



Technical Circular

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To Whomsoever it may concern

Subject : Caribbean Memorandum Of Understanding on Port State Control – Launch of Concentrated Inspection Campaign on Fire Safety Systems

Please be advised that the Caribbean Memorandum of Understanding (CMOU) on port State control will launch its second concentrated inspection campaign (CIC) on 1st September 2014.

This will focus on ensuring compliance with SOLAS Chapter II-2 and the International Code for Fire Safety Systems on board ships. The CIC will last three (3) months, ending on 30th November 2014.

The CIC is designed to raise awareness of fire safety-related issues and to ensure that:

- ships are complying with the requirements of the SOLAS Convention Chapter II-2 and the International Code for Fire Safety Systems;
- fire-fighting equipment is readily available and maintained at all times; and
- the Master, officers and crew are familiar with the equipment and have received training in carrying out their duties.

In practice, the CIC will mean that during a regular port State control inspection conducted under the targeting matrix criteria within the CMOU region, the fire safety plan, fire control measures, drills, crew awareness and other applicable documentation will be verified in more detail for compliance with SOLAS Chapter II-2 and the International Code for Fire Safety Systems.

Port State control officers will use a questionnaire (copy attached) listing a number of items to be covered during the CIC. When deficiencies are found, actions by the port State may vary from recording a deficiency and instructing the Master to rectify it within a certain period to detaining the ship until serious deficiencies have been rectified.

Any detentions will be published in the monthly detention lists of the CMOU website. It is expected that the CMOU will carry out approximately 200 inspections during the CIC. The results of the campaign will be analyzed and findings will be presented to the governing body of the CMOU for submission to the relevant IMO sub-committees.

Owners/Managers are requested to verify the requirement as per the attached check list so as to ensure that vessels when subjected to Port State Control Inspection are not found with deficiency or detained.

Enclosure: 1. CIC Questionnaire

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REPORT OF CIC ON FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS (FSS).

from **01/09/2014** to **30/11/2014**

Ship's Name / IMO No:

Port of Inspection:

Date of Inspection:

No.	Item	Yes	No	N/A
1	Is the Fire Control Plan present, permanently exhibited and up to date ? SOLAS Ch II-2/ Reg 15.2.4 (Def codes: 0755 / 07122) ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2	Do the fire fighters' outfits including personal equipment comply with the requirements? SOLAS Ch II-2/ Reg 10.10 (Def codes: 0730 / 07110)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Do the Emergency Escape Breathing Devices (EEBD) comply with the requirements? SOLAS Ch II-2/ Reg 13.3.4 and Reg 13.4.3 (Def codes: 0736 / 07112)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Are the portable extinguishers ready for use in locations as per the fire control plan? SOLAS Ch II-2/Reg 10.3.2.4 (Def codes: 0720 / 07108)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5*	Does the automatic audible alarm sound prior to the release of a fixed gas fire-extinguishing medium into spaces in which personnel normally work? FSS Ch 5/ Reg 2.1.3.2 (Def codes 0725 / 07109)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6*	Are the fire protection systems, firefighting-systems and appliances maintained / ready for use? SOLAS/Ch II-2/ Reg 14.2.1 (Def codes: 0720 / 07108)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

¹ The mentioned deficiencies codes are respectively for the Caribbean MOU,CMIC- and CMIS-database

No.	Item	Yes	No	N/A
7	Is there a maintenance plan onboard, to show that fire protection systems and fire- fighting systems and appliances (as appropriate) have been properly tested and inspected? SOLAS/Ch II-2/ Reg14.2.2 (Def codes: 0720 / 07108) ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8*	Does the activation of any detector or manually operated call point initiate a visual and audible fire signal at the control panel on the bridge or control station? SOLAS Ch II-2/ Reg 7.4.2 (Def codes: 0715 / 07106)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9*	Is the emergency fire pump, capable of producing at least two jets of water? SOLAS/Ch II-2/ Reg 10.2.2.3.1 and Reg 10.2.2.4.2 (Def codes: 0739 / 07113)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Are the isolating valves of the fire main marked, maintained and easily operable? SOLAS/Ch II-2/ Reg10.2.1.4 (Def codes: 0730 / 07110)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11*	Where a fire drill was witnessed was it found to be satisfactory? SOLAS Ch II-2/ Reg 15.2.2.5 and SOLAS Ch-III/ Reg 19.3 (Def codes: 2020 / 07125)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Was the ship detained as a result of the CIC?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Notes:

If the box “No” is ticked off; than the details of the deficiencies should be appropriately entered on the PSC Report of Inspection - Form B and include the deficiency code as indicated in the question.

If the box “No” is ticked off for questions marked with an asterix “*” the ship may be considered for detention.

For statistical purposes please send the questionnaire together with the inspection report to the CMOU secretariat, caribmou@caribbeanmou.org.

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