

Subject:

Fire Extinguishers and Spare Fire
Extinguishers/Spare Charges for
Liberian/Panamanian Flag Ships

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You should please be informed, by this circular, that the Liberian and Panamanian Governments have their own requirements relating to fire extinguishers and spare fire extinguishers/spare charges for their ships. Their requirements are shown below:

1. Liberian flag ships

All Liberian flag ships, regardless of their dates of construction, should be provided with the following number of spare fire extinguishers.

- (1) One spare fire extinguisher for every ten or part of ten fire extinguishers required. No spare charges are required to be provided. Sufficient quantity of spare charges to provide is the responsibility of the shipmaster/owners.

2. Panamanian flag ships

Panamanian flag Ro-Ro ships, built on and after 1 September 1984, should carry in their Ro-Ro cargo spaces, the following number/quantity of portable fire extinguishers/spare charges:

- (1) Portable fire extinguishers suitable for fighting oil fires at each car deck level in each cargo hold or compartment where vehicles are carried, spaced not more than 20 M apart on both sides of the ship.
- (2) Spare charges for 50 percent of the required number of the portable fire extinguishers for the a.m. spaces or 15 portable fire extinguishers, whichever is the smaller.

The Surveyor will ascertain compliance with the a.m. requirements at the forthcoming SE periodical surveys.

