipment:
 7. Vessel's Previous Port:
 8. Date of departure:

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- ANOA submitted in time may be helpful for assistance from Administration to ensure compliance with the requirements minimizing any potential problems with PSC and delay of the ship due to detention.
- Ship owners/ operators and masters are advised to be guided by above.

Enclosure:

1. Liberia Maritime Authority Marine Operations Note 03/2018.

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