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SOLAS Emergency Towing Procedure Manual (ETPM)

Background

Adopted on the 16th May 2008, MSC 256 (84) provides for amendments to SOLAS (Solas1974, as amended) Chapter II-1 Regulation 3-4. All ships will be required, as per specific application dates, to carry on board a ship specific emergency towing procedure manual.

Policy

The **Antigua and Barbuda Administration**, while fully supporting this amendment **does not** require this manual to be approved and stamped by, or on behalf of, the Administration.

However we do require the following;

- Vessels over 100 metres (LOA) are required to carry on board three ETPM's, one at each of the following locations;
 - a) Navigation Bridge.
 - b) Cargo office /control room.
 - c) Forecastle space.
- 2) Vessels 100 metres (LOA) or under may dispense with the forecastle space copy and carry only the Navigation Bridge and cargo office/control room copies.
 - 3) The manual should be part of the ISM system under emergency preparedness.
 - 4) The manual should be audited under both internal and external Audits of the SMS.

If further clarity is required please contact the ADOMS Technical Department in St John's

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