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|  | Information Notice 2018-005 |
| | DEPARTMENT OF MARINE SERVICES AND MERCHANT SHIPPING (ADOMS) |
| | Dual Load Lines Policy / Change of Load Lines / Attendance of Class Surveyor |

In respect of Antigua and Barbuda flagged Vessels that are operating under a Dual Load Line Certification Scheme, ADOMS would like to inform its Customers and Stakeholders as follows:

*Requirements of the Administration regarding the Change
of Load Lines on Vessels under Dual Load Line Certification:*

- Whenever a change of load line is intended, permission shall be sought by the vessel's Management from the respective Recognized Organization. The Recognized Organization will grant permission in accordance with the applicable rules and regulations, and, if required, will seek confirmation by the Administration.
- Once permission is granted, the vessel's Master is responsible for taking the necessary action in respect of correctly labelling and painting all the corresponding load line marks, and officially document the process accordingly in the logbook, with substantive evidence (e.g. photographs) recorded and attached directly or e.g. in a separate file referred to.
- The documentation must then be provided to the Recognized Organization, who will issue the corresponding Load Line Certificate accordingly and withdraw or suspend the non-applicable one.
- Above process may be conducted with and at the presence of a Class Surveyor attending the vessel, however this is left at the discretion of the Recognized Organization, as it may be performed also by other means, e.g. via [electronic] correspondence, if so established. This Administration does not explicitly require the attendance of a Class Surveyor.

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