

#### **Technical Circular**

No.: 030/2021 Date: 02<sup>nd</sup> June 2021

Subject: Panama MMN-13/2021 Reg. Flag Annual Safety Inspection for vessels with Priority 1 in Paris MOU Inspection and Selection Scheme that arrive at any port in Italy.

- 1. Panama Administration vide Merchant Marine Notice, MMN-13/2021 has informed regarding an increase of detentions in the Paris MoU, specifically in Italy. These detentions have in common that they are ships with **Priority 1 in Paris MoU Inspection and Selection Scheme**.
- 2. In view of above and in order to maintain white list status of Panama in Paris MoU, Administration has made it compulsory for all Panamanian flagged ships with Priority 1 in Paris MoU Inspection and Selection Scheme, to undergo a Flag State Annual Safety Inspection (ASI) as soon as they arrive at any port or terminal in Italy.
- 3. If required, the Shipowners/Operators will be required to assume the travel, food, and lodging expenses of the Flag Inspector designated to attend to their ships.
- 4. To know and/or to calculate the risk level of ships, Administration has urged Owners/ managers to enter the following Paris MoU link and follow the steps to carry out the calculation of the company's performance and then calculate the level of risk (priority factor) of their ships.

https://www.parismou.org/inspections-risk/library-faq/ship-risk-profile https://www.parismou.org/inspections-risk/company-performance-calculator https://www.parismou.org/inspections-risk/ship-risk-calculator

- 5. Attached MMN states that non-compliance with the provisions of this marine notice will be subject to sanction. Refusing for the first time carries a penalty of 10,000.00 USD. The recurrence will be grounds for the cancellation of the Panamanian registry immediately.
- 6. Ship Owners/ managers and Masters of Panamanian flagged ships are advised to be guided by above and ensure compliance.

#### **Enclosure:**

1. Panama Merchant Marine Notice, MMN-13/2021.



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Panama Maritime Authority F-34
General Directorate of Merchant Marine
Control and Compliance Department V.04

### FLAG ANNUAL SAFETY INSPECTION FOR VESSELS WITH PRIORITY 1 IN PARIS MOU INSPECTION AND SELECTION SCHEME THAT ARRIVE AT ANY PORT IN ITALY

No: MMN-13/2021

- 1. As you are aware the Paris MoU implemented an initiative to identify high-quality ships and flags and provide incentives to encourage quality operations. This initiative is called White List, and through this initiative, high-quality vessels should be recognized and rewarded for their commitment to safety and quality.
- 2. The Paris MoU Inspection and Selection Scheme is based on a ship's Risk Profile, the Inspection and Selection Scheme determines the scope, frequency, and priority of inspections. Periodic Inspections are carried out at intervals determined by the ship risk profile.

Ships become due for periodic inspection in the following time windows:

- For HRS between 5-6 months after the last inspection in the Paris MoU region.
- For SRS between 10-12 months after the last inspection in the Paris MoU region.
- For LRS between 24-36 months after the last inspection in the Paris MoU region.

The selection scheme is divided into two priorities:

- Priority I: ships must be inspected because either the time window has closed or there is an overriding factor.
- Priority II: ships may be inspected because they are within the time window or the port State considers an unexpected factor warrants an inspection.

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- 3. Panama currently belongs to the Paris MoU white list; however, we have detected an increase of detentions in the Paris MoU, specifically in Italy. These detentions have in common that they are ships with Priority 1 in Paris MoU Inspection and Selection Scheme.
- 4. For the aforementioned and in order to maintain our white list status in the Paris MoU, this Administration has decided that is compulsory that all Panamanian flag vessels with Priority 1 in Paris MoU Inspection and Selection Scheme, that arrive at any port in Italy, have to Conduct a Flag annual safety inspection (ASI) as soon as they arrive at any port or terminal in Italy.
- **5.** If required, that the Shipowners/Operators will assume the travel, food, and lodging expenses of the Flag Inspector designated to attend to their vessels.
- **6.** To know and/or calculate the risk level of your vessels, we urge you to enter the following Paris MoU link and follow the steps to carry out the calculation of the company's performance and then calculate the level of risk (priority factor) of their vessels.

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7. Non-compliance with the provisions of this marine notice will be subject to sanction. Refusing for the first time carries a penalty of 10,000.00 USD. The recurrence will be grounds for the cancellation of the Panamanian registry immediately.

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