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Directive No. General/01

“TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE ADMINISTRATION” CRITERIA

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1 Introduction

(1) With reference to;

- Legislative decree law no.14/1978 : Law for Registration of Ships and Determination of Safety Conditions thereof,
- Ministerial Resolution No. 6/2001: promulgation of the regulations on merchant shipping (manning, training, certification, and related seafarers' matters)
- Ministerial resolution no. 20/2016: Implementation of Conventions related to marine navigation
- Ports and Maritime Affairs (PMA) resolution no. 6/2016: Implementation of the International Tonnage Convention 1969
- PMA resolution no. 7/2016: Implementation of MARPOL Convention 1973 and its Protocol and Annexes 1, 2 and 5
- PMA Resolution no. 8/2016: Implementation of the SOLAS Convention 1974
- PMA resolution no. 9/2016: Implementation of Load Line Convention 1966 and Protocol 1988

(2) The PMA issues this directive to provide guidance for interpretation of the phrase “to the satisfaction of the Administration” criteria.

2 “To the satisfaction of the Administration” Criteria:

- (1) In all cases in which the IMO instruments ratified by the Kingdom of Bahrain mention the phrase “to the satisfaction of the Administration”, the PMA may apply the rules or interpretations made by:
- (a) the national standards or
 - (b) the IMO standards, or



- (c) the standards developed by recognized organizations (ROs) or
 - (d) the standards developed by experienced Administrations, such as United State Coast Guard (USCG), UK MCA, AMSA, EMSA, and Japan Coast Guard.
- (2) The PMA may establish its own interpretations to provide satisfactory ways of complying with certain provisions of the Conventions; in which case, it is applied exclusively to all ships registered under the Bahraini flag.
- 3 Revision History:**
- Revision No. 1 of the present Directive is the first revision.


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