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## FLEET / SAFETY LETTER 2015-June-4

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**Applicable to:** This circular should be brought to the attention of ship-owners, ship managers, operators and masters of Vanuatu-registered ships.

**This letter supersedes the Fleet Safety Letter published on 17 September 2013 only in regards to non-STCW personnel. As for STCW personnel, the 17 September 2013 Safety Letter still applies.**

### **RE: TRAINING FOR NON-SEAFARERS EMPLOYED ON MODU'S**

**Reference:** IMO Resolution A.1079 (28). Within this resolution, the training requirements similar to that of the amended STCW for seafarers introduces certain non-mandatory "should" training requirements to be provided to non-STCW personnel at intervals of not greater than 5 years. Personnel involved solely in non-STCW duties aboard MODUs are to follow the below recommended guidelines:

#### **5.3 Familiarization Training and Instruction**

5.3.3 Safety familiarization training "should" be provided at intervals not greater than five years.

5.3.4 Individuals "should" hold a CoP or provide documentary evidence of having received safety familiarization training within the previous five years, as required.

5.4.2 All offshore personnel (categories B, C and D) without designated security duties should receive security awareness training or instruction at intervals not greater than five years. Revalidation of this training or instruction may be satisfied if the person has met the security-related familiarization requirements of STCW regulation VI/6 and participated in the drills and exercises required by the ISPS Code. These personnel "should" hold a CoP or provide documentary evidence of having received security awareness training or instruction within the previous five years, as required.

#### **5.6 Specialized Training**

5.6.2 Depending on their assigned duties, personnel should receive instruction and training as specified in, or equivalent to, the following:

.1 for those in charge of survival craft, proficiency in survival craft and rescue boats other than fast rescue boats as specified in table A-VI/2-1 of the STCW Code;

.2 for those assigned to operate fast rescue boats, proficiency in fast rescue boats as specified in table A-VI/2-2 of the STCW Code;

.3 for those in charge of the MOU, and those designated to control firefighting operations, proficiency in advanced firefighting as specified in table A-VI/3 of the STCW Code;

.4 for those designated to provide immediate first aid, proficiency in medical first aid as specified in table A-VI/4-1 of the STCW Code;

.5 for a person designated to take charge of medical care on board the MOU, proficiency in taking charge of medical care as specified in table A-VI/4-2 of the STCW Code;

.6 for a person designated security duties on board the MOU, proficiency in security duties as specified in section A-VI/6-2 of the STCW Code;

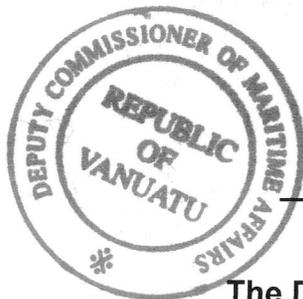
.7 for MOUs with helidecks, the designated helicopter landing officer (HLO) should have completed an accredited HLO course, which should include basic meteorological observer training; and

.8 for MOUs with dynamic positioning systems, the dynamic positioning operator(s) (DPO) should gain the appropriate training and experience in accordance with the guidance provided by industry and recognized by the Organization.<sup>1</sup>

5.6.3 Since specialized training may not be provided on the MOU, care should be taken to ensure that newly assigned personnel with designated responsibility for the survival of others have sufficient experience, instruction, information or training on the equipment they are to use.

5.6.4 Individuals should hold a CoP or provide documentary evidence of having received specialized training or instruction within the previous five years, as required.

**As 1 July 2015, VMSL will be implementing Resolution A.1079 (28) for MODU personnel that are not required to be STCW compliant.**



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