Circular on Implementation of ISPS Code requirement on Sailing Vessels.

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Subject: Circular on Implementation of ISPS Code requirement on Sailing Vessels.

- 1. The Director General of Shipping considers that sailing vessels need to comply with certain provisions of the International Ship and Port Facility Security Code.
- 2. All sailing vessels registered under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 in accordance with MS (Sailing Vessel) Rules, 1997 shall comply henceforth with the following directives:
- 2.1 Undertake a Ship Security Assessment (SSA) through a Recognized Security Organization (RS)) in order to develop a Ship Security Plan (SSP).
- 2.2 Each Sailing Vessel shall carry on board a Ship Security Plan developed by the Recognized Security Organization and approved by the Director General of Shipping.
- 2.3 Maintain a Continuous Synopsis Record (CSR) in the approved format (Annexure 1)
- 2.4 Maintain a Crew list in the approved format and make the same available to the concerned authorities on demand (Annexure 2).
- 2.5 Shall report its Expected arrival and departure times and dates to the Port Authorities of the port where the vessel is to arrive/depart at least 12 hours prior to arrival/departure. This information shall be communicated by means of VHF and positively by means of a document in the approved format (<u>Annexure 3</u>) through their owners/agents/managers/charterers.
- 2.6 Maintain an approved <u>ship log book</u> for recording all essential activities and preserving the logs for inspection by the concerned authorities.

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