

Circular No 10

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Validity of the documents issued by the Estonian Maritime Administration

To shipowners, ship managers and masters for information and guidance

The Government of the Republic of Estonia has carried out an administrative reform within the governmental infrastructure and the administrations within the area of government of the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications have been integrated into an agency referred to as the Estonian Transport Administration.

As of 01.01.2021, the Estonian Transport Administration took over the responsibilities of the Estonian Maritime Administration, performing all duties with regard to certification, survey, inspection and audit services together with approval of documents and issue of statutory certificates.

Shipowners, ship managers, and masters of Estonian-flagged vessels to which valid certificates and other documents have been issued are to take note of the following:

- All valid statutory certificates issued and endorsed by the Estonian Maritime Administration shall remain valid and be deemed as equivalent to certificates issued and endorsed by the Estonian Transport Administration;
- Endorsements to the statutory certificates issued by the Estonian Maritime Administration for the annual or intermediate surveys shall be considered valid and deemed as equivalent to certificates issued by the Estonian Transport Administration;
- The Continuous Synopsis Records (CSR) issued by the Estonian Maritime Administration include the name of the Estonian Maritime Administration as the administration which issued the Document of Compliance (DOC), the Safety Management Certificate (SMC) and the International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC). The Estonian Transport Administration will not require such CSRs to be reissued, unless there are changes to the registered particulars of these Estonian-flagged ships in the existing CSR certificate, which requires the issue of a document with the next sequential number;
- Any approval of technical documentation related to statutory certification of an Estonian-flagged ship, fully signed and approved by the Estonian Maritime Administration, shall remain valid until changes to these documents require reapproval;
- Any documents on board ships drawn up by shipowners, ship managers and masters and referring to the Estonian Maritime Administration will remain valid until a new version or amendments to these documents are prepared. In this case all documents shall be updated;
- All circulars issued by the Estonian Maritime Administration and in force on 01.01.2021 shall remain valid unless officially revoked by the Estonian Transport Administration.

This Circular shall not apply when a certificate becomes invalid under the conditions stipulated in Estonian legislation or in international conventions.

(signed digitally)

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