

Subject:

Special requirements for emergency escape breathing device regarding Belize and Panama flagged vessels

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To whom it may concern

The Belize Government and Panamanian Government have notified ClassNK of special requirements for emergency escape breathing device on board the Belize, Panama flagged vessels as follows:

Belize

1. The number of EEBDs to be carried within machinery spaces should be not less than the total number of persons during watch.
2. A minimum of two devices should be carried in the engine room of ships provided with Unattended Machinery Spaces.
3. In addition to any spare designated for accommodation spaces, a spare EEBD solely for the machinery space should be carried onboard.

Panama

1. The number of EEBDs in machinery spaces should be the maximum number of persons working during a normal day of operation, but the maximum number will not exceed six devices.
2. At least two sets of spare EEBDs should be provided in accommodation spaces (navigation bridge, fire control station and storage room). Regardless of the requirements specified in SOLAS as amended in 2000, this is applicable to existing ships also.

For any questions about the above, please contact:

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