



MARITIME CIRCULAR No. 5

To:

Recognized Organizations (ROs)

Subject:

Change of RO within Sierra Leone flag

Date:

07th of April 2015

Reference:

MSC.349(92) – Code For Recognized Organizations (RO CODE)

Purpose

This circular is to ensure that all Recognised Organizations (ROs) authorised by the Republic of Sierra Leone report to this Administration for the change of RO without the change of Flag.

For this purpose of this Maritime Circular the following definitions apply:

“*Gaining RO*” means the Recognized Organization which accepts a vessel for its certification only after all overdue surveys; overdue recommendations or overdue conditions previously issued against the vessel have been completed by or as specified by the losing RO.

“*Losing RO*” means the Recognized Organization from which the certification is being transferred. In the case of vessels being certified by more than one RO, “losing RO” means all Recognized Organization from which the certification is being transferred.

Application

1. In cases where a vessel changes RO within the Sierra Leone Flag, the gaining RO shall submit to Sierra Leone Maritime Administration (SLMARAD) the “APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF RECOGNISED ORGANIZATION” prior certifying the vessel.
2. The “APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF RECOGNISED ORGANIZATION” should be submitted by the gaining RO for obtaining an authorization by SLISCR. The application should be submitted together with an updated Survey Status Report of the vessel.

3. SLMARAD will review the “APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF RECOGNISED ORGANIZATION” and contact the losing RO to confirm that the vessel does not have overdue surveys; overdue recommendations or overdue conditions.
4. Upon confirmation from the losing RO, SLMARAD will authorize the gaining RO to conduct the surveys stated in the “APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF RECOGNISED ORGANIZATION”.
5. This procedure is applicable only for the change of RO within the Sierra Leone Flag.
6. The above reporting system will enter into effect as of **07th of April 2015**.

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