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Watchkeeping in floating dock

To ship repair companies and shipowners

With a view to ensuring safety in floating docks and ships in dock in ship repair companies in the Republic of Estonia, the Estonian Maritime Administration calls attention to the following requirements for arranging watchkeeping in floating docks:

1. Pursuant to § 30 (1) of the Maritime Safety Act, in floating docks watchkeeping shall be arranged. If a ship is in floating dock, watchkeeping arrangements shall ensure compliance with § 29 (2) of Regulation No. 34 of the Minister of Economic Affairs and Communications of 24 May 2013 “Procedure for Watchkeeping on Ships”.
2. If there is no ship in floating dock, watchkeeping shall still be arranged to ensure the safety of floating dock. In case of several empty floating docks next to each other the watch may cover several floating docks simultaneously.
3. The composition of the watch decided by the shipowner shall be adequate for primary measures in emergency situations.

Sincerely

(signed digitally)

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