

Subject: [ATTENTION] Increase in Port State Control Detentions Experienced By Singapore Ships In Early 2019

[For the attention of Designated Persons (DPA) and/or Ship Managers of companies operating Singapore registered ships]

Dear Sir/Madam,

INCREASE IN PORT STATE CONTROL DETENTIONS EXPERIENCED BY SINGAPORE SHIPS IN EARLY 2019

Thank you for your collective efforts in supporting the performance of the Singapore Registry of Ships (SRS) which fared well under Port State Control (PSC) for the past years including 2018. Nevertheless, we would like to bring your attention to the recent spate of PSC detentions of Singapore ships in the first two months of 2019.

In 2019 till date, the SRS has experienced a total of 11 PSC detentions in the following countries: Australia (2), Indonesia (2), Belgium (1), China (1), Colombia (1), Cuba (1), France (1), Mexico (1), and Netherlands (1). The detention deficiencies (Code 30) are appended in the table below. You may note that these are typical and common deficiencies, which you should already be aware of.

Deficiency Group	Deficiency Code	Deficiency
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0 2		021 01	Closing devices/watertight doors	Bosun's compartment door on cargo deck not watertight (deficient structural condition).
0 2		021 06	Hull damage impairing seaworthiness	Ballast tank No.1 port side frames 200 up to 210 is cracked.
0 2	Structural Conditions	021 08	Electrical installations in general	At the time of the inspection, the electrical supply to elements necessary for propulsion, steering and safety of the vessel cannot be maintained or immediately restored in case of the loss of one generator. Generators in standby don't start immediately when on-load generator is stopped, and emergency generator starts first and take the load in about 40 seconds.
0 2		021 11	Beams, frames, floors-corrosion	Numerous structural members on deck are corroded and in some places wasted, mainly longitudinal (e.g. tank top stiffeners and beams).
0 2		021 26	Cargo tank vent system	Cargo tank venting / IG pipes are not properly maintained. Bolts are wasted, several flanges are heavily corroded, several supports and brackets are heavily corroded and some brackets are missing.
0 3	Water/Weath	031 08	Ventilators, air pipes, casings	Several vent heads from ballast tanks are not properly maintained (e.g. rubbers missing, float misplaced).
0 3	ertight conditions	031 08	Ventilators, air pipes, casings	Found on the PS main deck at least 8 air pipes the gaskets not in place, also on SB side several air pipes the gasket not being in place. All air pipes to be opened up and presented to the RO. Report from RO to be sent to PSC The Netherlands.
0	Radio	051	MF/HF Radio installation	MF Antenna broken (one third of the antenna missing at the top).

5	Communications	05		
07	Fire safety	07109	Fixed fire extinguishing installation	In CO2 room, several pilot lines are not as required: the pilot lines are bended and 1 hose was disconnected. Authorised service company to be invited on board for repair. RO to confirm proper installation/functioning of CO2 system. Report from RO to be sent to PSC The Netherlands.
07		07115	Fire-dampers	Engine room fire damper P/S defective.
07		07117	Jacketed high pressure lines and oil leakage alarm	Jacketed piping system for high pressure fuel lines of G/E malfunction.
08	Alarms	08107	Machinery controls alarm	The high level water alarm at the stern shaft malfunction.
11	Life saving appliances	11104	Rescue boats	Rescue boat engine unable to start.
11		11104	Rescue boats	Mechanical power to rescue boat crane defective.
11		11124	Embarkation arrangement survival craft	The iron hoop of the embarkation arrangements for survival craft on port side for connecting with the hull seriously corrosive - almost breakage.
1	Dangerous	121	Instrumentation	Several sampling pipes from the gas detection system on deck are not supported

2	goods	06		(brackets and supports are wasted due to corrosion).
1 4	Pollution prevention	141 04	Oil filtering equipment	Oily water separator defective.
1 4		144 02	Sewage treatment plant	Sewage treatment plant defective.
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1 4		144 02	Sewage treatment plant	The cylinder cover of sewage treatment plant - water leaking.
1 4		146 08	Incinerator incl. operations and operating manual	Incinerator defective.
1 5	ISM	151 02	Company responsibility and authority	SMS, as implemented, fails to ensure: 1)The crew are adequately rested as per deficiency number 7. 2)Reports of non-conformities are reported to the company (as per procedureFAM-013,IV5). 3)The company performs an adequate annual audit, serious rest violations were evident prior to the annual audit (March 2018) and not identified.
1 5		151 11	Company verification, review and evaluation	Safety management audit by the Administration is required before departure of the ship. Deficiency(s) marked ISM is(are) objective evidence of a serious failure, or lack of

				effectiveness, of implementation of the ISM Code.
1 6	ISPS	161 01	Security related defects	Security related defects

The current situation is not desirable for stakeholders of SRS be it Flag, owner, manager or crew. We seek your co-operation to work together with us in taking firm actions to stem this trend.

Your company is hereby requested to:

- Urgently disseminate this information to key personnel in your office and on board your ships.
- Arrange for your vessels to be thoroughly inspected by shore personnel or ship officers to ensure the vessel is in good order, and to deal with any deficiencies promptly in accordance with the ISM Code. Serious deficiencies which cannot be rectified immediately shall be reported to your company, MPA (shipping@mpa.gov.sg) and the ROs, as well as the competent authority of the port State when the vessel is calling at a foreign port.

Please note that we are closely monitoring the performance of our Singapore ships, and will not hesitate to take extra measures in order to maintain our quality flag status. These may include priority ship inspections by MPA's Flag State Control (FSC) surveyors, including conduct of FSC inspection in overseas ports if necessary and imposing additional surveys and/or audits on your ships and companies where necessary.

We seek your kind understanding and urgent attention on the above.

Your company is requested to acknowledge receipt of this email by replying to us at shipping@mpa.gov.sg.

Regards,

Flag State Control Department Team

Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore

Best Regards

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