



## TECHNICAL CIRCULAR No. 651 of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020

To	All Surveyors/Auditors. All flags
Title	<b>Unscheduled Inspections</b>
Reference	CONARINA - Instructions

### Unscheduled Inspections

#### Task

The unscheduled inspection is to include the equivalent of annual surveys for Safety Equipment, Safety Construction, International Oil Pollution Prevention and Annual Load Line Inspection. For the Safety Radio, the extent of the survey is to be a general examination only and no radio technician is required to attend unless the Surveyor suspects that the equipment is not working properly.

In general, the Unscheduled Inspection will not require any internal examination of the cargo holds/cargo tanks/ballast tanks unless deficiencies have been previously identified in these areas.

#### Special Instructions

If areas requiring prompt and thorough repairs are found during the USI, they must be addressed immediately. If deficiencies are identified, they should be addressed, within a specific period of time (next port) or longer depending upon their type and the attending Surveyor's comments.

#### If CONARINA issued the statutory certificates:

- If major deficiencies are found, they are to be handled in the usual manner and the FA is to be notified immediately through the CONARINA Head Office.
- Minor deficiencies are to be handled in the usual manner depending upon the FAs instructions.
- Duration of any short-term certificates is to be in accordance with the Flag Administration instructions or the CONARINA Head Office.

#### If CONARINA did not issue the statutory certificates:

- If major deficiencies are found and are not rectified, then the FA is to be notified. This notification is to take place as soon as possible in writing via the CONARINA Head Office. Preferably it should be prior to the vessel sailing but CONARINA cannot stop the vessel from sailing. The message to the FA should simply state that CONARINA conducted an unscheduled inspection of the vessel, the reason for the inspection and then list the major deficiencies that were found and not rectified at the time of the survey.

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- If minor deficiencies are found, the FA should also be notified.
  - CONARINA cannot take any action on a statutory certificate not issued by them.
- Where CONARINA did not issue the statutory certificates, any deficiencies found and not rectified are to be simply recorded as observations, specifying that the FA has been informed of the deficiencies.

REFERENCES:

- CONARINA – Instructions. Courtesy of ABS.
- ATTACHMENTS: No

Kindest Regards,

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