

<i>ClassNK PSC Bulletin</i>	Date:	16 December 2015
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Title:	Reporting to the Port State about a discovered defect before entering the port	
Typical deficiency (outline of comment) by PSC:	<p>During PSC inspection, a defect that was not reported to the Port State beforehand was pointed out as a detainable deficiency.</p>	
Port State	Countries: Australia, USA	Port: All ports
Action taken by PSC:	Detention / Rectify before Departure / Others (_____)	
Description:	<p>In accordance with SOLAS I/Reg.11(c), whenever an accident occurs to a ship or a defect is discovered, either of which affects the safety of the ship or the efficiency or completeness of its life-saving appliances or other equipment, the master or owner of the ship is to report the matter as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The matter is to be reported to the Administration (i.e. Flag State), the nominated surveyor, or the recognized organization (i.e. RO) responsible for issuing the relevant certificate at the earliest opportunity; and 2) <u>In case the ship intends to enter a port of another Contracting Government, the above accident and/or defect is to be reported immediately to the appropriate authorities of the Port State.</u> <p>Each authority manages the above item 2) differently. AMSA and USCG have their own regulations and deal with such reporting strictly. If the PSC officer finds a defect relating to a statutory requirement that was not reported to the Port State beforehand by the master or owner of the ship, the ship may be detained.</p> <p><Required actions></p> <p>In cases where any accident occurs or defective equipment is discovered relating to any statutory requirement on a voyage, please make sure that the master or owner of the ship reports the matter to the Flag State or recognized organization (RO) AS WELL AS to the Port State, especially AMSA and USCG, before entering port. Please be advised that new editions of PSC Bulletin will be issued upon receipt of similar information requiring particular attention by other Port States.</p> <p>The respective applicable AMSA and USCG regulations are as listed below for your convenience. Please refer to each authority's website for further details.</p> <p>AMSA: Sections 185 and 186 of the Navigation Act 2012, etc. (http://amsa.gov.au/vessels/ship-safety/incident-reporting)</p> <p>USCG: Title 33 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Subpart 164.53 (http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=16a3f126c4a6f832d155762e88d9c0be&mc=true&node=se33.2.164_153&rgn=div8)</p>	