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IMMARBE implements a Self-Inspection Program

With an aim to minimize the number of detentions, IMMARBE provides Owners with key information that can be used as a tool to prevent deficiencies and/or detentions by implementing a Self-Inspection Program.

Notice to: Ship Owners/ Managers/ Operators | Surveyors/Auditors

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The Technical Department of IMMARBE has developed a checklist highlighting all necessary items in order to confirm compliance with international and national requirements.

The checklist is to be used as an instrument to self-inspect Belize flagged vessels by their Master's, allowing the prompt identification of deficiencies and their rectification prior to a Port State Control Inspection is performed.

It aims to minimize the number of deficiencies found by a Port State Control Officer and finally to mitigate the possibility of having the vessel detained by a Port State Control Authority.

Deficiencies identified and reported by the Master will not be considered as a non-compliance; on the contrary, the identification of deficiencies will allow IMMARBE to assist in the proper rectification and closing of these deficiencies.

The **Self-Inspection Checklist** must be submitted to IMMARBE's Technical Department **on monthly basis and within the first 5 days of each month** except for those vessels found by a Port State Control Officer with 7 or more deficiencies. It's important to note that the information contained in the Self-Inspection Checklist must be verified and confirmed by the Designated Person Ashore (DPA).

All vessels found with 7 or more deficiencies will be included in a Performance Improvement Plan (PIP) for non-compliant vessels.

The **Performance Improvement Plan (PIP)** will require the submission of the Self-Inspection Checklist **twice a month for a period of 90 days**. Vessels included in the Performance Improvement Plan must perform the first submission during the first 5 days and the second on the 15th of each month.

IMMARBE assures that a proper enforcement of the Self-Inspection onboard Belize flagged vessels will definitely reduce the amount of detentions.

Act now

Ship Owners / Managers / Operators of Belize flagged vessels must instruct the Masters onboard to submit the Self-Inspection Checklist, as requested by IMMARBE to its Technical Department (Eng. Eduardo Simon, technicalofficer@immarbe.com; Mr Anique Sabal, technicalofficer2@immarbe.com and Ms Sharon Escalante, techsupport@immarbe.com).

Dromon Surveyors on each survey, audit, inspection should verify that evidences of submitting the Self-Inspection Checklist to IMMARBE exist onboard. Lack of evidence shall be considered as a deficiency due to non-compliance with the Flag Requirements.

For further information, please contact our Marine Division at marine@dromon.com