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Voluntary Compliance with ILO Convention No. 152

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Effective 3 July 2007, the Marshall Islands became a member of the International Labor Organization (ILO). Although vessels registered in the Marshall Islands are not required to comply with the ILO convention requirements to which the Marshall Islands has not previously become a party, the Administration has recognized certain ILO conventions as industry standards for which voluntary compliance is encouraged. Articles 21 through 32 in Part III of ILO Convention No. 152, Occupational Safety and Health (Dock Work) fall into this category. Vessel owners and operators are encouraged to implement the requirements contained in these Articles to the extent practicable.

2.0 Clarifications

- 2.1 The Recognized Organization issuing the Classification Certificate for a vessel is considered to be the “competent person” or “competent authority” specified in the Convention.
- 2.2 The competent authority will establish the format for the Cargo Gear Certificate or Record and any other “authenticated records” used for certifying lifting appliances and loose gear.
- 2.3 The five year survey interval specified in Article 22 of the Convention is acceptable to the Administration for harmony with the drydocking and survey intervals specified in the SOLAS Convention.
