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REQUIREMENTS FOR RECOGNITION OF P&I CLUBS AND INSURANCE COMPANIES TO ISSUE INSURANCE CERTIFICATES (BLUE CARDS) FOR MYANMAR SHIPS

Applicable to: P&I Clubs, Insurance Companies, Shipowners, Operators, Managers, Masters of Myanmar ships, Flag State Surveyors, Port State Control Officers and Recognized Organizations

References: (a) International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001 (Bunker Convention)
(b) Directive (3/2023) dated 26 December 2023

Summary

This Marine Guidance provides the guidelines for application made by P&I Clubs and insurance companies to be recognized by the Department of Marine Administration in order to issue insurance certificates (Blue Cards) for Myanmar ships as required by the provisions of Article 7 of the Bunker Convention.

1. The Department of Marine Administration (DMA) has accepted the P&I Clubs which are members of International Group of P&I Clubs (<http://www.igpandi.org>) and recognized them directly for the issuance of insurance certificates.
2. DMA has also recognized the Non-IG P&I Clubs and insurance companies listed in Annex A which are considered to have met the requirements of IMO Circular No. 3464 that provides guidelines on the documentation to be submitted to the DMA of the State Party.
3. In order to recognize as acceptable insurance providers to issue certificates of insurance (Blue Cards) under the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage (Bunker Convention) for Myanmar registered vessels, the following documents and evidence should be submitted to DMA:
 - (a) documentation regarding the company's financial standing and hence solvency;
 - (b) documented report on the insurance company and/or its reinsurers upon independent evaluation made and issued by an internationally recognized rating agency; and

- (c) necessary documentation on reinsurance coverage on claims met by the company for liability incurred under the Bunker Convention.
4. Non-IG P&I Club or insurer which has been accepted by other Administrations, but not included in the list of the Annex, may wish to apply to be recognized by DMA together with the following documentation:
- (a) list of the countries which have accepted the Blue Cards of the applicant Non-IG P&I Club or insurer and are currently issuing Bunker Convention Certificates (BCC);
 - (b) any three samples of Blue Cards issued for use by different Administrations;
 - (c) evidence of payment on claims for third-party damage or oil pollution damage within three years; and
 - (d) bank guarantee or other evidence of financial creditworthiness and other substantial information, as may be required.
5. DMA may, upon its satisfaction, approve Non-IG P&I Club or insurance company for a period not more than five years, subject to renewal.
6. Upon the additional requirements and necessity, DMA may, from time to time, review and revise the recognized list.
7. This Marine Guidance shall enter into force on the date of issue.



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Recognized P&I Clubs and Non-IG P&I Clubs/Insurance Companies

- 1. List of the members of International Group of Protection and Indemnity (P&I) Clubs**
 - (a) American Steamship Owners Mutual Protection and Indemnity Association, Inc.
 - (b) Assuranceforeningen Skuld
 - i. Skuld Mutual Protection and Indemnity Association (Bermuda) Ltd
 - (c) Gard P&I (Bermuda) Ltd
 - i. Assuranceforeningen Gard
 - (d) The Britannia Steam Ship Insurance Association Limited
 - (e) The Japan Ship Owners' Mutual Protection & Indemnity Association
 - (f) The London Steam-Ship Owners' Mutual Insurance Association Limited
 - (g) The North of England Protecting & Indemnity Association Limited
 - (h) The Shipowners' Mutual Protection & Indemnity Association (Luxembourg)
 - (i) The Standard Steamship Owners' Protection and Indemnity Association (Bermuda) Limited
 - i. The Standard Club UK Ltd.
 - ii. The Standard Club Asia Ltd.
 - (j) The Steamship Mutual Underwriting Association (Bermuda) Limited
 - i. The Steamship Mutual Underwriting Association Ltd
 - (k) Sveriges Ångfartygs Assurans Förening/The Swedish Club
 - (l) United Kingdom Mutual Steam Ship Assurance Association (Bermuda) Limited
 - i. United Kingdom Mutual Steam Ship Assurance Association (Europe) Ltd.
 - (m) The West of England Ship Owners Mutual Insurance Association (Luxembourg)
- 2. List of Non-IG P&I Clubs/Insurance Companies which had been granted for acceptance by the Department of Marine Administration**
 - (a) Edinburgharian PANDI Management Limited
 - (b) Hydor AS
 - (c) IJSC "VSK" Insurance Company
 - (d) Ingosstrakh Insurance Company
 - (e) QITA MC
 - (f) RO Marine AS