



# Merchant Marine **Notice**

Panama Maritime Authority  
General Directorate of Merchant Marine  
Control and Compliance Department

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## CONCENTRATED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN ON ISPS CODE

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1. The purpose of this Merchant Marine Notice is to communicate to Ship-owners/Operators, Legal Representative of Panamanian Flag Vessels; Panamanian Merchant Marine Recognized Organizations (ROs), that the Panama Maritime Authority will launch a Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on ISPS Code.
2. This inspection campaign will be held for three months, commencing from 1 October 2020 and ending 30 December 2020. The campaign will target compliance on all vessels, regardless of type, and will examine specific areas related to the campaign in conjunction with the regular Port State Control inspection. A ship will be subject to only one inspection under this CIC during the period of the campaign.
3. The purpose of the CIC on ISPS Code is to ensure that:
  - The vessels and their crew are familiar with the requirements ISPS code and Merchant Marine Circulars #359, #133, #371 and #321.
  - Master and crew of the ship understand their assigned roles and duties in case of emergency and enhance their familiarity with the situations so that they can act immediately when circumstances arise.
4. The results of the campaign will be analysed and findings will be presented to the governing bodies.
5. This Administration exhorts Ship-owners /Operators, Legal Representative of Panamanian Flag Vessel; Panama Merchant Marine Recognized Organizations (ROs), to review the minimum standards for ISPS CODE, to comply with the relevant conventions.

**September, 2020** – Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on ISPS Code.



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