



# Gibraltar Maritime Administration

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## Shipping Information Notice – 069

### COVID-19 – Periodical Verifications / Inspections

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To: Ship owners, Operators, Managers, DPA's

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Due to travel restrictions imposed by the Government of Gibraltar in relation to the outbreak and spread of COVID-19, Gibraltar Maritime Administration personnel will until further notice not be undertaking any non-essential overseas travel.

As a direct result of the above measures, periodical verifications / inspections in respect of those required by the ISM Code, ISPS Code, and, MLC 2006, will for the interim period at the request of owners / operators be delegated on a case by case basis to our Recognised Organisations (RO), and, Recognised Security Organisations (RSO) as applicable.

It has however been brought to the attention of the Administration, that despite the above interim measures, occasions (though minimal) have arisen whereby the assigned RO/RSO are unable to attend due to similar COVID-19 related restrictions. In respect of any such occasions, the Administration will request the RO / RSO to inform the Administration of such occurrences, with a view to mitigate the circumstances.

Depending on the individual circumstances, the Administration may consider the issuance of a letter whereby in the case of intermediate verifications / inspections, authorization for the attendance to be conducted outside the permissible window is issued, and in the case of the imminent expiry of applicable certification, an extension of the expiry date by virtue of a letter is applied.

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