



STRENGTHENING SIRE

Inspections



The OCIMF enhanced vessel inspection programme will focus on improving and strengthening the vessel inspections themselves by implementing a number of initiatives:

Inspection request and validation

All inspection requests will be made through an OCIMF portal. Requests will be validated and compared with the programme's over-arching rules to ensure they meet OCIMF's requirements and a compliant and qualified inspector is nominated.

Pre-inspection preparation

The inspection template will be populated prior to the inspection with a series of information including:

- Vessel particulars.
- Certificates.
- Pre-inspection questionnaire.
- Past inspection observations.
- PSC data.
- Incident data.
- Relevant photographs and plans.

This information will be available to the inspector prior to boarding the vessel.

Risk-based vessel inspection questionnaire

A bespoke, risk-based vessel inspection questionnaire will be generated using bow-tie methodology. Questions will cover these four key areas:

Core

The minimum questions required to meet the members' fundamental risk assessment criteria.

Rotational

The questionnaire algorithm will ensure that all non-core questions are covered over a period of time and that each inspection template is designed for a defined duration.

Conditional

Specific questions based on the available data on the vessel, operator or ship-type.

Campaign

Area of specific focus from OCIMF and its membership requiring time-limited exposure.

Executing the inspection

All inspections will be carried out using a tablet device that is fully compliant for use onboard all types of vessel.

Use of the tablet will:

- Improve the overall quality of the inspection report and resulting marine assurance data.
- Facilitate the expanded inspection template and support the delivery of the four-tier question set.
- Provide photographic verification to support the findings.
- Allow GPS tracking, auto-logging of start and finish times, and auto-submission of inspection reports.

Each inspector will be given the opportunity to assess observations against grades of yes. When giving a non-compliant observation, the tablet will auto-open an editor that allows a granular assessment of the observations including a breakdown by equipment, procedures and human factors.

More information



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