



DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

Long-Range Identification and Tracking of Ships "Conformance Test Report"

The purpose of this MSN is to provide our Owners, Operators and Managers with information and guidance on the requirements for testing shipborne equipment for compliance with the "Long-Range Identification and Tracking of Ships Regulations" (LRIT).

On completion of successful testing each ship shall be issued with a "Conformance Test Report"

Documents referred to in this notice: MSC.202(81), MSC.264(84), MSC.211 MSC.1/Circ.1256 & 1257

Most regulations and notices are available on the Isle of Man Government web site: <http://www.gov.im/dti/shipping> or by contacting marine.survey@gov.im

Introduction

The International Maritime Organisation (IMO) Maritime Safety Committee at its 81st session on the 19 May 2006 adopted Resolution MSC.202 (81), Resolution MSC.210 (81) and Resolution MSC.211 (81). The following new regulation has been inserted in SOLAS Chapter V, Safety of Navigation "Regulation 19-1, Long-Range Identification and Tracking of Ships".

Regulation 19-1, entered into force on the 1st January 2008 and applies to ships engaged on International Voyages, passenger ships and cargo ships of 300 gross tonnage and above (including Commercial Yachts) and Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODUs).

The subject vessels must be fully compliant by the 1st Radio Survey after 1 January 2009.

The Isle of Man Ship Registry's intention is to have all Isle of Man vessels (>300GT) fully compliant with LRIT by 31 December 2008, ahead of the deadline set by IMO.

Action taken by the Isle of Man Ship Registry

The Isle of Man Ship Registry has contracted with Pole Star Space Applications Limited for the provision of a dedicated 'National Data Centre' for the Long-Range Identification and Tracking, of vessels registered in the Isle of Man.

The Isle of Man Ship Registry in compliance with MSC.1/Circ.1256 and MSC Circ 264(84) has made the following appointments:

Recognised Application Service Provider (ASP)

Pole Star Space Applications Limited has been appointed as the Isle of Man Ship Registry's recognised ASP and as such shall provide services to the Isle of Man National Data Centre. The Appointment of Pole Star Space Applications Limited as a recognised ASP is attached in Appendix 2.

Authorised Testing Application Service Providers (ASP)

A list of authorised testing ASP(s) is attached in appendix 3. This will be updated on our website www.iomshipregistry.com as new authorisations are granted.

What happens now?

1. Owners or Technical Managers are to ensure provision of compliant shipborne equipment, capable of transmitting LRIT information.
2. Owners or Technical Managers should contact either our recognised ASP (Appendix 2) or an authorised testing ASP (Appendix 3) to have a **Conformance Test** (MSC.1/Circ.1257) completed for all their Isle of Man registered vessels.
3. Pole Star Space Applications Limited or the authorised testing ASP will then issue a **Conformance Test Report** to the vessel. These will contain the same information and look similar to the IMO model format set out in Appendix 1.
4. Pole Star Space Applications will activate each vessel as 'live' in the Isle of Man LRIT National Data Centre upon completion of testing by themselves or upon receipt of a Conformance Test Report issued by an authorised testing ASP.

Important Note

The majority of ships/yachts/MODUs which have to comply are already fitted with Inmarsat C equipment. However some of these terminals will not meet the required conformance standard for a number of technical, physical and operational reasons.

Near the implementation date, LRIT compliant Inmarsat C equipment may well be in great demand and priced accordingly. With this in mind Owners, Managers and Operators are advised to get their existing terminals conformance tested as early as possible.

Isle of Man Ship Registry
June 2008

Please note - The Isle of Man Ship Registry cannot give Legal Advice. Where this document provides guidance on the law it should not be regarded as definitive. The way the law applies to any particular case can vary according to circumstances - for example, from vessel to vessel. You should consider seeking independent legal advice if you are unsure of your own legal position.

Appendix 1

Conformance test report

issued by

on behalf of the Government of

Name of ship:	
Port of registry:	
Distinctive number or letters:	
IMO Number:	
Maritime Mobile Service Identity:	
Gross tonnage:	
Sea areas in which the ship is certified to operate:	
Date of last survey of the radio installation:	
Application Service Provider conducting the test:	

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that a conformance test has been conducted in accordance with the provisions of MSC.1/Circ..... on Guidance on the survey and certification of compliance of ships with the requirement to transmit LRIT information and the shipborne equipment specified below has been:

- .1 found to perform within the tolerances of the acceptance criteria stated in the aforesaid circular; and
- .2 set, at the end of the conformance test to transmit LRIT information at hour interval.

Details of the shipborne equipment used to transmit LRIT information (e.g., maker model, serial number and shipborne equipment identifier):

The results of the conformance test are recorded in the attached annex.

The conformance test was satisfactorily completed on
(date of completion of testing)

Issued at on
(place of issue) (date of issue)

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(name and signature of authorized person issuing the report)

Appendix 2



Recognised Application Service Provider (ASP) Appointment

In accordance with SOLAS V/19-1 Long-Range Identification and Tracking regulations, Pole Star Space Applications Limited has been appointed as a recognised ASP on behalf of the Isle of Man Government. The recognised ASP hereby has full authority to undertake shipborne equipment testing and subsequent issuance of a Conformance Test Report as detailed in MSC.1/Circ. 1257

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Signed By

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R E Welsh
Director / Chief Marine Surveyor

Date

29 May 2008



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Appendix 3



Authorised Testing Application Service Provider (ASP) Appointment

In accordance with SOLAS V/19-1 Long-Range Identification and Tracking regulations, Transas Telematics Limited has been appointed as an authorised testing ASP on behalf of the Isle of Man Government. The authorised testing ASP hereby has full authority to undertake shipborne equipment testing and subsequent issuance of a Conformance Test Report as detailed in MSC.1/Circ. 1257

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Signed By

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Director / Chief Marine Surveyor

Date

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