

# Republic of the Marshall Islands

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### YACHT SAFETY ADVISORY No. 04-21

**To: Yacht Owners/Captains, Managers, Agents, Recognized Class Societies and Appointed Representatives**

**Subject: ENCLOSED SPACE ENTRY INCIDENTS INVOLVING SHORE PERSONNEL**

**Date: 1 June 2021**

This Yacht Safety Advisory (YSA) supersedes YSA No. 06-20.

The Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Maritime Administrator (the “Administrator”) has published Marine Safety Advisory (MSA) No. [08-21](#) due to seafarer and shore personnel deaths and injury from enclosed space entry incidents. Although the contents of that MSA were directed at commercial ships, the need to increase seafarer awareness of hazards posed by improper entry applies equally to yachts.

The Administrator requests that yacht managers and masters read MSA No. 08-21 and review their enclosed space entry procedures. Amendments to these procedures should be made, as necessary, to ensure the safety of crewmembers. Commercial Yachts and Yachts Engaged in Trade of 500 gross tons and over, and all Passenger Yachts must comply with RMI Marine Notice [7-041-1](#), *Entering Enclosed Spaces-Safety Precautions*. All other yachts are encouraged to adopt these safety precautions as appropriate.

This YSA is evaluated annually by the Administrator and expires one year after its issuance or renewal unless otherwise noted, superseded, or revoked.