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YACHT SAFETY ADVISORY No. 02-25

To: Yacht Owners, Masters, Managers, Agents, Recognized Class Societies and Appointed Representatives

Subject: CONDITIONS OF ENTRY FOR VESSELS ARRIVING AT UNITED STATES PORTS FROM CERTAIN COUNTRIES

Date: 15 April 2025

This Yacht Safety Advisory (YSA) supersedes YSA No. 09-22.

In accordance with 46 United States (US) Code § 70108 and the US Department of State's designation of the Republic of Cuba as a State Sponsor of Terrorism, the US Coast Guard (USCG) has determined that Cuba is not maintaining effective anti-terrorism measures in its ports. This determination does not apply to US Naval Station Guantanamo Bay.

Actions required as listed in paragraphs C and D of [US Port Security Advisory 1-25](#) took effect for all commercial vessels that arrive in the US on or after 2 April 2025, after visiting ports in Cuba (excluding US Naval Station Guantanamo Bay) as one of their last five ports of call. Therefore, effective immediately, actions required in paragraphs C and D of the above referenced advisory are required for vessels that arrive in the US after visiting ports in Cuba (excluding US Naval Station Guantanamo Bay).

Further details and a complete list of countries and ports subject to USCG conditions of entry have been published in US Port Security Advisory 1-25, located on the USCG [International Port Security Programs page](#), under the Port Security Advisory link.

Please be reminded that all ships submitting Advance Notice of Arrival with the US are also required to copy the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Maritime Administrator (the "Administrator") via email at NOA@register-iri.com. For additional information on measures to improve compliance in US ports, please refer to RMI Marine Notice [5-034-5](#).

Additional guidance relating to vessel security and areas where RMI-registered vessels are required to operate at a setting of Security Level 2 is posted on the [Maritime Security webpage](#).

Vessel owners and operators with questions regarding this guidance should contact the Administrator at marsec@register-iri.com.

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is evaluated annually by the Administrator and expires one year after its issuance or renewal unless otherwise noted, superseded, or revoked.