



NIGERIAN MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AND SAFETY AGENCY (NIMASA)

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MARINE NOTICE

TO: PORT FACILITY SECURITY OFFICERS (PFSOS), PORT OPERATORS, COMPANY SECURITY OFFICERS (CSOS), SHIP CAPTAINS, INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES (IOCS), SHIPPING COMPANIES, SHIP OPERATORS, SHIP SECURITY OFFICERS (SSOS), SHIPPING AGENTS, MARITIME STAKEHOLDERS, AND THE PUBLIC.

MARITIME SECURITY ADVISORY CONCERNING SECURITY THREATS AND STOWAWAYS IN OUR MARITIME DOMAIN

Pursuant to the Agency's statutory mandate to provide maritime security and ensure the implementation of special measures that enhance maritime security in line with **Regulation 1 & 18, ISPS Code Implementation Regulations (ICIR) 2014, NOTICE** is hereby given as follows:

1. That all Ship Captains are required to complete and submit the Security-Related Pre-Arrival Information (SRPAI) form to the ISPS Unit email, isps@nimasa.gov.ng, not later than forty eight (48) hours prior to the ship's arrival at the port facility in Nigeria. **[Regulation 17(k) & 51(2), ICIR 2014]**
2. That all Ship Captains are required to exchange the Declaration of Security (DoS) via email with the Port Facility Security Officer (PFSO) of their next port of call not later than seventy two (72) hours prior to the ship's arrival at that port facility. **[Regulation 27, ICIR 2014]**
3. That all PFSOs are required to submit the above completed DoS to the ISPS Unit email, isps@nimasa.gov.ng, not later than forty eight (48) hours prior to the ship's arrival at the port facility. **[Regulation 27, ICIR 2014]**
4. That while all ships are required to be able to maintain internal lighting and that of its immediate surroundings, Ship Captains are advised to consider the following procedures **[Regulation 46(5 & 6), ICIR 2014]**:
 - i. Only navigational lights should be exhibited and remain switched on at night. **[Regulation 46(5 & 6) & 52(4), ICIR 2014]**
 - ii. Search lights and over side lighting should be fitted and ready for immediate use in the event of any suspicious activity at night. **[Regulation 46(5 & 6), ICIR 2014]**
5. That all ships are required to be vigilant and maintain twenty four (24) hours surveillance and watchkeeping including at night and during poor visibility periods as small boats/skiffs may not be captured by radar. **[Regulation 46(7), ICIR 2014]**
6. That all ships are required to ensure that proper procedures are strictly followed for boarding and disembarking the ship as prescribed in their Ship Security Plans (SSPs). **[Regulation 50(5), ICIR 2014]**
7. That prior to departure from any port facility all ships should in conjunction with the security personnel from the port facility conduct a pre-departure search of the ship and complete the pre-departure form; **[Regulation 50(4), ICIR 2014]**
8. That all ships are required to ensure that their Automatic Identification Systems (AIS) are switched on at all times. There is no need to complete the last or next port of call in the AIS as long as the Security-Related Pre-Arrival Information (SRPAI) has been sent to NIMASA prior to the ships arrival. In the event the ship perceives the need to switch off its AIS, NIMASA must be contacted immediately by either the Ship Captain, CSO or Administration providing details of the circumstances. **[Regulation 48, ICIR 2014]**
9. That all ships closely monitor all communication channels and ensure they answer any VHF call from the Nigerian Navy or the Regional Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (RMRCC). **[Regulation 46(9), ICIR 2014]**
10. That all ships should quickly execute emergency procedures in the SSP in the event of any security emergency and contact the RMRCC Lagos via the following:
 - i. Radio Channel: VHF 16 & DSC 70
 - ii. Phone: 0803 068 5167 (NIMASA SAR Emergency Number) **[Regulation 25, ICIR 2014]**
11. That all ships are required to send a report of any incident to the ISPS Unit email, isps@nimasa.gov.ng. **[Regulation 42(h) & 52(1), ICIR 2014]**
12. That failure to comply with this notice shall attract the appropriate sanction in line with the provisions of **Regulation 78 & 79, ISPS Code Implementation Regulations (ICIR) 2014.**

For further information or clarification, please contact:
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