



## MARINE NOTICE No. 23 of 2006

### Application of ISPS Code to Irish Registered Vessels

#### NOTICE TO:

*Ship Owners, Operators, Company Security Officers, Ship Masters,  
& Ship Security Officers of Irish Registered Ships.*

*Recognised Security Organisations appointed to act on behalf of the  
Government of Ireland*

### Instructions on approvals of Vessel Security Plan Amendments

#### ISPS Code Part A 9.5

In accordance with Part A section 9.5 of the International Ship & Port Security Code (ISPS Code) relating to the amendment of ship security plans, **any** amendments to a vessel's security plan may not be implemented until it has been approved by either the Administration or the relevant approved Recognised Security Organisation appointed to act on its behalf.

### Instructions on period of retention of ISPS related documentation

#### ISPS Code Part A sect. 10.1

Records for the following activities addressed in the ship security plan shall be kept onboard for a period of at least **five years**.

1. Training and Drills;
2. Security threats and security incidents;
3. Breaches of security;
4. Changes of security level;
5. Communications relating to the direct security of the ship such as specific threats to the ship or to port facilities the ship is or has been in;
6. Internal audits and periodic reviews of security activity;
7. Periodic review of the ship security assessment;
8. Periodic review of the ship security plan;
9. Implementation of any amendments to the Plan;
10. Maintenance calibrations and testing of any security equipment provided on board, including testing of the ship security alert system;

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