

Certain Class IV vessels subject to plan approval, survey and issued with Certificate of Survey before 2 January 2008

BACKGROUND

1. The Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Safety and Survey) Regulation (Cap. 548G) has come into operation from 2 January 2007. Section 3(2) of Schedule 8 of the said Regulation stipulates that after one-year transitional period, Class IV vessel (i.e. pleasure vessel) falls into any one of the descriptions below is required to undergo plan approval, survey and issue with Certificate of Survey:

- (a) licensed to carry more than 60 passengers;
- (b) of more than 150 gross tonnage; or
- (c) of novel construction.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

2. The procedures leading to issue Certificate of Survey are:

- (a) to submit “general arrangement” and “safety plan”, in three copies, together with “Form Surveys 6B” and prescribed fees, to Local Vessels Safety Section for approval (further information may be required if necessary);
- (b) to arrange the vessel for survey;
- (c) upon satisfactory plan approval and ship survey, Certificate of Survey will be issued by Marine Department (MD) for the vessel.

CHARGES

3. Fees will be charged in accordance with the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Fees) Regulation (Cap 548J). The charges are extracted for easy reference:

Passenger number	Charge for plan approval	Charge for ship survey
not more than 60	HK\$ 1,115 for each hour	HK\$ 2,200
between 61 and 100	HK\$ 19,150 for one vessel	HK\$ 2,850
between 101 & 500	HK\$ 27,050 for one vessel	HK\$ 4,950

ACTION

4. According to MD’s file record, 19 vessels (Annex A) are identified belonging to one of the above descriptions in paragraph 1 and another 33 (Annex B) are of 150 gross tonnage marginal.

5. MD dispatched two sets of letter separately, one for the said 19 vessels to request for undergoing application procedures, and another letter for the mentioned 33 vessels asking for tonnage verification documents.

REQUEST

6. Members are invited to note the progress and provide assistance to the industry if necessary.

19 vessels are identified falling into
(a) licensed to carry more than 60 passengers;
(b) of more than 150 gross tonnage; or
(c) of novel construction.

Certificate of Ownership No.	Vessel Name
32956	HELENA
30806	PEARL ORIENTAL
32746	GRAND CRU
13689	-
31336	AQUAMARINE I
M480	THE VENEZIA
24986	NOBLE MARINA
20726	SNOW WHITE
16286	CORAL SEA
20376	PRINCE HAINAN
18006	VAN TRIUMPH
20516	NEW CHINA HONG KONG
28786	AMANTE
33076	DOUBLE BAY
13689	-
27186	HAPPY SEA LODGE
36036	LADY CANDY
34276	MA MAMIA
23476	VICTORIANA

33 vessels are of 150 gross tonnage marginal

Certificate of Ownership No.	Vessel Name
34116	JADE BAY 2
30596	---
28386	AKAI
27566	ANNA
6376	ANNA
2946	ATHENE
35696	BERTHA
610	BIG CAT 20
38076	CARBOGY
31246	DOUBLE BAY
9355	FERAL
640	FRANCESCA
31556	FUN
6906	GETAWAY II
32876	GOLDEN TIMES
7036	HAARBOR MARINE
5366	HAPPY
1280	LADY MALAYA
34886	LISA
33746	LUCIANA
32266	M M BASE
35426	NASA ENTERPRISE
27026	---
22706	---
32326	---
32616	---
35996	---
39296	---
25476	SHANTI
32076	SUN PRINCE
7296	VAGABOND LADY
17366	WAYFARER
23456	ZEABREEZE II