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To: Local Representatives Ship Owners, Operators, Masters, Officers

Survey and Certificate Regime for Vessels of Less than Convention Size

References :

Gibraltar (Merchant Shipping (Survey, Certification and Safety) Regulations 2004, Reg 5(1), as amended.
IACS Recommendation No. 99 - "Recommendations for the Safety of Cargo Vessels of less than Convention Size. (IACS 99)

Background:

IACS 99 specifies the technical requirements for vessels of less than Convention size, but does not specify the survey and certificate regime.

Requirement:

To ensure that these vessels are treated in a consistent manner, the following will apply:

The survey cycle will be in accordance with the schedule for vessels that are required to be compliant with SOLAS, i.e. initial, renewal, periodical and annual surveys, employing a 5 year cycle.

The certificates to be issued on behalf of Gibraltar by Classification Societies will include:

Cargo Ship Safety Construction (Non-convention) Certificate
Cargo Ship Safety Equipment (Non-convention) Certificate
Cargo Ship Safety Radio (Non-convention) Certificate

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