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## TECHNICAL CIRCULAR

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Loss of Anchor

## 1.0 Introduction

To ensure a consistent response in loss of anchor cases, Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Recognized Organizations (ROs) are instructed to follow these procedures when handling such cases on RMI-flagged vessels.

## 2.0 Procedure

- 2.1 On being notified of a loss of anchor, a Short Term Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate valid for a maximum of two months may be issued without specific authorization from the RMI Maritime Administrator (the "Administrator").
- 2.2 If a longer timeframe is required, the RO must request authorization from the Administrator per Marine Notice <u>2-011-4</u> with respect to a serious safety-related matter. The request must be sent to <u>technical@register-iri.com</u> and cover:
  - .1 any special operational or construction considerations;
  - .2 the shipowner's corrective action plan; and
  - .3 a recommendation on the term of validity for the certificate.
- 2.3 The following notations must be included on the Short-Term Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate when issued:
  - .1 Tug assistance is to be provided, at the discretion of the Master, while entering port, leaving port, and while navigating in confined waters; and
  - .2 Main Engine/propulsion is to be kept on "Stand By" at all times while at anchor.

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