



MINISTRY OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT

Maritime Services Division

SHIPPING NOTICE

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REPORTING SYSTEM ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND FUEL CONSUMPTION DATA COLLECTION

Notice to Ship Owners, Operators, Masters, Crew, Ports, Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard, Trinidad and Tobago Pilots' Association, Shipping Association, Seamen and Waterfront Workers Trade Union, Yachting Association.

Summary

The Ministry of Works and Transport, Maritime Services Division (Harbour Master) wishes to advise the shipping community that with effect from 1st June 2017 agents acting on behalf of the ship owners/ masters are required to report on the energy efficiency of the vessels they represent.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Maritime Services Division (MSD), is a specialised executive arm of Ministry of Works and Transport Trinidad and Tobago, established to administer the National Shipping and Maritime framework. The MSD is also responsible for implementing regulatory functions embodied in the legislation with the intent of ensuring safety and security of life at sea, navigation and protection of the marine environment.

In keeping with Trinidad and Tobago's obligations under the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978 (MARPOL Convention), the MSD requires data on energy efficiency measures and fuel consumption. The data collected will assist in capturing Green House Gas (GHG) emissions and the use of energy efficient technology on-board vessels. The ultimate objective of the convention is to achieve a reduction of GHG emissions from ships.

2. REPORTING SYSTEM

Under the International Maritime Organisation's (IMO) Global MTCC Network (GMN) project, the Maritime Technology Cooperation Centre Caribbean (MTCC Caribbean) is established in Trinidad and Tobago. The MSD as the technical focal point and compliance authority for the IMO, requires ships arriving and operating within Trinidad and Tobago waters to comply with the reporting system established for the purpose of energy efficiency and fuel consumption data collection.

Effective Date: The reporting as mentioned in this notice is mandatory from 1st June, 2017.

Application: Ships of 400 GRT and above are required to complete and submit the MTCC Caribbean Reporting Form on arrival. Vessels smaller than 400 GRT are encouraged to participate in reporting system.

Reporting Arrangements: The reporting form is in excel format and available for download on the TTBizLink website at (www.ttbizlink.gov.tt). The transmission of the reporting form will be through the e-Maritime Services Module on TTBizLink. Agents are to upload it as a supporting document when completing the vessel's arrival declaration.

Responsibility for Reporting: The ship's master, or a person authorised by him/her (i.e. a ship's agent), is responsible for completing the report and ensure that reported information is correct. The shipping agent usually will upload the report on behalf of the master through TTBizLink.

Timing of Reporting: Ship-owners, Operators and Masters of vessels required to report under this system must submit the required information without delay **on arrival** and, if necessary, when leaving the ports within Trinidad and Tobago. A ship may be required to provide additional reports or information to update or modify an earlier report. If a technical failure prevents a ship from reporting using electronic means, the Master should provide such information on arrival through services of appointed agents.

Formats of Reporting: Users must only use the Excel forms available via the SEW to input data. Further instructions on how to complete the forms are available on the SEW website. No other format of the reporting form will be accepted. Please do not use forms from any other source other than the SEW website.

Non-Compliance: Failure to comply with this reporting requirement can lead to delays in the granting of departure clearance from MSD.

Further information can be obtained from:-

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