

Circular 279/ 2023

To: Vessel Owners, Managers, Masters, Officers, Deputy Registrars, Surveyors and Other Interested Parties

Subject: Paris and Tokyo Joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign 2023 on Fire Safety.

Attachment:

Questionnaire on Fire Safety CIC Campaign

Date: 21st August 2023

Summary

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The Maritime Authorities of the Tokyo and the Paris Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) on Port State Control will launch a joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on Fire Safety (in general).

The **main objectives** of this CIC are:

- to create **awareness** among the ship's crew and owners about the importance of **fire safety measures**; and;
- to verify that the ship complies with fire **safety requirements** under the relevant IMO instruments.

This inspection campaign will be held for three months, commencing from **1 September 2023 and ending 30 November 2023**.

The CIC inspections will be applicable to all ships and conducted in conjunction with the regular Port State Control inspection. A ship will be subject to **only one inspection** under this CIC during the period of the campaign.

Inspection Details

Questionnaire

Port State Control Officers (PSCOs) will use a pre-defined questionnaire to assess that **fire-fighting systems and equipment** comply with the relevant requirements, that the master and crew members are **familiar with operations** relating to fire safety, and that **equipment** is properly **maintained and functioning**.

Deficiencies and Detentions

If deficiencies are found, actions by the port State may vary from recording a deficiency and instructing the master to rectify it within a certain period of time to detaining the ship until the serious deficiencies have been rectified. In the case of detention, publication in the monthly detention lists of the Tokyo and Paris MoU websites will take place.

Inspections Results

The results of the campaign will be analyzed and findings will be presented to the governing bodies of both MoUs for submission to the IMO.

QUESTIONNAIRE
CONCENTRATED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN ON FIRE SAFETY
PMoU/TMoU

Ship's name	
IMO No.	
Date of Inspection	

QUESTIONS 1 TO 10 ANSWERED WITH A "NO" MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RELEVANT DEFICIENCY ON THE REPORT OF INSPECTION.

No.	Questions	Yes	No	N/A	Detention
1*	Are the emergency escape routes maintained in a safe condition? (07120/04103)				
2*	Are the fire doors maintained in good working condition? (07105)				
3*	Has the fixed fire detection and fire alarm systems, been periodically tested in accordance with the requirements of the Administration? (07106)				
4*	Are ventilation closing appliances capable of being closed? (07116)				
5*	Are the means of control for power ventilation of machinery spaces operable from two grouped positions? (07116)				
6*	Can each fire pump deliver at least the two required jets of water? (07113)				
7*	Are the means of control provided in a position outside the machinery space for stopping ventilation and oil transfer equipment operational? (07114)				
8*	Is the room for the fixed gas fire extinguishing medium used only for this purpose? (07109)				
9*	Are the valves used in the fire main line operational? (07110)				
10*	Where a fire drill was witnessed, was it found to be satisfactory? (04109/07125)				

If "No" is ticked for questions marked with an asterisk "*", the ship may be considered for detention