



NIUE SHIP REGISTRY

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REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION OF MARINE CASUALTIES AND INCIDENTS (Circular NMC4.2018 (rev0))

PURPOSE: Provide the reporting requirements and criteria of investigation of marine casualties and incidents.

RELATED DOCUMENTS:

1. IMO Casualty Investigation Code
2. Niue reporting Form NPI
3. Niue reporting Form NRC

DEFINITIONS:

The term "Administration" shall mean the Niue Ship Registry, and "Vessel" shall mean any vessel flagged under Niue.

APPLICATION:

This marine circular applies to all Niue-flagged vessels.

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A. PRELIMINARY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

1. The Administration shall be notified, at the earliest convenience, but not exceeding 96 hours, whenever any of the following events have occurred in connection with the operations of a vessel:
 - 1.1. the death of person, or serious injury causing a person to be unable to function normally for more than 72 hours;
 - 1.2. the loss of a person from a vessel;
 - 1.3. the loss, presumed loss or abandonment of a vessel;
 - 1.4. material damage to a vessel;
 - 1.5. the stranding or disabling of a vessel, or the involvement of a vessel in a collision;
 - 1.6. material damage to marine infrastructure external to a vessel, that could seriously endanger the safety of the vessel, another vessel or a person; or
 - 1.7. severe damage to the environment, or the potential for severe damage to the environment, brought about by the damage of a vessel or vessels.
2. A preliminary notification should contain information pertaining to the following items to allow the Administration to assess the status of the marine casualty or incident and to render assistance if required:
 - 2.1. status on the safety of the seafarers (e.g. Coastal State notified to provide search and rescue) and vessel (e.g. salvage arrangements);

- 2.2. pollution or damage caused to the marine environment;
 - 2.3. medical assistance rendered for seafarers; and
 - 2.4. any relevant information that may assist in the mitigation of the effects from the marine casualty or incident.
3. The preliminary notification should not be delayed due to lack of complete information and should be completed as far as practicable.
 4. The preliminary notification shall be made via email to the Administration at: info@niueship.com

B. FORMAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

1. Within 72 hours of the preliminary notification, the following reporting forms shall be submitted to the Administration:
 - 1.1. Form NPI – Report of Personal Injury or Loss of Life form; and / or
 - 1.2. Form NRC – Report of a Marine Casualty form
2. Updates relating to the marine casualty and incident shall be made available to the Administration at the earliest convenience.

C. INVESTIGATIONS

1. The Administration shall review the information submitted, and where necessary, help ensure the safety of the persons and vessels involved and prevent or minimise the impact of pollution and damage to the environment.
2. Investigations shall be carried out for the occurrences mentioned in Section A.1 of this marine circular, and shall be done in accordance to the IMO Casualty Investigation Code.
3. The Administration seeks the cooperation from all concerned parties to mitigate the effects of the casualty and to investigate into the contributing factor of the casualty and provide recommendations to prevent future occurrence.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Registry at technical@niueship.com or call: +65 6226-2001 for clarification.