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Type Approval of Marine Equipment

Applicable to: All Ship - Owners, ship Operators, Flag State Surveyors, Recognized Organizations, Masters and Officers of Myanmar Flagged Ships, Equipment Manufacturers in Myanmar

Reference:

- (a) SOLAS 1974, as amended

1 The Department of Marine Administration circulates this directive in the exercise of the power conferred by Section 294(B), paragraph (b) of the Myanmar Merchant Shipping Act 1923, as amended.

2 This directive applies to Myanmar flagged ships engaged on International voyages complying with requirements of SOLAS 1974, as amended.

3 The Guidance and Standards for the Type Approval of Marine Equipment under SOLAS 1974, as amended under Chapter III, IV and V for safe operation of the ships are set out by the Department of Marine Administration to fulfill the relevant requirements of the above-mentioned reference.

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Director General
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1. Standard Operating Procedure for Type Approval of Marine Equipment

1.1 Policy

To ensure marine equipment using onboard are manufactured and tested in accordance with the requirements of relevant IMO Instruments and International Standards especially SOLAS 1974, as amended Chapter III, IV and V for the safe operation of the ships.

1.2 Purpose

To provide the information and requirements related to the type approval for stringent compliance with and uniform application of the procedure.

1.3. Responsibilities

1.3.1 The Director General is responsible for the overall in-charge of the implementation of this procedure. The Deputy Director General (Tech) is responsible for the same in the absence of Director General or when delegated by Director General.

1.3.2. The **Director (Nautical Division)** is responsible for

- .1 the decision on policy matters, close monitoring and improvement of the process,
- .2 the recommendation which is required to provide to the Director General for the appointment of Notified Body, and
- .3 the proposal for the amendment of this procedure as and when required.

1.3.3 The **Ship Owners** are responsible for the supply or installation of all navigational equipment, radio communication equipment, lifesaving appliances and

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arrangement, which are approved or accepted by the Department of Marine Administration (DMA).

1.3.4 The **Notified Body** is responsible for the entire process of type approval for Mariner Equipment on behalf of the Department of Marine Administration (DMA).

1.4. Appointment of Notified Body and Acceptance & Recognition

1.4.1 Appointment of Notified Body

In case when there is a marine equipment manufacture in Myanmar, the DMA will appoint one of the Recognized Organizations to act on his behalf and will bring it to the attention of all parties concerned by Directive and/or Guidance and Standards for Type Approval for Marine Equipment.

1.4.2. Acceptance & Recognition for Type Approval of Mariner Equipment

The DMA accepts and recognizes the manufacturers, checked or inspected and approved by the Recognized Organizations, the other International Association of Classification Societies members and the other SOLAS Contracting Governments provided that all navigational and radio communication equipment complied with the relevant performance standard adopted by International Maritime Organization (IMO) and all lifesaving appliances and arrangement are evaluated, tested and approved in accordance with the relevant recommendation adopted by IMO.

1.5. List of Notified Bodies

The list is attached to the Annex 1 of Guidance and Standards for Type Approval of Marine Equipment. It will be updated whenever the changes take place.

1.6. List of Recognized Organizations

The list is attached to the Annex 2 of Guidance and Standards for Type Approval of Marine Equipment. It will be updated whenever the changes take place.

1.7 References

1.7.1 SOLAS 1974, as amended

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1.7.2 Guidance and Standards for Type Approval of Marine Equipment

1.8 Records

1.8.1 The documents related to the appointment of Notified Body (if any).

1.8.2 The copy of type approval certificate for critical equipment of Myanmar flagged ships.

The records shall be retained for a minimum period of (5) years.