

REGULATORY AND REGIONAL UPDATES

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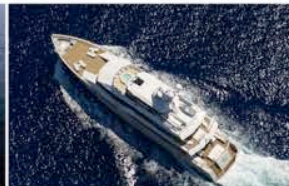
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BALLAST WATER MANAGEMENT (BWM) CONVENTION UPDATE

- Morocco, Indonesia, and Ghana ratifications in November 2015 have brought the BWM Convention ever closer to meeting the requirements for entry into force
- **47 countries** have now ratified the BWM Convention (30 required)
- At the moment, **34.56%** of the tonnage requirement of the world's fleet has been met (35% required)
- Currently the International Maritime Organization (IMO) proceeds with review of the type approval guidelines
- The tonnage data is normally provided to the IMO twice each year, **31 December** and **30 June** for determining IMO Member States' financial assessments



BWM CONVENTION UPDATE (continued)

- Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) (April 2016) will prepare amendments to the BWM Convention regulations
- Revised implementation schedule per Resolution A.1088(28) – December 2015 (*this is little more than a gentlemen's agreement*)
- Around 65 treatment systems already gained a final approval by an Administration being party to the BWM Convention



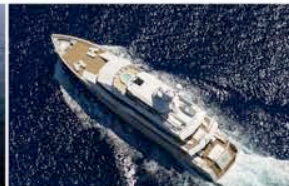
LAST MINUTE INFORMATION

- Panama has **begun** the accession process.
- With Panama's formal agreement, the BWM Convention will definitely enter into force internationally after 12 months, likely in 2017, depending on what is determined by the IMO



UNITED STATES (US) COAST GUARD (USCG) UPDATES

- US requirements for BWM systems with their own Type Approval protocol (includes D-2 Ballast Water Performance Standards)
- 55 Alternate Management Systems (AMS) accepted by the USCG
- No system has achieved US Type Approval yet
- A ship operator may gain an extension to fit a treatment system until next dry-dock (with direct application with supportive documentation)
- Availability of AMS at <https://homeport.uscg.mil>



LAY-UP PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS



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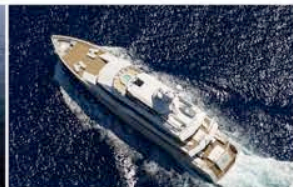
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- Warm Lay-Up
- Cold Lay-Up



TWO (2) DIFFERENT TERMS / STATUSES (continued)

- ~~Warm Lay-Up~~
- **Cold Lay-Up** ➔ **Official Lay-Up Status**
 - Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Maritime Administrator's (the "Administrator's") Lay-Up of Vessels (Marine Guideline I-II-I)
 - Notification to the Administrator
 - Lay-up surveys (Classification Society)
 - Re-activation surveys, etc.
 - Ship's Classification Society may have additional requirements



MINIMUM SAFE MANNING CERTIFICATE (MSMC) REQUIREMENTS

- An MSMC is not applicable while vessel in anchorage or berth
- An MSMC is not applicable while vessel is under official lay-up status
- The operator should ensure adequate manning for the safety and security of the ship
- Local port requirements, if any



RESCUE OPERATIONS



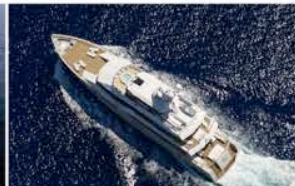
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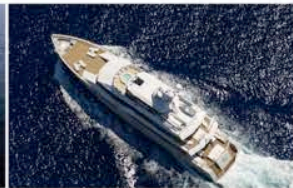
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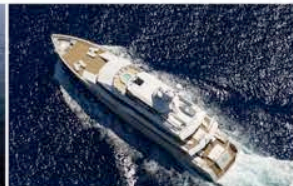
- 220 people in total
- 16 children
- 40 women



STATISTICS

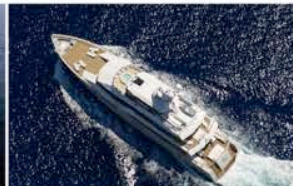
In 2015:

- Total of 16 rescue operations
- Six (6) cases with immigrants in the Mediterranean Sea
- Ten (10) with recreational boats / yachts / fishing vessels



THE ADMINISTRATOR'S PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENT

- Initial notification to the flag
- Proposed course of actions
- Ship's intended course, port of refuge
- Constant follow-up and updates
- Certificate of Commendation (award)



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