



Measures to Enhance Maritime Security

Merchant Shipping Notice No 62

*Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators and Managers,
Owners' representatives and Masters, and Officers*

The Directorate would like to draw the attention of all concerned that henceforth all Malta flag ships to which Chapter XI-2 of the 1974 International Convention on the Safety of Life at Sea, as amended, applies, are required to act upon the security levels as set by this Administration.

As from the 1st July 2004 all ships operating under the Malta flag are to maintain security level 1 as defined in section A/2.1.8 of the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code.

This notice does not preclude the master to adopt additional security measures as outlined in the ship security plan as and when deemed necessary. The master has the overriding authority and responsibility to make decisions with respect to the safety and security of the ship.

Changes in security levels applicable to all, or to a particular class of, Malta flag ships will be announced through the publication of a Merchant Shipping Notice.

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