

	<b>Information Notice 2017-003</b>
	DEPARTMENT OF MARINE SERVICES AND MERCHANT SHIPPING (ADOMS)
	<b>Port State Control Concentrated Inspection Campaigns 2017</b>

## 1. Introduction

This Information Notice is to draw attention to all persons involved in operating vessels about the upcoming Port State Control Concentrated Inspection Campaigns.

## 2. Port State Control Concentrated Inspection Campaigns (CICs)

Vessels and their equipment should always be maintained in such a way as to ensure smooth Port State Control inspections. Various Port States target vessels in different ways, however, many issue guidance on when inspections can be expected, in order to allow companies and seafarers to easily assess the likelihood of a regular Port State Control inspection, which in turn helps with planning activities during port stays.

Most Port States also hold Concentrated Inspection Campaigns, usually during the months of September, October and November. Information on these campaigns is given on the websites of the various regional Memorandum of Understandings, as well as by individual Port States. It is helpful to the smooth running of the inspections, if the required detailed information is readily available and seafarers are refreshed as to the requirements. The following gives some advice on the subject areas that Port State Inspectors are likely to pursue, both as a direct result of the CIC and looking at related areas.

## 3. 2017 CICs

At present, the following CIC subjects are proposed for 1 September to 30 November 2017:

### 3.1 Safety of Navigation, including ECDIS - Paris MOU, Tokyo MOU and Black Sea MOU

A questionnaire developed by the Tokyo MOU with a checklist of 12 selected questions will be used to assure that the installed on board related equipment conforms with valid legal certificates, type approval certificates, and is accompanied with proper records. The captain and officers on duty are familiar with operation of bridge equipment, especially ECDIS and the related equipment receives proper maintenance and is functioning properly.

It is expected CIC will focus on, but not limited to:

- Nautical publications out of date
- Charts missing, or not updated
- Lights, shapes and sound signals
- Voyage, or passage plan
- Magnetic compass
- Voyage data recorder (VDR)
- Bridge navigational watch alarm system (BNWAS)
- Electronic chart display and information system (ECDIS)

If there are areas of concern with the above, then the safety of navigation will likely be looked at in greater depth.

### 3.2 Safety of Navigation - Indian Ocean MOU

It is expected CIC will focus on, but not limited to:

- Nautical publications out of date
- Charts missing, or not updated
- Lights, shapes and sound signals
- Voyage, or passage plan
- Magnetic compass
- Voyage data recorder (VDR)
- Bridge navigational watch alarm system (BNWAS)

If there are areas of concern with the above, then the safety of navigation will likely be looked at in greater depth.

### 3.3 Life Saving Appliances - Caribbean MOU

It is expected that CIC will focus on, but not limited to:

- Lifeboats: engine could not be started/on/off load release system defective
- Rescue boat: engine could not be started, or inoperative
- Launching and embarkation arrangement for survival craft and rescue boat
- Operational readiness of life saving appliances

If there are areas of concern with the above, then the life saving arrangements will likely be looked at in greater depth.

## 4. Further information on Port State Control

The following websites provide useful information for vessels trading in the appropriate areas:

- Paris MOU (Europe and Canada); <https://www.parismou.org/>
- Tokyo MOU (Pacific Ocean); <http://www.tokyo-mou.org/>
- USCG (United States of America); <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cgcvc/cvc2/safety.asp>
- Caribbean MOU; <http://www.caribbeanmou.org/>
- Mediterranean MOU; <http://81.192.101.140/Home.aspx>
- Vina del Mar (South and Central America); <http://www.acuerdolatino.int.ar/ciala/index.php>
- Indian Ocean MOU; <http://www.iomou.org/>
- Abuja MOU (West and Central Atlantic Africa); <http://www.abujamou.org/index.php>
- Black Sea MOU; <http://www.bsmou.org/>
- Riyadh MOU (Persian Gulf); <http://www.riyadhrou.org/>