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## Marine Guidance (2/ 2016)

### "Type Approvals" and "to the Satisfaction of the Administration"

**To: Masters, Shipowners and Operators of Myanmar Flagged Ships, Recognized Organizations, Ship Builders/Repairers, DMA Principle Officers and Surveyors and Other Maritime Industry Contributors.**

#### *Summary*

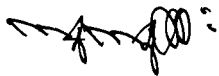
*This document serves to issue guidance for "Type approvals" and DMA's Policy on the interpretation of the phrase "to the satisfaction of the Administration" found in relevant IMO mandatory instruments.*

#### **TYPE APPROVALS**

1. The equipment will be considered of two (2) different types:
  - (a) Equipment provided in the specifications of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), in which case there are specifications that have been developed by committees of the IMO. Recognized Organizations shall accept for use on ships registered in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, those equipments adopted under these specifications, which have been approved by maritime authorities and are included in the list of approved equipment.
  - (b) Equipment not provided in the specifications issued by the IMO, cases in which the conventions require that the equipment should be of a type approved, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, in accordance with the provisions of the conventions, will accept the equipment approved by traditional maritime countries members of the IMO, which have provisions for the approval of certain types of equipments and organizations must accept the equipment so approved.
2. In cases not covered under the previously mentioned conditions, the Recognized Organizations should, acting on behalf of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, will accept national or international standards, or the standards developed by experienced organizations, for equipment or materials on board Myanmar Flagged Ships.
3. In such circumstances, the Recognized Organizations must submit, to the Department of Marine Administration (DMA), when such approvals are required, and the list of equipments that have been approved.

**"TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE ADMINISTRATION" CRITERIA**

4. The "Administration" in this context refers to the Departments of Marine Administration (DMA).
5. In order to address the phrase "to the satisfaction of the Administration",DMA will consult the Unified Interpretations (UIs) of the International Association of Classification Societies(IACS) on the subject matter and analyses all relevant guidelines and circulars issued by the IMO. The DMA will thereafter inform the maritime industry participants through marine notifications and marine guidance of the interpretation.
6. The IMO will also be informed accordingly.



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