

MORMUGAO PORT TRUST

MARINE DEPARTMENT

DC/S-21/2006/55

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HARBOUR NOTICE No. 16 / 2006

Sub: Insurance cover for vessels entering port

Further to Harbour Notice No.20/2005, all concerned are reminded about the implementation of The Gazette of India Notification No.403 dated September 20, 2005 which lays down rules to regulate the entry of vessels into Ports, which is reproduced hereunder:

“ G.S.R. 600(E) – In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 6 of the Indian Ports Act, 1908 (15 of 1908), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules to regulate the entry of vessels into Ports, namely:

1. (1) These Rules may be called the Entry of Vessels into Ports Rules, 2005
 - (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. Insurance Cover:–

Owner of a vessel entering a Port shall have to produce an insurance cover for compensation in relation to :-

- (i) Wreck removal expenses;
- (ii) Pollution damage caused by spillage of oil or any hazardous and noxious substances;

From a Protection and Indemnity Club which is a member of an International Group of Protection and Indemnity Club or a Club duly approved by the Central Government.

3. The vessel which fails to produce the insurance cover referred to in rule 2 shall not be allowed to enter the Port:

Provided that the provisions of these rules shall not be applicable to a non Safety of Life At Sea (SOLAS) Convention Vessels if the owner of the vessel furnishes an undertaking for compensation to the port in connection with expenses which port may incur on removal of wreck and pollution damages caused.

4. Explanation:

Non Safety of Life At Sea (SOLAS) ships means a cargo ship with less than 500 Gross Tonnage (GT) and includes a ship engaged on domestic voyage, a domestic passenger ship and other small ship being used as fishing vessel and tug.”

Agents and other port users may kindly take note that all vessels arriving at the port of Mormugao must have P&I cover for wreck removal expenses and pollution damage from P&I Club which is a member of the International Group of P&I Clubs or a Club duly approved by the Central Govt.

The above mentioned regulations are being strictly implemented at our port under the directives of the Central Government and therefore, it may please be noted that there can be no exemptions.

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To:

All concerned.

